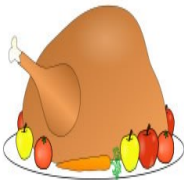


Please find below our Christmas news. These newsletter articles have been written by our amazing Year 6 children!

### Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day!



Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December was Christmas lunch day. We were wearing our Christmas jumpers to celebrate. We had carrots, peas, mash potato, roast potatoes, turkey and gravy. For dessert there was Christmas cake or snowflake biscuits with sugar on top! The table was

decorated with festive Christmas trees. There was Christmas music playing in the background. Everyone enjoyed the Christmas dinner – it was delicious!

*By Nathan, Lily, Cruz, Leon*

*Article 24: We have a right to nutritious food*

### Festive Parties



On the week beginning 13th December, we had our Christmas Parties. We had hot dogs, drinks and we played some festive games. We played corners, pass the parcel and musical statues. The corners were Santa, Reindeer, Elf and Present. The Christmas party was lots of fun, we had an excellent time and were out of breath because of the amount of dancing we did!

*By Joe, Amelia, Jake and Ellis*

### NEW REINDEERS IN TOWN!

On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December, Escomb Primary School ran like reindeers. Everyone designed a reindeer headband to run around with. Before we ran we did a little warm up to some music with Mr Proud. We all enjoyed the experience (and we would love to do it again!) We wore our wellies to run around the muddy field and ran around 7 times! We collected money for The Angel Trust.



*By Nicholas, Charlie, Daisy, B, Amber and Jack*

### WINTER WORKSHOP



On Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup> November, every class got a chance to decorate a Christmas bauble with Rebecca from Education Group. We had the choice to either do a snowman or a penguin on the bauble. The first thing we did was paint the back ground of the bauble with the colour choices, gold, silver, blue and red. For the snowman, we had to get the big sponge and dab it into the white paint then onto the bauble near the bottom. Then we had to get the smaller sponge and dab it on top of the other circle and wait for it to dry. After that we added some details like the hat, nose, the scarf also the snow in the background. While we were decorating the bauble, Rebecca put some Christmas songs on in the background. When the bauble dried we got to take it home. We had such a festive day.

*By Iris C, Cody G, Phoebe W, Zaine B.*

### JACK & THE BEANSTALK COME TO ESCOMB

In November, Escomb primary school had a visit by M&M Productions and have witnessed the pantomime of Jack & The Beanstalk. The pantomime involved the audience. It was so much fun and an enjoyable experience for all of us.

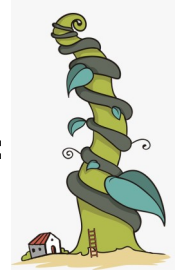
During the pantomime, there were lots of smiles, laughs and giggles. All of the words were spoken clearly and they were easy to understand. It started off with Jack coming out to say how and what had happened recently and he was so shocked to see us all.

Next, a really funny character called Squire Bogie did a little dance as he came on stage.

There was a lot of singing and dancing involved. A lot of the songs came from popular music artists and we could all sing along. It really did make us all so happy!

*By: Lilly J, Max A, Finley P and Cody E*

*Article 31: We have a right to play and rest*



## The unexpected twist to the Christmas plays



### **About the play**

KS1 were performing the Nativity as their Christmas play. Year 3 had joined the same play as well to help them. They had learnt their roles and songs and they were ready for anything! KS2 were doing a different play called 'Bah Humbug'.

### **COVID-19**

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 we had to abandon the play because of the new variant (Omicron) so instead we decided to just sing the songs. Last thing we want is to catch COVID-19 before Christmas because when we sing, our germs can spread around in an indoor area.



### **Adapting**

We decided to record the songs so parents and other children don't miss out. We also shared out the songs between classes these songs included 'Christmas Eve', 'Bah Humbug' and 'He Was Jacob Marley'.

### **Feelings**

Once we were informed with the information we felt disappointed by the decision. But little did we know that school would never give up. So the school decided to adapt and sing the songs instead. This cheered us up a bit. Soon after we got to choose our whole school songs this made us feel excited and grown up. Written by Daisy L, Oliver J, Zack R and Lena C.

[Article 30: We have a right too practice our own culture, language and religion](#)

## Headteacher's Message

Obviously the above events are just a snapshot of what has gone on in school this term. Today we will be posting on our school website and Facebook videos of 'Christmas at Escomb Primary School'. You can also see who our 'Stars of the Week' are on the website!

This will allow you to share in your child's Christmas at school and hopefully encapsulate everything that we have done and the fun and enjoyment we have ALL had!

I would like to take the opportunity to 'Thank You' all as parents for your unwavering support throughout this term – we really do appreciate it. I would also like to say 'Thank You' (and I am sure you will join me) to all of our wonderful staff here at Escomb. They truly care about our children and do their very best always. I would also like to say a 'Thank You' to all of our outside providers who have supported us with after-school clubs and for those who have been in school and delivered workshops. This has certainly supported and helped our children's emotional and mental well-being and given that the extra 'boost' when most needed. All of this is difficult enough for us to comprehend as adults, so I can only imagine how it must be for our little people.

Once again we do not know what the New Year will bring but, we are keeping everything crossed that we will be as 'normal' as normal can be with these ever-changing times! I will update you as necessary and, hopefully in a timely manner—depending on Government releases!

It just leaves me to say:

'We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and all the very best for the New Year and we look forward to welcoming your child back to school on Wednesday 5th January 2022.'

Thank you for your continued support.

Wendy Gill  
Headteacher