

Freeman's Endowed Church of England Junior Academy Newsletter

'Let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.' 1 John 3:18

Santa Run and Christmas Cake Sale

It was brilliant to see the children enjoying the Santa Run yesterday - there were some excellent performances! The children also thoroughly enjoyed the Cake Sale and hot chocolate after their year group's Santa Run.

There were some absolutely brilliant cupcakes in the Cupcake Bake Off - it was clear that lots of thought, effort and time had been spent making the Christmas creations - well done to everyone who entered the Bake Off!

The overall winner of the Cupcake Bake Off was ... **ANGEL** from Year 5!
Angel made some beautiful, really original cupcakes that all the staff agreed were a worthy overall winner!



The winner from Year 3 was Millie, whose beautiful cupcakes arrived in a bauble filled with Christmassy treats...
...the winner from Year 4 was Mia M
...and the winner from Year 6 was Ellie C with her fantastic cupcake Christmas tree! **Great baking everyone!**



Staff News...

Miss Blunt - We are really sorry to announce that Miss Sarah Blunt will be leaving Freeman's at the end of this term. Miss Blunt has made a massive contribution to Freeman's over many years and we know she will be sadly missed. We are hoping that Miss Blunt will return in the new year to work with the school - please join us in extending our thanks and best wishes to her.

Mr Healy - We are thrilled to share with you the news that Mr Healy and his wife welcomed their new baby, Henry, to the world on Wednesday this week. We will look forward to meeting Henry and welcoming Mr Healy back to school in the new year! Congratulations!



Our **Values Champions** this week are:

Year 3: Melatiah

Year 4: Katie

Year 5: Samuel

Year 6: Laila

Well done to all of our Values Champions!



Stars of the Week:

Year 3: **Dahl Class:** Scarlett

Donaldson Class: Emily

Year 4: **Kerr Class:** Dylan

Zephaniah Class: Nathaniel

Year 5: **Rowling Class:** Dylen

Horowitz Class: Theo

Year 6: **Pullman Class:** Harry M

Morpurgo Class: Ethan

Well done to all of Stars of the Week for showing outstanding behavior and excellent effort in their work.

Presentation Awards

Year 3: **Dahl Class:** Karter

Donaldson Class: Noah

Year 4: **Kerr Class:** Archie

Zephaniah Class: Bella

Year 5: **Rowling Class:** Finley

Horowitz Class: Edie

Year 6: **Pullman Class:** Ilkim-Su

Morpurgo Class: Adesh

100% Attendance Award - Harriet from Dahl Class

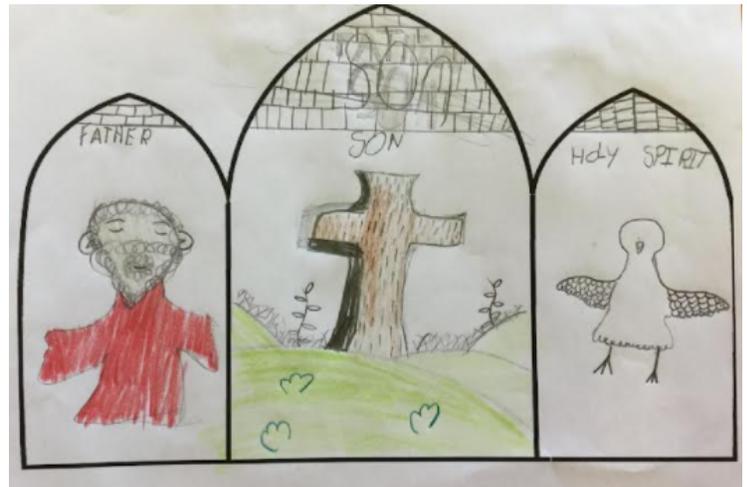
Our House of the Week with the highest number of Dojo points is the Saints **House!**

Out of School Awards

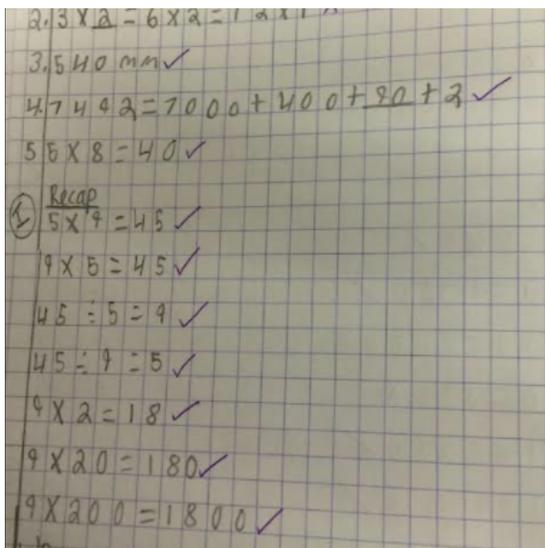
Zara from Dahl Class - Level 8, 9 and 10 swimming awards

