



Year 6

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## **CtS Christingle Fair**

One of the school's main attractions is always the PTA Christingle Fair. It is always filled to the brim with fun stalls and amazing prizes such as teddy bears, sweets and baked goods such as cookies and lots more. It took place at the Broadway site from 3:30pm to 5:00pm on December 2nd so children from both sites could participate. Donations such as chocolate, cake and scented candles were very welcomed!!

There were also many brilliant activities. For example, there was a bouncy castle, glitter tattoos, tombola and a grotto. There was also chalk hair dye available. Remember that all donations support the school and will help buy us laptops, playground equipment and musical instruments. In addition, more money will be put into the Hardship Fund to make sure that children can have school trips and uniforms.

One of the most popular attractions in the entire fair was the PTA raffle. There were fantastic prizes such as mulled wine, vouchers, beauty treatments and an Amazon Kindle! The more raffle tickets that you bought the more likely you are to get a prize!!- Aria and Alexander 6AK

### CtS Christingle Fair House captain stalls



Again this year we had an amazing turn out from the house captains of CtS. Every year the creative and competitive nature of each of our house captains is seen at the Christmas fair. The stalls

had some fantastic guessing, throwing activities, alongside some extremely delicious treats. We are all excited to see how much the stalls were able to raise. The children were all very proud of their displays and were grateful to the massive amount of support they received from pupils, parents and staff.





### WHAT LOCAL CHARITIES ARE DOING FOR CHRISTMAS

This year many will not have a merry Christmas, so we want you to do your bit. Charities like the 'Ealing Churches Winter Night Shelter', and 'The Log Cabin', all try to prevent people being lonely this Christmas.

The Log Cabin is a charity that supports people with additional needs or disabilities to socialise, grow and have fun alongside others. Another cause is 'The Ealing Churches Winter Night Shelter'. This is a charity where people stay at different churches that will open their doors to their guests, providing hot meals and a place to sleep . They provide 10 places with medical care from November to the end of February.

Our support is needed more than ever, as more people are struggling with the cost of living. The Ealing Choral Society is helping Ealing Foodbank at our 2022 Charity Christmas Carol Concert. Their annual carol concert raises money for a local charity, Ealing Food Bank. We are so pleased to support Ealing Foodbank at times of great need. Thank you so much and have a MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!!! - Aphra, Annie and Harriet 6AK



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### <u>The Christmas Carol Theatre trip</u>

Before Christmas, the Year 6 pupils have a theatre trip to look forward to: A Christmas Carol. The main protagonist is Scrooge, a character that hates Christmas; something will happen to him that will change everything. This will be an exciting event for us Year 6 pupils. This will be a great opportunity for us, as we go into high school to see how actors express themselves and how a story can be interpreted.

Therefore, I am sure we will have a great time as we experience this, in a joyful way with our peers. It is a real treat to be able to return to educational

#### <u>Christmas Jumper</u> <u>Day!!</u>



This Christmas jumper day is going to be a blast! Millions of people are dressing up in the most fabulous to most CRAZY jumpers. This is the true show of Christmas joy and laughter. In this jolly season, this Special event will likely fall on any day in December. visits, especially at this special time of year .Lastly, everybody will remember this unique experience, which is all the more important, as it is our last year in primary school.



**UPDATE:** The trip was great. The stage and background created an amazing atmosphere. There were chains attached to people which heightened the spooky nature of the show. Overall it was an engaging show and extremely creative in how they told the story. I would recommend this show! -Aleks 6AK

#### **A HOW DO DIFFERENT COUNTRIES** CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS?

At CTS, we have so many people from all around the world. As we are drawing closer to Christmas, we thought it would be intresting to find more about how other countries celebrate Christmas, in this festive season.



"In Germany, we have curry with sausages (wurst) and we also eat duck. As well as food, the special ointment which they have on the tree has a nazi symbol with a red cross straight through it". Says Max, 6AK. "In Ghana, we have a special Christmas Festival, with food, dancing and singing. We also eat jollof rice." Says Freddie, 6AK.

"We eat a big roasted chicken and Polish dumplings stuffed with meat. Associated with olden poland, you

leave your shoe out and st Nickolas files it with sweets! When the first star comes out, it represents the angel coming down from the sky. Then you can open your presents." Says Vincient, 6AK.

The main question is, what are you wearing for Christmas jumper day? Will you be wearing the most extraordinary or an insane festive jumper? - Delina and Jude 6AK

#### <u>What do other</u> <u>faiths do at</u> <u>Christmas?</u>

The Christmas holidays are especially significant for Christians, however other faiths in our school celebrate their beliefs at different times in the year. Muslims take part in the holy month of Ramadan. Jews have a winter celebration called Hanukkah. During the Winter break many Muslims and Jews enjoy family get-togethers and relaxing - watching Netflix! December 25th is just another ordinary day for them.

