

# Timberscombe C of E

## Christmas Newsletter 2021



### First



Dear Parents and Carers, This is my last newsletter to you as the Head teacher of Timberscombe CoE First School, as from January you will have the pleasure of Mrs Hall and Miss Sparks writing to you. It has been an absolute honour to lead this truly wonderful school and to see it flourish. We have observed a rapid pace of change with amazing outcomes for children. Just look at our thriving Little Oaks provision! What a success and credit to the team. This team are so ready and so strong to take Timberscombe CoE School forward into its exciting future. I am not leaving as such, but just taking on a more strategic role to lead the federation, so that every school can continue thrive. You will all know that, I absolutely adore working with our lovely children, so dually running things like our student parliament will remain in place so I can stay connected to our pupils. It has been a tough term for many with the increase of measures to keep everyone safe, to the latest news around new Covid variants. The community also reeled from the tragic news locally with the bereavement felt most acutely by those at the College, family and friends of the victims. Please take a moment this Christmas to reflect and remember, to be thankful and to be kind. Life can be cruelly short and hard at times, so the pleasures we do have should be held dear. With these challenges around us and connected to us, it has been even more special to find those moments of joy with our children and each other. To be able to still run our nativities and share that with you in our church was one of those magical moments. The children were amazing; made me laugh, cry and be super proud all in one! Silent Night sung in German and English was a truly stand out moment for me, our little school of pupils were all truly amazing. Our Christingle service today was again magical identifying all that should be at the heart of Christmas– Love. When you see the photos in our newsletter, you will see the many moments of joy we have all shared this term. Every moment of happiness eked out and every learning moment too, because our children matter immensely to us. Please stay safe and well over the festive break, enjoying every moment with those you hold dear, and being kind to yourselves as well as others. Mrs Naomi Philp



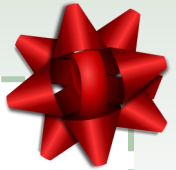
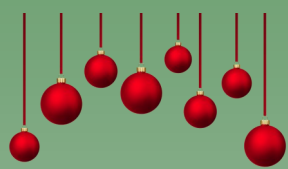
#### **Nativity Review**

What can I say about Timberscombe First School's Christmas nativity?

What I can say is how excellent it was. It was very well rehearsed, acted out, and the singing was amazing (Especially the last song). Well done all, keep up the good work!

10/10 A fantastic and uplifting performance. Would love to see next years nativity. Merry Christmas !  
Harry King 13





What a fantastic Autumn term we have had in Class 1!

In September we enjoyed making bread to celebrate Harvest, we learnt all about our bodies and how to stay healthy and created some super tiles in our art learning.

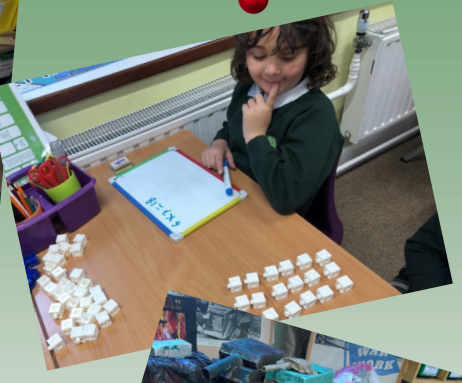
In November we learnt all about World War 1 in our History learning and the Remembrance service that you all took part in at the church was amazing! The fruit salads that we made were delicious.

In December we have loved learning about the Christmas story and what a spectacular Christmas play!

We are so proud of all of your hard work and excellent learning and can't wait for next term.

Have a fantastic Christmas with your families. Love from Mrs Hall, Mrs Cooper and Mrs Sparks





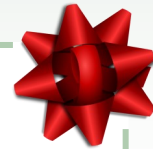
Phew! What a busy term it has been in Class 2!

It has been lovely to see the Year 4s return to us so grown up - they've risen to the challenge of being 'top of the school' really well so far! The Year 3s have settled brilliantly into life in Class 2 and have made great progress in the last 12 weeks. The children have worked so hard this term in all areas of the curriculum, and can all be very proud of their efforts.

We have thoroughly enjoyed our World War 2 topic this term, and the children were beautifully behaved and engaged really well when we went on our trip to the Radar Station on North Hill.

One of the highlights of this term has been our beach school sessions. We all really loved getting outdoors and exploring Dunster Beach - the children especially loved doing our weekly litter picking!

Have a restful and fun-filled Christmas break - see you next year!  
Love, Miss Sparks, Mrs Sparks and Mrs Weygood

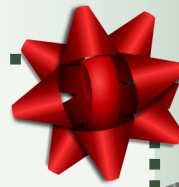


## Little Oaks

We have had a lovely festive time in Little Oaks. The children have made Christmas crafts and learnt Christmas songs and rhymes. We read a wide range of Christmas stories and in particular focused on the first nativity.

I was so proud of all our Little Oaks when they made their debut on stage as a flurry of snowflakes! They not only performed their dance perfectly, but they also sat, watched and listened beautifully! The Christmas party was great fun with lots of games to join in with.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!



*Nurturing our unique acorns, for the infinite possibilities of the mighty oaks they shall become.*