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Paddox Primary Newsletter 9 December  
2022

It's been another busy week in school - plenty of learning, sports competitions and festive activities are now underway.



1 - Wednesday was **School Christmas Dinner** day. More than 500 children enjoyed the traditional meal - a great way to start the festivities!



2 - **KS2 Choir** have blown us away with their beautiful singing at the recent Christmas concerts. On Saturday 3 December, they performed alongside a live orchestra and adult choir in the Manchester Carols. They then performed at the Big Sing on Wednesday, where they sang their hearts out and did Paddox proud!

Join us for more wiggling and jazz hands on Sunday 18 December, 1:30pm at Rugby United Reformed Church. We will be singing in a family carol service and Nativity. Not to be missed!



3 - On Wednesday morning, **year 3** thoroughly enjoyed their walk around the local area as part of their current **Geography focus 'Map it Out'**. Through careful observations and working collaboratively, they were able to identify the diverse ways that land is used and record this information on their maps using symbols that they designed themselves. What a busy morning!





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**4 - Year of Humanities Competition:** Thank you for all of the entries for our sticker competition. We had so many wonderful designs to choose from but after many conversations, the winning entry for KS1 is Sreenidhi, Year 1 and for KS2 is Jessica, Year 3. Well done to both! Miss Key and Mr Goodbody can't wait to start using these and hopefully you will see them in books soon!

## PE Update from Mrs Knight



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**5 - Our fabulous year 6 team participated in a Sportshall competition on Tuesday last week. They all worked really hard to train for the event and absolutely smashed it, winning their heat by a clear 20 points against tough competition in Dunchurch! Again, the children showed incredible talent, skill and team work throughout! Thank you to Mr Hickling and Mrs York for supporting this fantastic event! We have recently been told that Paddox won the whole competition and now progress to the level 3 competition next year! Better get back to training!**



*6 - Another win for Paddox! Year 4 children attended a Sportshall competition on Tuesday. There were some incredibly speedy performances and brilliant encouragement from the team. They ran, jumped, bounced and threw their way to first place in their heat! We are yet to see if they have won overall and are the best school in Eastern Warwickshire! What a talented bunch of children we have at Paddox!*



*7 - Eight year 5 children attended a dodgeball competition last Wednesday at Houlton school. The scoring rules were very different in that they had to score points for their team work, honesty and respect, judged by the other teams. They had a fantastic time and loved the experience. Thank you once again to the Bonnetts for supporting this event.*

## Dates for your diary



- **Reception Nativity:** Tuesday 13 and Wednesday 14 December
- **Christmas Parties:** Thursday 15 December
- **Whole school carols:** Friday 16 December

As next week is the last week of term, **all** afterschool teacher-led clubs have now finished for the Autumn Term. We'd like to extend our thanks to Rugby Rotary for their support in running Rotakids this term.

**Christmas Holiday:** Monday 19 December to Tuesday 3 January inclusive (including Teacher Training Day) - children return to school on Wednesday 4 January 2022

## Important Reminders

**Nut Free and Sesame Seed Free Zone:** Paddox is a NUT FREE and SESAME SEED FREE ZONE. We have an increasing number of children with severe allergies to nuts and sesame seeds so we do not allow these items in school at all. This includes nut based spreads like peanut butter and Nutella and Nutella snacks.

Please make sure that your child is not bringing nut based products or sesame seeds to school in their lunch boxes.

**Healthy School:** We are striving to be a healthy school. Please ensure that any snacks brought into school are in keeping with this aim. We are seeing an increase in the number of chocolate bars and crisps that children are bringing in to school.

**Lateness:** If your child has an appointment and will be late into school, please remember to notify the class teacher and the school office (admin2625@welearn365.com<sup>1</sup>) and also confirm the colour choice for their cooked meal. We need this to happen before 9:30am on the day.

**Lost Property:** Please can you make sure that ALL items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name and class. LARRY is very full of unnamed lost property which we can't return to rightful owners! LARRY is wheeled out to the playground by the year 6 doors every Friday morning and afterschool (weather permitting). Please check to see if any items belong to your children.

**Drive way:** A gentle reminder that if you are collecting your child from an after school club, you must park away from the school and walk down the pedestrian path. The electric drive gates will now be closed between 3:30pm and 4:30pm, however the pedestrian gates will be open until 6:00pm. Thank you for your support with this.

**Contact Details:** Please make sure your contact details - telephone numbers, email addresses and postal addresses - are kept up to date with school. You can amend your own details by using the app SIMS Parent Lite, emailing admin2625@welearn365.com<sup>2</sup> or popping into the school office.

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