



Cheetah Class Newsletter

Wow! I honestly can't believe that it is already Christmas and that we have completed a full term of Year 6 - this year is absolutely flying by! It feels like only yesterday we were settling into September, and yet here we are at the end of such a busy, exciting, and memorable term.

Last week, the children completed their mock SATs, and I could not be prouder of how they approached them. Every child showed fantastic resilience, maturity, and determination. More importantly, there was clear improvement across the class, which is a real credit to the children's hard work both in school and at home. Thank you so much to parents for supporting them through this process – it really does make a difference.

A huge **thank you to all parents who attended Parents' Evening** last week. It was genuinely lovely to speak to you, share the children's progress, and celebrate their successes together. I look forward to speaking with the remaining families next week.

On **Monday**, we will be holding our **Christmas Show**. Please remember that this is limited to **two adults per child**. The children have worked incredibly hard rehearsing, practising songs, and building confidence, and they are so excited to perform. I cannot wait for you to see and hear just how much effort they have put in - you are in for a real treat!

I would also like to take a moment to say a massive **thank you to parents for their continued support with homework**. This term has been exceptional: **every single child has handed in their homework every week**. This level of consistency is outstanding and shows the strong routines you have established at home. As a reward, the children will be enjoying a **dodgeball tournament**, scooters and s'mores, which they are very much looking forward to!

We have a wonderfully festive final week ahead with Santa visiting, our Christmas show, and lots of Christmas surprises planned. Please ensure children are in school every day so they don't miss out on any of the fun and special moments.

English

Wow!! The children have worked incredibly hard in English, particularly when writing persuasive letters to the council arguing for the construction of a Windrush Generation monument. I have been completely blown away by the quality, depth, and maturity of their writing. The children demonstrated excellent use of persuasive techniques, strong vocabulary, and thoughtful arguments. It has been a real pleasure to read their work!

Guided Reading

We have moved on to *The Little Match Girl Strikes Back*, a modern twist on the traditional tale. The children have thoroughly enjoyed beginning this text, which delivers an important message about kindness, gratitude, and the true meaning of Christmas. It has sparked some excellent discussions and thoughtful reflections.

Geography, History and Science

This term, we have completed several major topics:

- **Geography:** Physical processes, including mountains, rivers, and volcanoes
- **History:** World War II and airbases
- **Science:** Animals including humans

As part of our History learning, next week the children will have a visit from an Army Cadet, who will share World War II memorabilia.

PE

This half-term we are learning about disco dance and handball.

- PE days remain **Wednesday and Friday**.
- Please come to school in full PE kit on both days.

Homework

Thank you so much for the support you are providing at home. The extra practice with reading, spellings, times tables and SATs revision tasks are making a noticeable difference.

This consistent effort now will pay off massively as we get closer to SATs.

Sats revision

Many parents have asked about SATs revision resources. If you are looking for additional support, some recommended resources include:

- **CGP revision guides** (SPaG, Maths, and Reading)
- **SATs Ninja**

Past SATs papers can also be found online. Please do not feel under any pressure to purchase resources - this is completely optional. Children already have access to **SATs Companion**, as well as **weekly homework**, which provides structured and appropriate revision. New SATs Companion login letters will be sent home next week before we break up.

Year 6 morning SATs booster sessions will be starting after half term. These sessions provide valuable additional support in the lead-up to SATs. Please keep an eye out for the letter coming home with further detail.

Stars of the Week

- **Hallie – For a greatly improved attitude towards others and for consistently getting on with all her work. Well done!**
- **Mila – For always looking out for others and forming positive, supportive relationships within the class.**
- **Dammy – For absolutely smashing his English work - fantastic effort and progress!**
- **Elsie – For continuing to work hard every day and showing an amazing attitude to her learning.**
- **Harry – For being a consistently hard-working member of the class.**
- **Charlie – For rising to challenges and showing determination when learning becomes tricky.**

Important Dates

- **Dec 10th & 17th:** Parents' evening
- **15th Dec:** Christmas Carol service.
- **17th Dec:** Army Cadet visit
- **18th Dec:** Visit from Santa
- **19th Dec:** Break up for Christmas

As we come to the end of the term, I want to say a **huge thank you to parents** for your ongoing support, encouragement, and communication. Your involvement plays such an important role in the children's success, and it is truly appreciated.

Finally, I just want to say how much I have loved teaching your children this term. From Robinwood, Crucial Crew, Bikeability, visits from PC Hazel and Adam Ellison, the Army Cadet talk, football tournaments and leagues, mock SATs, the Christmas panto, the Christmas carol service, and everything in between - we have been incredibly busy! I have had just as good a time as the children, and it has been wonderful to watch them grow in confidence, independence, and maturity.

Please have a restful, happy, and well-deserved Christmas break. Enjoy spending time together, make lots of special memories, and come back in the new year ready for more fun and more challenges as we head towards SATs.

Please remember you can follow our class updates on **X (@MissJenningsWW)** for regular photos and news from our learning journey. Please do not hesitate to grab me at the door or ring the school should you want to discuss anything.

As we look ahead, 2026 will be the year your child leaves primary school, which feels both exciting and a little emotional. The coming year will be full of important milestones, memories, and achievements, and I am really looking forward to supporting the children every step of the way as they prepare for this next chapter.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you again for your continued support - enjoy the break, and I look forward to seeing everyone refreshed and ready for an exciting year ahead. 🎄

Miss Jennings