



Parent newsletter - Friday 12th December 2025

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Headteacher's welcome

We are starting to feel festive at Caldecote! Having not being able to locate the pesky Christmas Post Box, an emergency Amazon order has saved the day; it is located in the main corridor outside Blue class. Children in Silver class will continue to deliver any Christmas cards up to the last day of term.

This week, our pupils have been embracing both fun and educational experiences that showcase their curiosity and enthusiasm. Our Daily Mile took an interesting twist today - The Santa Dash in Christmas jumpers brought festive cheer to our school community, with everyone joining in well.

In our Year 6 science lessons, Silver class pupils have been exploring human biology in a truly hands-on way, dissecting hearts as part of their learning. This immersive approach allows our older pupils to understand complex biological concepts through a practical experience that they won't forget!

We've also been focusing on recognising and rewarding positive learning behaviours. Our class reward systems have been motivating pupils to demonstrate good behaviour and engagement in their learning, with Blue class and Purple class receiving their pebble jar treats this week. Our younger learners in Blue class have been developing their cooking skills in a delightful way, making gingerbread in their DT lessons.

Wishing you a lovely weekend!

Mrs Strange

Carols on the Playground

On Thursday 18th December 2025, we will be gathering on the playground to sing a Christmas song or carol chosen by the children in each class. Please join us!

Gates will be opened at 2.40pm, for a 2.45pm start. We will finish before the end of the school day and children will return to class to collect their belongings in time for usual end-of-day procedures.



Christmas lunch

We look forward to Christmas lunch with the children on Thursday 18th December 2025. On this day, children will be able to wear their Christmas jumpers (again!).



Values Winners

YR-Santiago

Y1-Freddie

Y2-Vikram

Y3-Finley

Y4- Brihas

Y5-Rayan

Y6-Aarav

Personal Achievements

Children can bring in something once a term to share in the Friday assembly.



- Ellie Y3 was awarded a "Merit" in her violin exam
- Sam Y1 Took part in a flying experience
- Lily Y3 completed her stage 4 swimming award
- Chloe received a medal for taking part in the Melody bear Ballet show
- Vaishnav received a certificate and trophy for being " Tennis player of the year"
- Georgia received her 260m backstroke swimming award

Well done all of you!

Golden Table Winners

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- *Meili YR*
 - *Azmina Y3*
 - *Harry Y5*
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Class catch ups - Green Class

Each week, the individual classes will take it in turns to share some details about the exciting events happening in their classroom. This week, it is the turn of Orange class!

Green Class have had an incredibly busy and exciting few weeks!

In English, the children have been hard at work writing their own narrative stories inspired by *Into the Forest* by Anthony Browne. They created imaginative adventures where their characters met a variety of well-known fairytale figures hidden among the trees. In Maths, we've explored several topics, with a particular focus on multiplication and division this term.

Our foundation subjects have taken us back in time to Ancient Greece. We even enjoyed a special Ancient Greek Day, where the children made laurel wreaths, sculpted clay busts, acted out famous myths in our own version of Greek theatre, and tasted a selection of Greek foods. Many children were brave enough to try something new - olives were a surprising favourite!

Another highlight was our recent D.T. Day. The class designed and made their own pizzas using unusual but seasonal toppings. Blueberries turned out to be a surprisingly popular choice. We hope all of Green Class have a restful and joyful Christmas break - it's definitely well-deserved!





Eco council

As we mentioned in last weeks newsletter, 21 pupils completed the cut the carbon challenge. Please see below the report that highlights the savings we have made as a school. This all contributes towards us receiving our Eco Schools Green Flag status.

*Every week a nominated class complete an ECO daily checklist during lunchtime in each class room. They are looking for computers to be on stand by, lights that are not in use to be switched off etc. This term the class that is the most eco friendly is **Green** class. A big well done, keep up the good work!*

Thank you for your continued support, Mrs Gibbs and the ECO councillors.

Your Impact

Thank you for completing Cut Your Carbon! Below, you can see the amazing carbon savings that you and your community have created through the campaign.



Overall Combined Carbon Savings of 190 participants =
438.48 kgCO₂e

Read below to see how that figure breaks down...



21
people dropped the temperature to 30°C for three washes across the month, resulting in carbon savings of up to:
17.4 kgCO₂e

21
people made 3 journeys active across the month, resulting in carbon savings of up to:
32.1 kgCO₂e



21
people dropped their heating by one degree for a week, resulting in carbon savings of up to:
146.4 kgCO₂e

21
people made 3 evening meals plant based across the month, resulting in carbon savings of up to:
236.5 kgCO₂e



21
people meal planned to reduce food waste for one week, resulting in carbon savings of up to:
6.1 kgCO₂e

21
people had a device-free-day, resulting in carbon savings of up to:
4.2 kgCO₂e



Diary Dates



Dates for the Diary

2025/2026 PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THE DATES SO YOU DON'T MISS ANYTHING		
* against the date is a new addition to the calendar		
Date	Event	Time
Monday 15th December	KS1 Christmas party	1.30pm
Wednesday 17th December	KS1 Welcome Wednesday	8.40am-9.00am
Wednesday 17th December	KS2 Public speaking	pm
Thursday 18th December	Christmas Lunch & Jumper/hat day	12.00pm
Thursday 18th December	KS2 Festivities	9.00-12.00pm 1.30-3.00pm
Friday 19th December	Term ends	3.20pm
Monday 5th January	Training day for staff	8.30am-3.30pm
Tuesday 6th January	Spring term begins	8.40am
Tuesday 20th January	YR & Y6 Weighing & Measuring	10.45am
Wednesday 21st January	Young Voices @ O2 Arena London	10.00am-11.00pm
Friday 30th January	Parents working group	8.50am - 10.00am
Friday 30th January	Break the rules day	All day
Friday 20th March	Parents working group	8.50am - 10.00am
Friday 8th May	Parents working group	8.50am - 10.00am
Friday 26th June	Parents working group	8.50am - 10.00am