



# Devonshire Buzz



*The Best That We Can Be*

Thursday 21st December 2023

## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD

Hello Devonshire!

This week we have enjoyed Christmas Parties for all year groups and numerous visits from Santa Claus. Thank you to Mrs Brownlie for organising these events and thank you to all the staff who helped to wrap over 450 presents for all the children. This week has also seen a special Christmas Carol Service held at St Thomas' Church. Thank you to Reverend David for hosting us and to Mrs Page for organising the event; I was incredibly proud of KS2 who each sang a Christmas Carol with signed actions to accompany.

This Christmas we have, once again, received an unprecedented number of donations and presents from the wider community. We have been humbled by the generosity of many. I would personally like to thank St Thomas' Church; Mrs McQueen and family; Blackpool Football Club; The Salvation Army; Blackpool Stanley Rugby Club; Mr Colledge; and Ashleigh and Paula Archer for their kindness and support. Many families were very grateful to receive these donations of presents and vouchers.

Today we had lots of festive fun together at our whole school Christmas Dinner! Thank you to Blackpool Catering Services for a delicious dinner and to all staff for making it so special.

Today we are saying goodbye to Miss Fletcher who has been a member of staff at Devonshire since September. I would like to thank Miss Fletcher for all her hard work at Devonshire and we wish her the very best for the future in her new role.

A final thanks to all staff and Devonshire stakeholders who continue to work tirelessly for our pupils.

I would like to wish all of our Devonshire family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mr Simm, Headteacher



**Don't forget, we come back to school at normal time on Monday 8th January 2024.**

**KS2 pupils took a trip St Thomas' Church for a Christmas Carol Concert this week. Head over to our Class Dojo pages to hear the children performing their class renditions.**



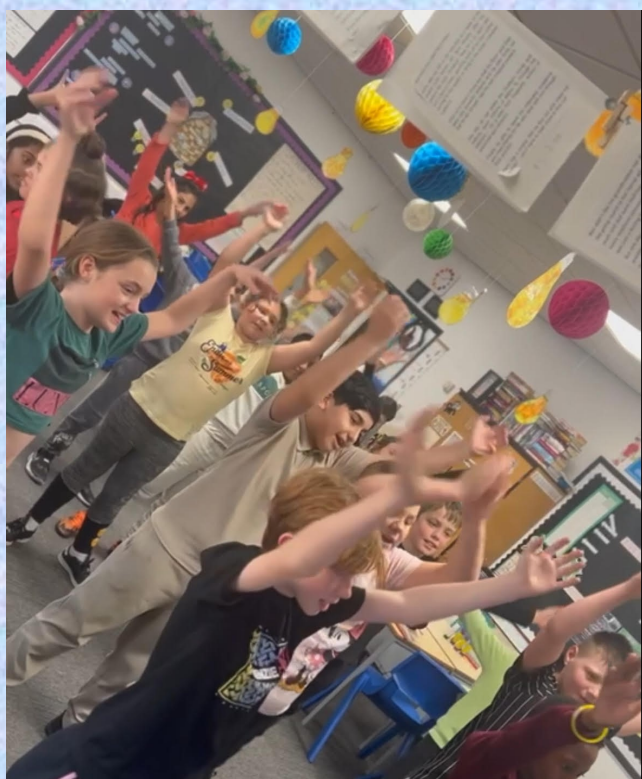
**Preschool have been having a COOL time learning all about winter. They thought about the signs of winter in the UK and how, in some parts of the world, it's winter most of the time!**



The final antics from Year 6's Elf on the Shelf, Brian! He'll be leaving us this week and heading back to the North Pole. He hopes you all have yourSELF a Merry Christmas!



60 had their 100 jewel reward day this week. The children chose a non-uniform day and had a fun morning completing any activity they wished. Looks like they had fun chilling with their SNOWMIES!



### Joke of the Week!

What do snowmen like to do on New Years Eve? Chill out!



### Stars of the Half Term



### Super Citizen



Preschool	Jordon M
RG	Bobby-John E
RM	Mustafa S-A
1H	Olivia G
1S	Dennis G
2M	Jayden J
2P	Zahra A
3H	Joseph A
3S	Zainab K
4MT	Jana A
4R	Dalton B
5D	Yavin R
5S	Arin A
6J	Simon S
6O	Laila H

ATTENDANCE CLASS	5S — half term winners
RG	George A
RM	Mathews R
1H	Logan S
1S	Kobi M
2M	
2P	Caitlyn B
3H	Isak M
3S	Logan W
4MT	Veronica D
4R	Ella H
5D	Jaxon I
5S	Aden T
6J	Olivia E
6O	Chelsey T



## Devonshire Primary Academy News

**This week we have had many Christmas Parties in school to WRAP up the year and celebrate Christmas! The children have danced, played games, eaten sweet treats and even had a surprise visit from Santa Claus himself! HO HO HOw fantastic!**



**Preschool had their annual Christmas Cheer where parents, carers, friends and families came in to play. It was so lovely to see so many of you there enjoying the afternoon along with some hot chocolate and mince pies.**

