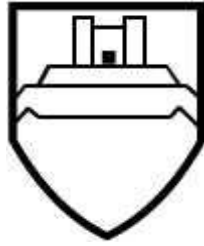


Stratford-sub-Castle CE VC  
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Newsletter

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December  
2023



Life in all its fullness  
John 10:10

As I look back and reflect on my first year as Headteacher of our school, I do so with pride and joy. I feel very privileged to work in such a wonderful place.

I would like to thank all the staff who work so hard and are committed to making our school the best it can be. They always put the children first and want the very best for them now and in their future.

I would also like to thank you, parents, grandparents and other members of your family I know how lucky we are to have your support and it makes such a difference to the children because we work together.

Finally, I would like to say how proud I am of all our children. They work hard, strive to do their best, show understanding and empathy for others and know they are all valued as part of our team.

### Go Team Stratford

Thank you to all who came to our end of term Christmas Carol Service. It was lovely to see how full the church was. I think you will all agree Woodpcker Class led the service very well and spoke beautifully. Thank you to the choir for their performance and a special thank you to Mrs Aylett for organising the choir and playing the organ.

Well done to all the children who took part in Stratford's Got Talent today. It was fantastic to see the vast array of talents on show. Congratulations to our winners and runners up:

EYFS/KS1 Runners up – The Abracadabra Boys (Jacob H, Arthur G and Markas T)  
Winners - Francesca G and Sophie H

KS2 Runners up – Anna M and Elliot D  
Winners – Elin M



Thank you to all who came to our wonderful Christmas Bazaar, we raised a fantastic **£1,426.76!** An amazing amount for our small school. This money will go towards educational visits and resources to enhance learning for your children. Well done to all, a great team effort.

### **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS ART COMPETITION**

Congratulations to our winners of the Christmas Art Competition:

**Isabelle (Fox Class), Herta (Woodpecker Class), Alexis (Robin Class),  
Esme (Owl Class) and Cody (Butterfly Class)**

Every year the children decorate the Church with their art. This year the theme is *Light*. The children's beautiful artwork is now on display in the church and will be all over the Christmas period. Please do feel free to visit the Church and have a look. Thanks to Miss Crook and Mrs Watson for taking the time to decorate St Lawrence, so everyone can see it.



#### **Reminder...**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024 are Teacher Training Days.**

**All children return to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024.**

Wishing you all a joyful Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Justine Watkins