



Wittersham Church of England Primary School

"On a voyage of discovery: together we learn, grow and achieve"

9th December 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next Friday the 16th December is Christmas Jumper Day in aid of the charity 'Save the Children'. Your children are invited to come into school on that day in non-uniform and donate £1.00 (or whatever you can afford) to this worthwhile charity. There is no need to splash out on a snazzy new woolly – just spruce up an old jumper or top with a bit of tinsel, baubles or cotton-wool pompoms! Through wearing some very silly festive sweaters we will be raising money for serious issues of global inequality, poverty and hunger. For example, £1.00 could buy a raincoat to help protect a child refugee from the elements and £5.00 could provide one month's water for a child in Ethiopia.

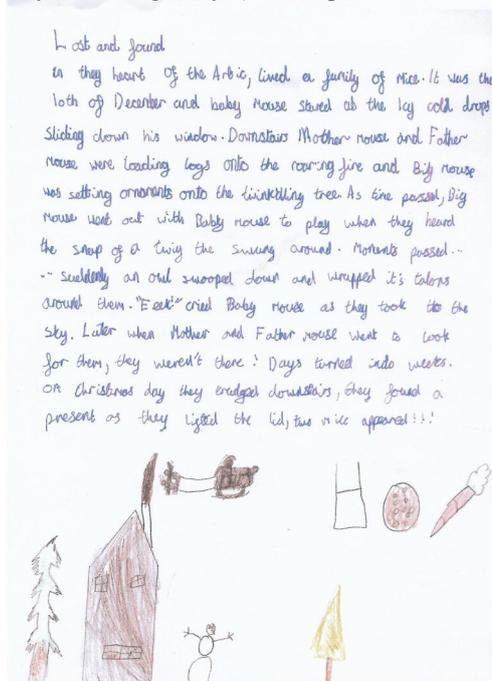
Our children really engaged with our 'Open The Book' visitors this week in Collective Worship and participated in acting and exploring the story of the Wise Men. Max played beautifully on his clarinet as the school entered and left the hall. Please have a look on the Gallery on our school's website to see the pupils and adults in action.



Huge congratulations to Edward (year 4), Bobby (year 4) and Max (year 6) for being 3 winners of the Rye Christmas Festival writing competition and to our other wonderful writers who were shortlisted this week by the school and judges for their Christmas short stories. All of these children's entries will be on display between 10am and 3pm at St Mary's Centre on Lion Street in Rye this Saturday. The school is very proud of you all.
Claire Frost *headteacher*

Tidiest Cloakroom Award:
OXNEY

Bobby's winning entry: (*we will publish another winning entry next week*)



Lunchtime Exemplary Behaviour Award:

KS1—Joe
KS2—Phoebe
Nominated by our Midday Leaders

This Week's Golden Virtues Winners
Windmill—Kitty and Ethan-George
Smugglers—Anna C. and Tommy
Viking—Zoey and Noah
Oxney—Isabel and Edie
Rother—Abi and William

Wittersham's Finger Blessing
*Praise GOD the Father, our creator
Thanks to Jesus, his Son, our saviour
Praise to the Holy Spirit, our guide
Bless dear Lord, all people worldwide
Last of all please bless us too
As we say this prayer to you
AMEN*

 Please monitor your children's use of online material, as what they are viewing may be inappropriate.

 Attendance cup last week went to:
SMUGGLERS with 99.3%
Attendance—WELL DONE!

SCIENCE CLUB SALE—
Monday 12th December
Children will be able to view the sale during the afternoon and the shop will open straight after school. All welcome.



Jumble Sale—Saturday 21st January 2017
Bags 2 School—January 2017
more details to follow



SAVE THE CHILDREN CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY—
Friday 16th December
CHRISTMAS LUNCH—
Tuesday 20th December

Our school Christian values:
"Respect, kindness, self-worth/perseverance, forgiveness and love"