



'Goodbye' from Ms Caswell



A huge thank you to all of the children and parents who have wished me well in my new job in West Yorkshire. I am so excited about my big move but also so very sad and sorry to be leaving – Whitefriars and Heathland are the best schools in the world if you ask me! I have worked at Whitefriars for 8 years and will miss the school forever for lots and lots of reasons – I have been so lucky to work with such brilliant, inspirational, professional, compassionate and dedicated people who truly do nurture and care for the children

here so well. And the last few months have also shown me how completely heroic my colleagues are!

I will also miss the community of parents and families – your positivity, kindness and support has been amazing!

Of course I will really *really* miss the children and young people in this wonderful school; at Whitefriars, thanks to the team they truly do thrive and have fun while doing really well in their learning. It has been really inspiring to see them embody our School Values as they rise to every challenge. I am so proud of them! With Mr Watson in charge I know that the school will go from strength to strength; he is completely brilliant!

Christmas Lunch and Festive Jumper Day



On Thursday 10th December all children had Christmas lunch with their form tutors and class teachers. It was lovely to see all pupils and staff wearing their festive jumpers and celebrating the holiday season together.

Value of the month



Responsibility

- Being reliable
- Being dependable
- Putting things right if there is a problem

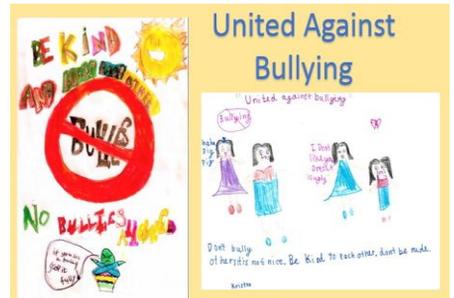


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Anti-Bullying Pledge



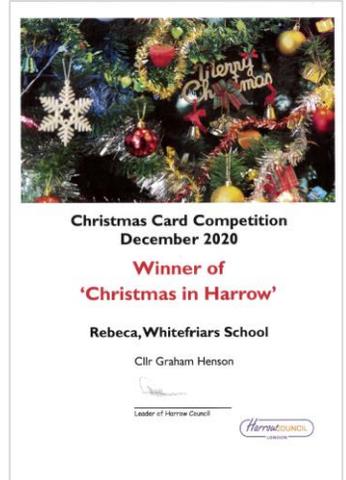
During Anti-Bullying week, all our pupils made a simultaneous stand against bullying by holding up their anti-bullying posters. These photos have now been merged into our whole school pledge. This is a very powerful message. The video is available to watch on our twitter feed.



Christmas Card Competition



Whitefriars School are happy and proud to announce **Rebeca in Year 6** was selected as a winner for the Harrow Christmas Card competition organised by the Leader of Harrow Council, Cllr. Graham Henson. Congratulations Rebeca for your amazing festive card!



Christmas Productions



Nursery and Reception have been working hard on their Christmas Performance - 'Our First Nativity'. They have been busy learning songs, actions and acting out the story and they became movie stars when we filmed it for their parents to see! Well done EYFS.



Year 1 had an amazing time putting on our special video performance of 'The Snowman.' First we learnt the story and described the setting of our snowman party, and then we chose people to play the characters, narrators and star in our dance troupe and band. It was an excellent way to show off this terms' dance we learnt in PE - The Dashing White Sergeant, which is a Scottish ceilidh dance, as well as showcasing our magnificent speaking voices that we have been developing and how well we can follow a beat.

We would like to wish all our families a happy, peaceful and safe festive break and best wishes for 2021.





Home Learning in Perseus



For home learning, Perseus Class created their own habitats using items around their house and recyclables! They did an amazing job!



Article 28 :
Your right to learn and go to school.

Dates for January...

4th ~ Staff Training Day
5th ~ Pupils return to School

School Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils who have achieved their Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum Awards this month.

Bronze Awards:

Ali – 5 Leo
Latifah – 5 Leo
Ali – 6 Draco
Jasim – 5 Leo
Mubarik – 5 Leo
Younes – 5 Leo
Arman – 5 Aquila
Yad – 5 Aquila
Mahir – 5 Aquila
Sakina – 5 Aquila

Silver Awards:

Dobrinka – 6 Draco
Siddharth – 6 Draco
Salwa – 6 Draco
Mohamed – 5 Pisces

Gold Awards:

Raluca – 6 Draco
Abdullah – 6 Draco
Sadiquillah – 6 Draco
Abdullah – 6 Draco
Wesal – 6 Draco
Taniece – 6 Draco
Miriam – 6 Draco
Ayaan – 6 Chamaeleon

Platinum Award:

Mario – 6 Draco



Article 29 : Your right to become the best that you can be.

Winter Art Day



"We loved Winter Art Day in Year 3, we learned how to use watercolour paints to create a background, then create a collage for the forest we even created a Polar Express." Kristen, Chloe and Aradhya.

Music's Cool



As part of the Music's Cool program, Year 5 had opportunities to learn a variety of skills in Music. They focused on the SOLFA hand signs and how to play different notes on the ukulele to show their musical skills. They also looked at different parts of the ukulele and learnt a simple tune together.