

# Sebert Wood Primary School

## Parent/Carer Update



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've been especially proud of our pupils this week!

On Tuesday morning Year 2 visited the Theatre Royal to watch the pantomime. For many of them this was their first trip to a theatre and their behaviour was excellent. They were eager, enthusiastic and a great audience, and staff commented on them being the best behaved group in the theatre. We are grateful to FOSWS for funding this trip.

On Tuesday afternoon our Year 4 pupils held their swimming gala. Children took part in two 25m races, one in front crawl and one in a stroke of their choice. All children completed this, and the children supported each other so well. It was a tight competition but Class 9 won overall. This was a great celebration of the children's swimming achievements this term. Thank you to all the parents who cheered everyone!

Our Reception pupils bravely took part in their first Christmas performances on Wednesday and Thursday. Those who came were full of praise for the children's singing and dancing. The children focussed so well and did a great job. They've set a high bar for next week's performances!

We look forward to seeing you at our many Christmas performances next week, as well as our FOSWS event on Friday afternoon. Gates open at 2:30pm – see you then!

Have a great weekend,

Mr James Tottie and Mr Jamie Winch

### Good Citizen



This week we are particularly proud of Grace in class 7, who has helped fundraise for two local events recently. On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November she dressed up as an elf with her Grandma and helped at the Otley village Christmas fete to raise money for their local community. She helped Father Christmas to welcome all the children and was there all day.

On Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November she helped members of the Bury Town Women's football team to raise money for the children's ward at West Suffolk Hospital. She was especially brave at half time and walked round the whole stadium with her bucket getting lots of people to donate! Well done Grace.

## Year 1 Football

Our Year 1 footballers have just played their very first match. Coaches Alex and Justin are very proud of them all, saying they all played brilliantly and with the biggest smiles on their faces. Keep it up Year 1!



## FOSWS event

Parents are invited to hear singing, drink hot chocolate and stay for the raffle draw next Friday afternoon from 2:30pm on the playground.

At 3pm all children from Reception to Y6 will come outside to perform songs from their Christmas performances. The stage will be outside at the end of the Y5/6 building. Yeargroups will take it in turns to sing one song each. We hope for a lovely festive atmosphere – this will be followed by the FOSWS raffle draw.

## Foodbank Appeal

We had an incredible response to our Foodbank appeal – we managed to completely fill Mr Winch’s entire Mini with donations! We received a letter of thanks from Gatehouse which says:

*“The level of generosity shown by the numerous schools, churches, groups and individuals in this area is extraordinary. Everyone knows that, economically speaking, these are tough times and they’re likely to get tougher; and yet it seems that this only serves to intensify the generosity we see on a daily basis.*

*It is often said that voluntary work brings its own rewards. It does. Those who contribute make this happen, as well as being able to bear witness to the relief this work brings.”*

In addition to the immediate help we’ve given to families in need, the appeal has provided us with the opportunity to teach the children about the work that foodbanks do, the idea that not all families have the same resources, and that it is good to think of others at Christmas time. We’re proud of the way the Sebert Wood community responded – thank you if you were able to help.

