

Froebelian School Form IV's Weekly Newsletter 8 December 2023

Our ethos theme for next week will be:

We know how to give and receive compliments

Dear Parents and Carers

FIV's Snapshot of The Week:

- In Maths, the main focus has been algebra this week. The children have also worked on a practise paper, which will be sent home next week.
- In English, the children have completed practice papers and worked on editing their 'Macbeth' creative challenge. We are looking forward to sharing them with each other, and with you.
- Drama exams went very well. The children were praised for their politeness by the examiner. She loved chatting to them all about their CVs and chosen objects. This is excellent practice for the forthcoming entrance exams.
- The children continued working on their new living organism and will be writing about it for homework.
- In Music and French, the children have been busy with preparations for the Carol Service; please ensure that the children learn the words and practise on Seesaw.
- PSHEE and RE have continued to address roles of responsibility, respect and behaviour choices.
- The singing at Manor Care Home was lovely yesterday. There isn't a suitable English word to describe the act of visiting the elderly and spreading good cheer. So please forgive me for saying what Jewish people would say "It's such a mitzvah!" (usually referring to a charitable, beneficial act performed by another person.) I know I could say act of kindness, but for me the word mitzvah encompasses more than just that. Your children were truly delightful!
- We have all enjoyed wearing our Winter Woollies. The children are excited about the Christmas Fair this afternoon. We are sure that those who are helping on our FIV stall will do an amazing job!

Test Folders:

Spelling and Mental Maths corrections should be done as usual. The Science test and the tricky maths paper are also in the folder. It's a good idea to re-visit previous papers on a regular basis to check that knowledge is embedded. Folders should be back in school on Tuesday.

Planner Notes:

We are continuing to use the planners to record where homework has been handed in late (or not handed in at all) and to record any behaviour warnings. If your child receives a note in the planner, please initial the note in addition to the regular signing of the planner. We would be grateful for your support with this. All Captaincy Roles have been re-instated.

Senior School Reference:

Thank you very much for completing the forms. The references will be sent to the different schools over the next couple of weeks, when they are requested. Please make sure that you have sent in your applications for your chosen schools. When writing the references, it has been lovely to reflect on your child's progress and journey, and we know that each of your children will be an asset to his/her chosen school.

A Message from Mrs Taylor-Parker:

"I was very proud. I know you will all be too. I am aware that a full day of exams is disruptive to our busy school day particularly at this time of year. You are all stars. I am sure you will be delighted to read what the examiner said about her visit."

"I have never been in such a delightful school where every single child was so polite and happy. Even just walking around every one said good morning and smiled - doors were held open and so many children asked me if I had enjoyed my day and wished me Happy Christmas. The children taking Interview Technique were so confident and eager to discuss their CVs - I hope I get a chance to return to Froebelian."

Carol Practice and Service:

As you know, the Carol Service will take place on Monday 11th December. Please encourage your child to practise the songs and the drama pieces for this. Check arrangements for Monday from the separate letter.

If you have any worries or concerns about anything to do with your child, Mr Rawson and I are both available before and after school, so please feel free to come and see either of us immediately, or contact me on n.smith@froebelian.co.uk, or write a note in the Pupil Planner.

Have a good weekend.

Kind regards

Nicky Smith and Joshua Rawson

Calendar Dates

Monday 11 Dec Junior Carol Service rehearsal at The Grove; children to be dropped off at 8:30am

Monday 11 Dec Junior Carol Service at The Grove; children arrive at 6:45pm

Tuesday 12 Dec Junior Trip to The Leeds Playhouse to see OLIVER! (Bring a packed lunch)

(See Separate letter for arrangements)

Wednesday 13 Dec Juniors' Christmas dinner

Thursday 14 Dec Junior Christmas Party Day – Sensible party clothes

Thursday 14 Dec FPTA Bags2School Collection

Friday 15 Dec Christmas Cheer 3.00pm Main Hall. Term Ends 3.30pm – NO HAC or DRAMA