

Head of Pre-prep – introduction

Dear Parents

The second half of the Autumn Term is full of celebrations and the children have enjoyed a host of celebratory activities from Indian dancing and food tasting for the Diwali festival and celebrating individual birthdays to more recently thinking about Hannukah and preparing for Christmas. The children take great pleasure in celebrating together, they especially like to collaborate in their celebrations, combining their positive efforts towards a shared goal to make it lots of fun. In the weekly celebration assemblies the children always clap enthusiastically when their classmates receive a 'headteacher's award' and eagerly congratulate one another on their achievements. On Friday the City Reception class shared their end of topic celebrations with their parents, and invited them to see their puppet show about Cinderella and to watch them do ballroom dancing. They were disappointed that the Queen had not joined them for their celebrations but pleased to have lots of other guests to entertain!

The children have approached the preparations for a Christmas celebration with similar enthusiasm. On Monday when the Christmas tree arrived the Kindergarten children spontaneously began wishing each other Merry Christmas and in the Madingley Reception class the children turned part of their classroom into Father Christmas' house, and spent an afternoon frantically wrapping to make sure everyone in school had a labelled present.



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As the children learn about Christmas celebrations they often have wonderful interpretations of the story, when reading a Christmas book to the Kindergarten class, one child commented "this story is the same as another one - it has the same characters!" and another child asked "do you think they are going to Beth's house too?" At the end of the week the children performed brilliantly in their production of the play 'Hey Ewe'. They delighted the audiences with their story telling, dance moves and acting skills, often creating funny moments without even realising. The sheep hiding in the pews was certainly a surprise for the audience.

Looking to the future there will be lots more opportunities for the children to take part in celebrations. Activities for the new topic 'Let's Play' will include the children celebrating the importance of story telling. They will be joining children from Dame Bradbury's Pre-prep to make puppets and perform with them as well as dressing up as their favourite story character.

As we have seen during this half term when children are involved in celebrations they are guaranteed to be lots of fun, and as we approach the end of term I wish you all an enjoyable and fun Christmas break.

With best wishes,

Mrs Sarah Holyoake
Head of Pre-Prep

Pre-prep Tumblr blog

Don't forget to check out our Tumblr pages to find out what else the pre-prep classes have been up to! stephenperse.tumblr.com



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Book Club

Our next meeting will be on Monday, 6 January, at 8pm (contact Sarah Beeson, 01223 294108). We will discuss 'Stoner' by John Williams and 'The Humans' by Matt Haig. We always have a lively discussion and are keen to welcome new members. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Martha Crouch for details (020 7638 6983, martha.crouch@btinternet.com)

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Christmas Fair



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Stephen Perse Foundation Junior School & Pre-Prep Christmas Fair

TOMORROW!

LOTS TO ENJOY
INCLUDING...

FATHER CHRISTMAS
GROTTO



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Date: Saturday 7 December

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

at the

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