

As we approach the end of the year we would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## TERM DATES:

We will be closing for the Christmas holidays on Wednesday 21st December @ 1.30pm and reopen on Monday 9th January 2023.

Spring 2: 2023 Monday 27th February - Friday 31st March 2023

Summer 1: 2023 Monday 17th April - Friday 26th May 2023

Summer 2: 2023 Monday 5th June - Friday 21st July 2023

# **PREFECT NEWS:**

The SSSC prefects have been adapting to our new roles.

These include running break time clubs and planning events for younger pupils including a Christmas party. We have also been helping around school. By K Smith

# LEARNING HERO CHALLENGE:

On Thursday 24th November pupils took part in a Learning Hero challenge morning. Working in their form groups they selected challenges from their Learning Heroes' booklets to complete. This included activities involving artwork, persuasive writing, geography knowledge, catapult contests, 3D object creation and straw bridge competitions.



The booklets contain challenges to celebrate and promote pupil experiences across the SSSC curriculum.

Pupils had a great morning and will continue to complete challenges over the coming terms.

### LIBRARY VISIT:

Miss Ley's English class were the first group to visit our local library in Alfreton. Pupils were extremely excited for this visit and for some it was their first ever time in a library.

Pupils were shown around the different areas of the library. They were then given lots of time to explore the vast range of books that were available.



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### **STAFF LEAVING:**

Mr Norman and Mrs Lucas will be leaving at the end of the Calendar year. We want to wish them both luck in their new roles and want to thank them both for all their hard work and dedication to the school

#### THINK-INK:

We are raising funds for the school through a company called Think-Inks.



All we have to do is collect used ink cartridges and put them in the Think Inks Box located in the school office. If you could display a poster (which was recently sent out) in your work place or community, we would be extremely grateful. Thank you.

#### **ENTERPRISE:**

This half-term within Careers lessons our focus has been on enterprise. Pupils have worked in form teams to come up with and participate in a series of different enterprise opportunities across school. This has included creating fidget toys, food bank donations, ink recycling, shoebox appeals and pick-a-mix stalls.

Pupils will be displaying and selling some of their enterprise products at the upcoming Talent Show event.

### FAMILY FUN DAY:

We were delighted to welcome back parents and carers of pupils who attended the Positive Support Intervention programme.

Family Fun Time will be taking place every half term, providing an opportunity for parents and carers to see what their child does within the Magic rooms in school.

Thank you so much to all the parents and carers who have already attended.... can't wait for the next one in February 2023.



### FOOTBALL TOUNAMENT:

Pupils in KS3 took part in a mini tournament of football matches on Friday 9th December against pupils from Heanor Gate School. Pupils competed in 4 teams, playing 15 minute games on our 4G pitch.



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