



## Nursery News

### This Week in Butterflies and Caterpillars

The children have been getting into the Christmas spirit, making decorations for our classroom and painting and gluing glittery pictures. The children have also been making Christmas trees and playing with spicy, glittery playdough. We have been talking about how many sleeps to Christmas.



### This Week in Tiny Eggs

This week, as we get closer and closer to Christmas, the Tiny Eggs have been busy printing with Christmassy shapes. They have been making their pictures look even more festive by adding glitter. This has been encouraging children's fine motor skills and sense of shape and colour.

## **Year 2 - Enormous Crocodiles Class Blog**

We have been learning about the Great fire of London. We have found out lots of information about it. It happened in 1666. It started in a bakery. The fire spread because the houses were made of wood, they were close together and the wind was blowing.



We made our own Tudor houses so we could see how quickly the fire would have spread. We put the houses in the playground and close together, like the narrow streets of London. At the end, all that was left were ashes, which would have been like the real fire.



## **Year 6 - Butterfly Lions Class Blog**

Christmas is fast approaching so we are working hard to get ready for the Christmas production next week. We are practicing our singing, making props and the actors and actresses rehearsing their lines. We are continuing to learn more and more about the Vikings as part of our creative topic, this week we have been finding out about Viking mythology and using this to help us write our on Viking myth. Did you know that both Thursday and Friday are named after Viking gods: Thor, the God of War, and Frigg, Odin's wife.



All this half term children in Butterfly Lions have been working as Young Leaders at lunchtime - we work in small groups and run sports and activities for other children to take part in at lunchtime. This has helped us develop a range of skills including organisation, flexibility and team work to name a few.

**Attendance** - The Department for Education consider a child who has less than 90% attendance to be a persistent absentee. To give you an idea of what 90% attendance means in relation to their education it equates to them having missed just over 2 weeks of school for the year. I am sure you will agree that this is a huge amount of important time missed in the classroom. The Education Welfare Officer comes into school every 6 weeks and rigorously checks our register and monitors poor attendance. Please make every effort to improve your child's attendance to school as it is important for your child's education and progress. Thank you.

## **SPORTS NEWS:**

On Tuesday 5th December a group of Year 5 and 6 children took part in a Sports Hall Athletics competition. They had to do relays, throwing and jumping activities. There was even a teachers javelin event! All children performed to their best and put in 100% effort. They did the school proud. Well done!



## **Adverse Weather**

In the event of adverse weather, updates will be on the school website and on Bedford Borough Council website.

**Raffle Ticket Winners:** Pink 91, 93, 102, 151; White 79, 164, 177, 210, 216, 254; Green 38  
Please claim your prize from the school office.