

# Drake Primary School Newsletter 22nd December 2023



## Every Day Matters

It is a statutory requirement for children to attend school every day.

The class with highest attendance this term is

**Earhart**

**96.99%**

**Congratulations!**



Our whole school attendance for the Autumn term is above National at **96.15%**

We gave out **146** certificates to children who have had 100% attendance in the Autumn term—well done.

Children were reminded that being late can affect attendance. Please ensure your child arrives on time every day to achieve a 100% attendance certificate for Spring Term.

Dear Families,

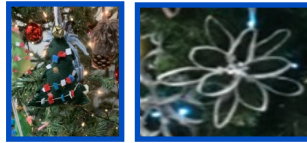
Our final few days of school saw the Year 2 nativity shows, full of song and dance and our carol service at St Cuthbert's Church. On the final day, the school also gathered to watch Jake, one of our MSAs cut his hair for charity and raise over £550.

Our celebration assembly acknowledged the efforts across the Autumn term in the specific areas celebrated every week. We announced the winners of the Christmas Tree Decorations too.

**1st Place: Earhart and Kahlo**

**2nd Place: Curie**

**3rd Place: Merian, Maathai, Turing**



## Reading

It is important that children read every day. On a Monday, reading diaries are checked and teachers award gold stars for children who have read more than 7 times.

Over the term, the number of gold stars awarded to children for reading more than 7 times in one week is 3,032

The class with the most gold stars awarded this term is:

**Maathai—327**

## Daily run

To support Mental and physical health and wellbeing, children run every day. The sports council have set a course to measure the distance travelled over time as we aim to run the distance of the UK.

The classes who have run the furthest during Autumn Term are

**Earhart - 542 miles**

**Maathai - 612 miles**

## Secret Student

Named secret students for the final days of term week are:

Reception: Sophia, Elisha, Evie, Marin

Year 1: Aria, Brody, Zuzanna, Albert, Archie, Amanda

Year 2: Samuel J, Harlo, Tommy, Harley

Year 3: George B, Oliver, Faye, Billy, Phoebe, Isabella

Year 4: Fabio, Faustina, Sophie, Jack, Ivy, Seren,

Year 5: Hope, Victoria, Jack K, Igor, Aimee

Year 6: Kai, Henry, Millie C, Mia-Lily, Emily

## Staffing news

Miss Cook has said goodbye as she is moving to a new area. We will miss her but are pleased to welcome Mrs Grainger to the Year 1 team.

Ms Hinton (formerly Mrs Rudd) will be returning to Drake to support PPA and cover.