Some of our staff said that during the Winter break they enjoy spending time with their families, sleeping in and watching Netflix!

What do you do during the important dates in other faith calendars?



Now that you have read about other people's Christmas, we all hope you have a happy one yourself! Merry Christmas, and a happy New Year! By Harriet 6AK and Aphra 6AK.

#### The History Of Consumer Christmas

Christmas started as a holy celebration of the birth of Jesus but it has been slowly adapted into a consumer holiday it has become another way to make money for large companies. Did you know santa was not even red in the start he was in a green robe but coca cola changed it to fit the theme of their red bottle. Originally Santa was known as St Nicholas and he would bring food and blankets to the poor and impoverished. This is probably the reason we give gifts at christmas.

The Christmas Krampus started as a folk story in Siberia to scare naughty children but of course toy companies and movie producers took advantage of the story and there have been an endless variety of movies and toys but he is described to have horns and goat hooves and a very long tongue. All of the Christmas celebrations came from humble beginnings and were used by companies to increase their profit. This would mean that they would be more successful in their business. Going into further detail, this is a smart move that many companies would use to make their business grow larger and for more people to know about it. - Luka, Zak and Max 6AK



This is an image of how Sant was portrayed in a green outfit.



#### Three Hilarious Christmas Jokes

- 1: Why did Santa fly into a pole?
- 2: Why is Rudoff called the red nosed reindeer?
- 3:What is Santa claus' favourite thing in English?



# Broadway goes festive!

This week the Broadway welcomed the annual Christmas tree to the atrium. Ms. Mc Culloch was helped by some year 6 children to decorate the tree with decorations made by a variety of children. They were also helped by Mr. Kerller who kindly placed the beautiful star at the top of the tree! Thank you to Ms.McCulloch and Mr. Holcombe for all their hard work making the school look so beautiful for this special time of year. Please make





sure you stop and admire the tree when you pass by!

#### <u>REINDEERS</u> What's their Backstory?

Reindeers are extraordinary creatures, but unfortunately not many people know about them so I am here to explain everything you probably don't know about these mythical animals.

When you first hear of a reindeer you probably think of Santa's reindeers and the north pole but you don't know where they are actually from. Researchers have discovered that domestic Reinders are actually found in places such as : Northern Scandinavia, Russia and iceland. They also can't actually fly , like Santa's reindeers that's just a myth but there are strangely good swimmers. They were discovered in Scotland 800 years ago and from then on they have become the world's favourite Christmas animal. Finally, all male reindeer shed their antlers in the winter, so all of Santa's reindeer are women!



Thank you for reading and MERRY CHRISTMAS!

- Aphra 6AK

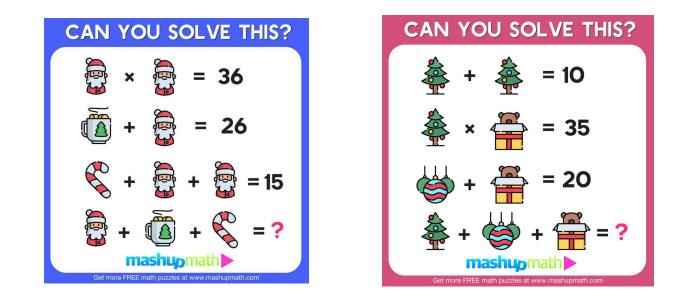






#### Joke answers:







Can you find our two Christian Values hidden in this half term paper????

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# Greetings from the Grove Site!

The children at the Grove site have been extremely busy on the lead up to Christmas. Nursery children have also been taking part in a sing-a-along, spreading Christmas cheer across the school. I wonder what beautiful songs they sang! We have reports of Year 1 and Year 2 pupils working very hard this half term. They also participated in the Santa Dash, supporting the PTA in their fantastic fundraising.

Ms.Tidd Kindly shared a wonderful prayer from a year 2 pupil for this special time in our Christian calendar, and it reads:

"Dear Jesus,

Thank you for coming down from heaven. It is amazing that you were still happy when you left your great life behind to teach us. I feel thankful because you taught us how to be kind and generous towards others. Amen" - **Madison Cross 2CT** 



Reception classes have been practising nativity and sharing the Christmas story with their parents and guardians., in what has been described as a spectacular event! The stage was ready in the Grove hall for all to enjoy. The Grove also displayed a beautiful Chritsmas tree decorated by the children's artwork, bursting at the seams with colour!





#### A Note from our Journalists-

The newspaper team from Autumn term would like to wish all the staff, pupils and parents a very Merry Christmas. We hope the holidays bring you joy and lots of rest.

Make sure to be thankful for the little things, and to show appreciation and gratitude for the wonderful things God has provided for us all.

See you all in the new yearl