Alexandra from Year 4 - R&D Multi Sports Club Award

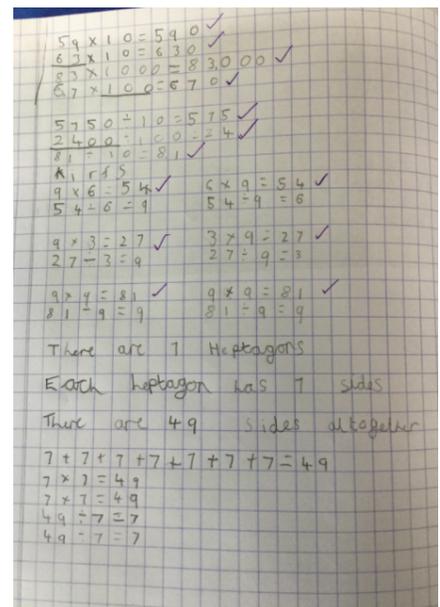
Great work Year 4



In R.E we have been learning about the Holy Trinity. We have looked at various pieces of artwork created by different artists that represent God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. We then looked at Triptychs - which are pieces of art that are hung above the altar in churches. These beautiful examples by Sophie-Leigh and Arina depict the Holy Trinity superbly.



We are pleased with the care and attention year 4 are taking with their presentation. We have focused heavily on our times tables this last week. We have learnt ways to recall our 3, 6, 9 and 7 times tables with speed. We would love the children to keep practising these on ttrackstars regularly. Who can beat their sound check score?



School Uniform Reminder - Winter Term Uniform

Just a gentle reminder that our winter uniform policy is that boys and girls wear shirts and ties, not polo shirts as in the Summer Term.

Girls should wear plain black shoes or ankle boots; boots with chains, studs or high heels should not be worn to school. Thankyou for your support in ensuring our pupils are smartly dressed for school..

Christmas is coming...!

Dates for your diary:

- **Carol Concerts** This year we will be holding two festive Carol Concerts on the school playground. Parents and carers will be warmly welcomed to join us on the school playground to enjoy listening to the children perform carols, readings and share Christmas prayers. Mince pies, snacks and hot chocolate will be on sale!
Dates: Tuesday 14th December Years 3 & 6 from 4.00pm
Wednesday 15th December - Years 4 & 5 from 4.00pm
Please remember it will only be possible for two adults per child to attend the concert - no younger or older siblings please.
- **Chocolate raffle** We are going to be organising a Christmas chocolate raffle for the children. Each year group will hold their own individual raffles . We would like to ask for donations of any chocolates to create hampers. The children can then buy raffle tickets to enter for £1 each, during the week beginning Monday 13th December. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 16th December in year groups. Please can all donations of chocolate be handed to year group teams by **Friday 10th December** so that we have plenty of time to create the hampers!
- **Christmas Hamper** The staff will be putting together a special Christmas Hamper for parents and carers which will also be raffled. Tickets will be on sale on the playground after school during the last week of term for £1 a strip. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 16th December - good luck!
- **Christmas Lunch** ABM, our hot meal provider, will be serving a Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 15th December. If you have previously ordered a meal for 15th December please go on to your ParentPay account and rebook for the Christmas meal. Due to menu change any meals booked previously will have been deleted by ABM.
- **Christmas Services at St Barnabas Church:**



Wellbeing Household Support – Winter Hardship Fund

The government Household Support Fund aims to support households most in need of financial support this winter. Applications for a grant from the fund will be accepted from 1 December 2021 until 31 March 2022 (or until advised). This is a national scheme providing financial support to households struggling with the cost of living over the winter period. This covers a wide range of vulnerable households including those with or without children. The support fund is built around three support schemes:

School holiday food vouchers: Giving food vouchers during the school holidays directly to the parents or guardians of children living in low-income homes.

Household hardship vouchers: Supporting residents facing financial hardship with supermarket vouchers to buy food, essentials, and support household budgets to pay essential bills.

Winter fuel bank: Keeping the heat and light on in homes which have pre-payment energy meters by sending emergency top-up vouchers to households who lack the means to maintain supply. Please remember, you can also contact your energy supplier for additional support in the event of severe hardship.

Applying -If you already receive means-tested free school's meals you do not need to do anything, you will automatically receive school holiday food vouchers. Parents of eligible electively home-educated children, or those without a school place should call 0300 126 3000 to request a school holiday food voucher.

You can apply for household hardship vouchers or the winter fuel bank pre-payment meter top-ups, via the Citizens Advice Bureau. To find your nearest Citizens Advice Bureau please visit [Search for your local Citizens Advice Bureau](#) Or telephone 0808 196 9443 if you live in Wellingborough.

Christmas Recipe Ideas...

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Tooth friendly recipes and ideas for celebrations

These easy pitta bread trees taste great with guacamole and some chopped pepper .

Christmas

Have fun with fruit and vegetables this Christmas. What other ideas can you come up with?

