



PRESTON BULLETIN



'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full' John 10:10

Friday 9 December 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have nearly reached the end of a very busy term, and the schools are starting to feel very festive indeed. The decorations are going up, and with events like the Preston Christmas market, the Santa Dashes and the Christingle Services, the mood is beginning to be very Christmassy!

Hopefully, we will all enjoy a happy and healthy end of term, but schools have been advised to be mindful of the guidance sent home earlier this week with regard to Scarlet Fever and Strep A.

We have also seen the beginning of a cold snap of weather. Please be careful on pavements and pathways and allow extra time to travel to school. In the event of a school closure, we will notify parents/carers by text message and further information can be found on our websites:

<https://tasvalley.org.uk/prestonprimary/emergency-school-closures/>

<https://tasvalley.org.uk/saxlinghamprimary/emergency-school-closures/>

Yours sincerely,

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PRESTON STARS OF THE WEEK

- Ladybirds: **Sophia** for always being a kind and helpful friend.
- Bumblebees: **Logan** for helping others to follow the rules in a kind and supportive way.
- Grasshoppers: **Flynn** for a good performance showing the end of our journey in English.
- Caterpillars: **Emily** for working hard on multiplying by 10, 100 and 1000.
- Dragonflies: **Iris** for giving her best effort in all areas of learning this week.



LIVING THE MOTTO

'I can see a task through to the end.'

- Ladybirds: **Ava**
- Bumblebees: **Charlotte**
- Grasshoppers: **Violet**
- Caterpillars: **Skyla**
- Dragonflies: **Elliott**



DIARY DATES

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| Monday 12th December | Christmas Lunch |
| Wednesday 14 December | KS1/Reception Nativity, 9am |
| Thursday 15 December | KS1/Reception Nativity, 2.30pm |
| Friday 16th December | Collective Worship in church |



School reopens to pupils on Wednesday 4th January 2023.

STATUTORY ASSESSMENT DATES

Year 6 SATS

Tuesday 9 May to Friday 12 May 2023.

Year 2 Assessments

Year 2 assessments are conducted throughout the month of May.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

This is conducted during the three weeks following Monday 5 June.

Year 1 Phonics Check

Year 1 Phonics Checks are completed during the week beginning Monday 12 June.

It is very important that children in these year groups are in school at these times.

FOPPS raffle, mince pies and refreshments



**Available at each nativity performance,
please support if you can.**





Christmas 2022
at Tasburgh Church

Christmas Carols by Candlelight -
Sunday 18 December @ 6.30pm

In the week before Christmas you can go around the village to find a stone with a hand painted star on it and bring it along to the *Crib service* on

Saturday 24 December @ 4.00pm.

(Check the FB group 'Tasburgh Times' regularly to find out more).



Midnight Holy Communion -

24 December @ 11.30pm

Christmas Day Service

25 December @ 10.00am

Trips to Norwich Synagogue

On 1st and 8th December, lots of our pupils took part in half day trips to visit Norwich Synagogue. This was a new experience for the children and they loved being able to see their learning about Judaism brought to life.

Our workshop leader was Deborah, a member of the Jewish community, who ran two different workshops for us to take part in. In the first, we learnt more about Shabbat, the Sabbath or holy day for Jewish people, which starts at nightfall on Friday nights. Deborah demonstrated Shabbat traditions, let us sample challah bread, try on the kippah (a skull cap worn by Jewish boys and men) and learn Jewish songs.



In the second, we explored the beautiful prayer hall, spotting features and finding out what they meant. We saw the most holy part of a synagogue: the Ark, which houses the Torah scrolls. The children were able to dress up in the tallit (traditional prayer shawl) and even had a go at writing in Hebrew.





Christmas Market 2022

