

Our Vision and Values

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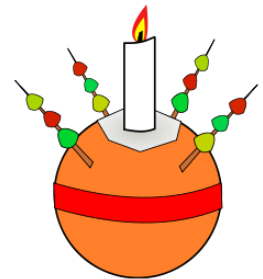
Mrs Bennett's Blog

As we enter the last few days of term, it has been a joy to welcome so many of you up to church this year to watch the children's nativities and carol concerts. I know the children have loved performing for their families over this week in Reception, Year 1, 2 & 3 with their beautiful voices-what superstars! We haven't let RAAC get in the way and it has felt magical. Thank you for coming to support, the children are so proud to show their families what they do in school.

Next Monday the 18th of December is Christmas Party day in school, the children are very welcome to come in their party clothes to celebrate the end of term. We will be providing crisps and movies during the afternoon for the children to enjoy. Please Dojo your child's class teacher if there are any dietary requirements **we are not already** aware of surrounding crisps so we can provide an alternative.



On our final day in school, next Tuesday 19th of December, the children in Years 4, 5 & 6 will take part in our annual Christingle Service at St Luke's church in East Morton. The children will walk to and from church during the school day. The younger children in years 1, 2 & 3 will have a Christingle service in their classrooms. Your child is invited to bring a Christingle with them to school on this day.



After the holidays, with moving Years 4, 5 & 6 into the new learning village, we are making a slight change to gates. From Thursday 4th of January- **Year 4 will enter through the main front gate at 8.30am and Year 2 will enter through the bridge gate at 8.30am.** This will help us to then route the children more quickly to their classrooms. **All other year groups will keep their current arrangements.** It is important that only years 5 & 6 enter from the top gate and we share the traffic between all three gates.

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Friends of Crossflatts

We are pleased to announce that we raised an amazing £1282.12 at our Winter Fair! This is a fantastic amount of money raised for school. Once again thank you to those that helped make it possible under the circumstances and to those that attended.

We will be holding our AGM meeting on Friday 5th January 9.30-11am. If you would like to attend, please email friends@crossflatts.bradford.sch.uk for more information.

Merry Christmas!

As you may be aware, Bramble Hedge, the nursery, who have shared our school for many years is closing its doors at the end of this term. I remain immensely grateful to the team at Bramble Hedge for giving us back the Willows so we had space to teach our Year 5 when we discovered the RAAC situation. We will all miss Mary and her lovely ladies with their red jumpers and big smiles but we wish them every happiness as they embark on new adventures in the new year.

As this will be my last blog for 2023, it is a good time to reflect on our first term. We began the academic year with a mammoth task ahead of us and as I look out of my window, our new learning village is very near completion ready for us to move into on the 3rd of January. I am so proud of everyone and how we have risen to the challenge RAAC has brought with it. Our children have really settled well into their new classes and made a flying start with their learning-making lots of impressive progress both emotionally but also academically. This only happens because of the hard work and commitment of everyone around the children and the strong partnerships we have with you their families. I would like to sincerely thank everyone for their hard work, support and engagement with us at school, it has really helped us along as we have navigated a difficult path.

I hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and a well-deserved break to spend with those you treasure. Christmas is never really about the stuff, it's about the time spent with those we treasure most in our lives and the happy memories made together, being grateful for all that we have.

Happy Christmas and I will see you all on Thursday 4th of January when we reopen for the Spring term.

Happy Holidays!

Mrs Bennett
Headteacher