# **Great Oaks Weekly**

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024

# You will go to the ball!

Well done to all the pupils and staff who took part in this year's Christmas production – a performance of Cinderella with a script written by our own ugly sister (Mr Penny) and including lots of popular songs.

As well as all the rehearsals the cast performed to 4 packed houses allowing all of the school and lots of parents opportunities to see it. They sang, danced and acted brilliantly – what a talented school we have.

Thank you to all the staff involved including our tech team and our house band but a special thank you to Mrs Perrot for all her work in teaching, producing and directing over 100 pupils involved in the show











# Next week

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch on South site

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Festive Fun Day.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner on West site

Non- uniform / Xmas jumpers for these three days



# Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone who came to support the Christmas Fayre last Friday evening. It was a great event and over £1,400 was raised for the school. Thanks especially to Dawn and her team for organising it all



# **Christmas Quizzing**

On Tuesday 4MP went on a Snow Windows Trail around Southampton. They walked to 10 different shop windows to find a letter, unscrambled the letters to work out the word and won a prize. The class worked very well together as a team.



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## Max's Attendance Challenge



This Week's attendance is 89.07% for the School.

College Attendance this week 82.3%.

There have been lots of absence

due to illness this week. If you are unsure if your child is well enough to attend school - this

link contains helpful guidance and information. https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-forschool/ Alternatively you can always call the school and a member of the Welfare team will be happy to advise you.

Max's Special Christmas Challenge continues - There are 254 students who have attended every day this week and if they keep it up will be entered into a special prize draw next Friday Afternoon! We also have lots of exciting Christmas Activities planned next week so it is important to be in school to be able to enjoy them!

## **South site School Council**

The south site school council met on Thursday to discuss the Friday clubs we have on offer, what is working and what is not. Classes had worked together prior to the meeting so that all students had the opportunity to communicate what they want to happen on a Friday.



## **Kindness Celebration**





Last Friday Pathway 2 had a kindness celebration linking to Values and Beliefs week. Student shared their acres of kindness and then we shared food and had a dance. Students have been learning about Sikhism and their duty to help others without expecting anything in return.

4LS have been busy making a kindness paper chain over the last few weeks adding a piece to the chain each time somebody does something kind and helpful - they are going to see how long they can make it by the end of the year!

3AK have been caught in the act being kind and made a poster to share in our celebration.

## **Class twinning**

Earlier in the term we matched classes up with another class in a different Pathway or location and last week we encouraged classes to carry out an activity with their twin class in school.

Pictured below 4LS making gingerbread cookies for their twin classes



Parent Carer Coffee mornings – 24<sup>th</sup> January West site, 31<sup>st</sup> January - South site