











Brede Bulletin

9th December 2022

Dear parents and carers,
 Christmas has arrived at Brede Primary this week. The children had great fun making your gifts. I'm sure you were as impressed as me with their creativity. Thank you to all those who came along to the Christmas fair and supported the children's charity, World Vision, and the PTFA fundraising. It was lovely to see the school full of smiling faces and happy chatter once again. We have a host of celebrations happening next week, so please check the dates and times at the end of the bulletin. We hope to see you all there.
Mrs Knock

	<p><u>Star of the Week</u> Congratulations to our stars of the week who are celebrated for being a shining example: Owls: Evie P for always being a shining, positive member of Owls. Foxes: Harry O for always setting a shining example to others. Rabbits: Harriet W for being a shining star both in the classroom and on the playground. Hedgehogs: Stanley F for shining like a star during Hedgehogs' nativity rehearsals.</p>
	<p><u>Readers of the Week</u> Congratulations to our readers of the week: Owls: Maci G and Evelynn Foxes: Poppy B, Caroline F, Daisy S, Oliver H, Poppy-Jayne M, Harry O and Rose D Rabbits: Lila S, Cali D, Albert D and James M Hedgehogs: Zachary O, Cybill J, Ayrton F, Zach P and Phoenix T Gaston has landed in Owls class and Mini-Gaston in Rabbits class.</p>
	<p><u>Reading Certificates</u> Stage 1 Reading Awards for reading 25 times go to: Lola E, Cora S, Jules M, Denley M and Elspeth H Stage 2 for reading 50 times goes to: Daisy S and WyndSOR H Stage 3 for reading 100 times goes to: Maci G</p>
	<p><u>PTFA: Christmas Fair</u> The Parents, Teacher and Friends Association wish to say a huge thank you to everyone who contributed to the Christmas Fair on Wednesday. It was a sell-out meaning that our two projects will benefit from the incredible amount of money raised. We have been able to send the full £273 to World Vision to support Faith's education in Malawi. After costs, the remaining money raised by each class has been added to the PTFA fund, bringing their total to £1028.94. This money will be used for updating the school library and helping towards transport costs during the year. THANK YOU!</p>
	<p><u>Tree planting</u> School Council joined Cllr Les Nottage and Cllr Martin Griffiths to plant four further oak trees on the recreation ground this week. They are lined up with the one we planted as part of the late Queen's Green Canopy earlier in the year. We look forward to watching them grow over the coming years.</p>

	
	<p><u>Gymnastics</u> The Year 4 Robertsbridge Cluster Gymnastics competition took place on Tuesday at Northiam Primary School. After completing a vault and floor routine, our six competitors came 7th overall and Caroline was awarded 2nd place in the individual vault section. Despite their nerves all the children performed the very best they could and as usual were a credit to TEAM BREDE!</p>
	<p><u>Starlight Carol Concert</u> <u>Wednesday 14th December</u> <i>Our Starlight Carol Concert is at 16.00</i> on the Playground (Weather Permitting). This involves the whole School. Parents, families and members of the local community are all very welcome to attend. Wrap up warm and join us for a hot chocolate and mince pie provided by the Brede PTFA from 3.45pm. Please can parents bring their children back to school for 16.00. Alternatively, for a donation of £2 to the PTFA, Kerry has very kindly offered to do a crèche (school children only) between 15.15 to 16.00 for those parents who will find it difficult to collect their child after school and bring them back in time for 16.00. If you would like to book a place, please let the school office know by Friday 9th December. <i>For those parents and carers not attending the concert children will need to be collected by 16.30.</i></p>
	<p><u>Christmas Week Events</u> <u>Tuesday 13th December</u> <i>The Nativity by Hedgehog Class.</i> 09.30 in the school hall. <i>14.00 Carol Service at St George's Church. Foxes and Owl Classes.</i> Please can parents arrange for their child to be collected after the service from St George's Church, Brede at 14.45. <u>Wednesday 14th December</u> <i>Christmas Lunch Day.</i> The Children can come to school wearing Christmas jumpers or a festive colour, if they wish. <u>Thursday 15th December</u> <i>Christmas Party Day.</i> Children can come in their party clothes (weather appropriate). Sensible shoes only please - no heels, no open toes or strappy sandals. Also, no crop tops or bare tummies, please. <u>Friday 16th December</u> Last Day of Term</p>
	<p><u>Being mindful this Christmas</u> It's that time of year! We have heard the songs in the shops, seen lights going up and perhaps attended 'switch on' events that are happening in local communities. We know that no matter how carefully we plan there is, at times, something else that influences how a child or young person may respond. With this in mind, attached to this bulletin are some strategies for the home to support children over the coming weeks.</p>

	Diary Dates		
	Tuesday 13/12/22	09.30 Christmas Nativity	Hedgehog class only
	Tuesday 13/12/22	14.00 Carol Service St George's Church	Owls & Foxes only
	Wednesday 14/12/22	Christmas Lunch Wear a Christmas Jumper or Festive Colour.	Whole School
	Wednesday 14/12/22	16.00 Starlight Carol Concert. The School playground	Whole School and Local Community (weather permitting)
	Thursday 15/12/22	Christmas Parties Party Clothes	Whole school
Friday 16/12/22	Last Day of Term		
	Safeguarding		
	<p>If you have any concerns regarding safeguarding, please speak to any of the staff below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Bulgin – Designated Safeguarding Lead • Mrs Burrows / Mrs Knock - Deputy DSLs 		