

Friday 29th November

Dear Parents and Carers,

Every year at this time, the Pied Piper Theatre company come into school to put on a show for the whole school. Today they treated us to a wonderful performance of The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse. The children absolutely loved it and it felt like the start of the festive season.

Earlier this week we were pleased to welcome Cate Douglas, author of 'Poppy's tail' to Oatlands to share her book with our Reception and Year 1 children. The children really enjoyed the experience and having the opportunity to try on her suitcase of tails. The book is available on her website and Amazon if you missed the chance to buy the book or a tail on the day. We hope she will return later in the year to read her new book 'Brave in a cave' to Year 2.

We are looking forward to the first of our Christmas performances next week, with Year 2 starting us off on Tuesday morning with their performance of 'Strictly the Nativity'! Please see details of all performances below.

We hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Tanya Mooney

Key Dates Next Week

Tuesday 3 rd December	9.15-10.15 Year 2 Christmas performance
Thursday 5 th	2.00-2.45 Year 2 Christmas performance
Friday 6 th	9.15-10.15 Prospective parents meeting
Friday 6 th	PM Lion class Multisports at Cleves

Christmas Art Fundraising Orders

We will be sending home any Christmas Art products that have been delivered to school today in book bags. If you don't receive your items today it is possible they haven't been delivered yet and we will send them home as soon as they arrive.

Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children – Friday 13th December

We're taking part in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 13th December!

By pulling on our Christmassy knits and donating, we'll be supporting children in the UK and around the world to keep safe, healthy, and learning. We'll be helping them fight for the future they deserve. Children can come to school dressed in their own clothes with a Christmas jumper if they have one. It's likely to be a cold day so NO football kits or princess dresses. Please remember to send your children with sensible shoes for the playground.

Just click **HERE** to donate £2 (or more if you're feeling generous...) and it will go straight to Save the Children. The money we raise could go towards some amazing things like:

£2 could pay for a pair of shoes to keep a baby in Afghanistan warm through winter

£5 could pay for a maths pack to make sure a child in the UK is ready for school

£40 could give a family who've escaped war in Ukraine enough food for a month

Please donate now and help us reach our target!

https://24-stc-cjd-home.blackbaud-sites.com/fundraising/CJD240025224?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_source=link&utm_campaign=ssb-link

Oatlands Postbox – Christmas Card Collection

The Oatlands Christmas Postbox has been put in the library today. If your child would like to send Christmas cards to their Oatlands friends and teachers, please pop them in their bookbags next week, ensuring that all cards have a **name** and **class** on the envelope. Teachers will send children to post their cards in the post box at an opportune moment during the day. The last day for posting cards is Monday 16th December.

Pied Piper Theatre Company – Activities for home

This morning the Pied Piper Theatre Company came into school and performed 'The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse' for the whole school. It's such lovely story so if you would like to read or listen to it again with your child or do some fun activities around it, please go to https://piedpipertheatre.co.uk/fun_activities.php

Safeguarding Notice

If you have any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing in the school or community, please speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL). DSL- Tanya Mooney, Head Teacher. DSL- Phil Copsey, Deputy Head Teacher or DSL-Kelly Grindle, Oscar Manager and Nurture Lead.

Updates to the Website