



# Ditton Lodge



## A message from Mrs Moore

*This week, we have had a wonderful week getting in to the Christmas spirit. We were delighted to welcome friends and family to watch our KS1 Nativity Show: It's a Baby. The children have been working so hard during the last few weeks and were fabulous. Thank you to your generous donations after the show, which mean we are able to keep putting on school productions that are so important to the children. Today I was lucky enough to accompany the choir to a Music Festival at Bury St Edmunds Cathedral. The children sang beautifully. Have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you all again on Monday for our annual visit to the pantomime.*



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*This week our class spotlight is on Year Three*

*In Year 3 we are enjoying our current focus on poetry. In our writing lessons, we have been studying performance poetry. We have thought about how to perform poems in an engaging manner by changing our pace, volume and intonation. In Reading, we have been studying 'Twas the Night Before Christmas, written in 1822 by Clement Clarke Moore. We have looked at the language and poetic devices used to bring St Nicholas's visit to life. We have been working hard in Maths to develop our multiplication and division knowledge. We have been noticing connections between the 2, 4 and 8 times tables.*



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## *This week our subject spotlight is on Music*

*What a marvellous musical week we have had! We enjoyed watching our younger children shine at their Nativity performing many songs beautifully. It was a pleasure to watch you sing and dance so enthusiastically. If that wasn't enough, we have also had the pleasure of participating in the Unity Schools Music Festival. The children in Reception have sung a song called "Snowflake." The children in Upper Key Stage Two have learned to play along to Vivaldi's "Winter" on the glockenspiels. The children in Year Four learned to play and sing "Winter Nights" which they then taught to the Year Three children. Well done Ditton Lodge magical, music making!*



# Attendance



*This week's Year Group Attendance*

*Reception: - 98.71% Year 1 - 98.67% Year 2 - 97.59%*

*Year 3 - 98.89% Year 4 - 100% Year 5 - 98.52% Year 6 - 97.69%*

*Whole School Attendance - 98.58%*



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## House Points

*This Week's House Points Winner is :*

*Palace House - 2205 Tattersalls House - 2155  
Severals House - 1390 Hyperion House - 1235*

*Reception - Otis R Year 1 - Isla B  
Year 2 - Zara M Year 3 - Oscar B  
Year 4 - Ronnie D Year 5 - Ava H  
Year 6 - George H*



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## Diary Dates

- Monday 18th December – Annual Pantomime visit (in school hours, am)
- Tuesday 19th December- Reception and KS1 Christmas parties, pm
- Wednesday 20th December – KS2 Christmas parties, pm
- Thursday 21st December - KS2 Carol Service, 2.30 pm
- Thursday 21st December - Last day of Autumn term
  - Wednesday 3rd January - PD Day
- Thursday 4th January - First day of Spring Term