



Harrowbarrow School

Newsletter

**Tuesday 7th
December 2021**

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Picture Perfect



Oscar used a vanishing point to give his Polar Express pastel picture perspective (above).

Josh and Arabella used pens to draw winter scenes in the style of Dr. Seuss, after reading The Grinch (below).

As part of our school improvement work, we collapsed the curriculum for one day this week. Each class rotated around the school, visiting different teachers to learn about the work of famous illustrators. This inspired their own creations. It was great to see the thread of progression from Class 1 to Class 4 in the children's work. The day was planned by art co-ordinator Tom Ottewell-Taylor and gave children the opportunity to work with different media and to learn new skills, such as creating perspective or movement.



Staffing Update

From January, Sam Watts will return to full-time teaching in Class 3. Andrew Hunt will no longer teach Class 3 on Mondays, but will increase his teaching commitment in Class 2 on Fridays. Friday teaching sessions in Class 2 will now be shared between Andrew Hunt and Emma Kalarus.



As part of their Victorian topic, Class 4 recently had a guided tour of Calstock from local historian Ann Marcer. Many sites of historical interest were explored, with information provided by Ann about the historical context, including the impact of mining in the area. This week, Ben Dancer from the TVAONB gave a talk to Class 4 about the minerals mined in the area, which included the opportunity to see some samples. We are fortunate to have these opportunities on our doorstep as they provide such an insight into the past.

Road Safety

A concern has been raised about children making their own way to the village hall car park at the end of the day. We know some are enthusiastically running ahead of parents and carers, but some are running into the road to pass people on the pavement and some are crossing the road unattended. We will do a road safety briefing in school but ask that parents and carers have a mind to the potential risks at this busy time of day. Thank you.

On behalf of our visiting vicar, Rev. Chris Painter, we share the invitation below.

What have you done for the first time?



Judging by the range of medals, certificates and coloured belts on show here, Katie, Dan and Jayden must have done extremely well at their recent Taekwondo grading. Well done to all three.

If you've done something amazing, or for the first time, why not share it with everyone through our newsletter?

**You are warmly invited to
come to any of our services
over Christmas**



St Anne's Gunnislake
Sunday 19th December 6pm
Lessons & Carols for the
community

Friday 24th December 4pm
Crib Service (especially for families)

St Andrew's Calstock

Wednesday 22nd December 7pm
Nine Lessons & Carols

Friday 24th December 11.30pm
'Midnight' Communion

All Saints Harrowbarrow

Monday 20th December 7pm
Lessons & Carols

Saturday 25th December 10am
Family Communion



Dates for your diary

7.12.21 - Infant nativity at 2pm
9.12.21 - Infant nativity at 9.30am
10.12.21 - PSA Christmas disco at 6.30pm
13.12.21 - Junior Christmas Celebration
14.12.21 - Junior Christmas Celebration

15.12.21 - Christmas dinner at school
17.12.21 - Last day of term and Christmas party day
(details to follow)
4.1.22 - First day of spring term