



# Rolph C of E Primary School and Nursery Family Newsletter



**Friday 17th December 2021**

## Dates for your Diary

### **Wednesday 5th January**

All children return to school

### **Friday 7th January**

Flu Immunisations

### **Monday 14th-Friday 18th February**

Half Term Week

### **W/C Monday 14th March**

Parent Consultations

## **Dinner Menu**

We will be on Week 2 of the dinner menu when we return on Wednesday 5th January

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a fantastic end of term at Rolph despite everything going on elsewhere at the moment. The children had a lovely start to the week with their trip to the Panto. We then enjoyed a wonderful Christmas meal together. Thank you to The Lifehouse for the cracker donation this year. A big thank you to the RSA for their lovely gift for every child too.

Yesterday evening we held our KS2 Carol Concert outside. It wasn't quite how we had planned and there were some last minute changes, not only with the venue but with who was singing what etc. Despite all of this, the children were brilliant. I could not have been more proud of their efforts and a huge well done to the children that had additional small singing parts and readings. It was a lovely evening and thank you so much to parents and carers for supporting this event.

It has been a very strange term and again nothing like we imaged returning to school in September, however, despite everything, so much has already been achieved. I would like to give a sincere thank you to all of you for your support this term. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you all in 2022!

Mrs Jones

## Craft Competition

Thank you so much for all the amazing entries for our Christmas Craft competition. The quality and variety of entries was phenomenal.

It was very difficult for our Community Ambassadors to judge but the winners are as follows:

**EYFS** — Winner Emily Crowe, Runner Up Toby Snell

**KS1** — Winner George and Sophia May, Runner Up Liam Crowe

**Lower KS2** - Winner Emma Kelly, Runner Up Henry Hull

**Upper KS2** - Winner Wilfred Parker, Runner Up Laura Greda

Well done to everyone who entered. A special well done to Wilfred Parker who was the overall winner with his very impressive wooden sleigh which scored a total of 18/20 from the judges.



## Marvellous Me Badges

Reception— 1143

Year 1 – 190

Year 2— 663

Year 3 – 494

Year 4 – 748

Year 5— 121

Year 6 – 719

Well done to Reception for earning the most badges this term!

**'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me' Philippians 4:13**

**Love**

**Integrity**

**Fellowship**

**Endurance**

### Street Tag Update

The good news is that we are still at the top of the Tendring Schools' Leader Board 😊. With your help over Christmas, hopefully we can remain there into the New Year. Therefore, don't forget to keep tracking your steps and collecting tags when you are out and about walking off your Christmas Dinners. Power hours can be set in advance and the Heritage Trails in Clacton might make a change for a walk along the coast with the added bonus of lots of points.  
Merry Christmas Street Taggers.



### Toys Wanted

If you are having a sort out ahead of Father Christmas paying a visit, our Reception class is in need of the following items:

- \* Puzzles (must be complete)
- \* Plastic Arctic Animals
  - \* Cars
- \* Small World Toys

Please bring any donations in to school when we return in January. Thank you in advance.

### BBC Morning Live

Our wonderful school was featured this week on BBC Morning Live. They were running a story on the Tendring Eldercare project that the children took part in. The programme features Ronnie, Madison, Lincoln and Phoebe from Year 4—who were all complete professionals. We were so honoured to be asked to be part of this and spread the message about this important project. Well done to all the children involved and if you would like to watch our school on BBC Morning Live, the full clip can be found on BBC iPlayer from the show aired on Thursday 16th December, with a short clip also on our Facebook page.

### RSA News

**Fundraising**—Please continue to use the links below when purchasing everyday items to help raise funds for the RSA:

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1105878-0>

and

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=19601>

**Rolph Recyclers**—SAVE YOUR CRISP PACKETS – RECYCLE & EARN POINTS FOR ROPLH. A wheelie bin has been placed at the front of the school, just inside the wall by the pedestrian gate. Could all parents please save their empty crisp nut and popcorn packets and place them in the wheelie bin. Please make sure the packets are completely empty and flattened before placing them in the bin, it is a good idea to store them in the multi-pack outer bags for convenience, twice the recycling!

**Next RSA Meeting**— Friday 21st January 2022, 9.15 am at the Rose and Crown.

### Santa Dash

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December the children took part in the National Santa Dash organised by School Games. The aim was to complete as many laps as possible to see how close we could get to Lapland. We participated as part of the Tendring School Sport Partnership and despite not all classes being able to complete their laps (due to our dodgy fire alarm that day!) we completed the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest distance, with each child completing an average of 1.1km.

Well done to everyone who took part.



### Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Poppy Appeal this year. We raised £310.18 in total which is fantastic.



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