# **The Staverton Bell**

## December 2022 15th edition





Two of our gorgeous Nativity narrators!



Enjoying a delicious Christmas dinner



Mary and Joseph ready to impress all the grown-ups!



Here we are! The end of term 2. It's been quite a year for us all! This Friday marks a full 2 years for me at Staverton and it has been an honour and a privilege to lead the school in that time.

We've had the return of lots of the traditional things; nativities, Easter services, SATS, residential, picnics, sports days, trips and so forth. We've also had our OFSTED, closed for high winds, the death of the Monarchy and many more unexpected moments!

Together, parents, children and staff have accomplished so much! We still have a long way to go but we have so much to be proud of. Thank you for everything that you have done to support the life of the school, whether its that kind word of encouragement to a teacher, a friendly 'hello' on the playground, helping your child with the learning, or volunteering your time, we are really grateful for your involvement.

Below are some recent highlights, achievements and news items to celebrate in the lives of your wonderful children.

It's been a year full of challenges for us all, but the word that I am taking into 2023 is 'legacy'. I can't wait to see what the next year brings for Staverton, knowing that we are all building a great school for the future! Have a wonderful Christmas and peaceful New Year.



Mr Powe Headteacher



## Fundraising

#### Poppy Appeal

Please see below, a very appreciative email that was sent to us by The Royal British Legion in Trowbridge:





#### Children In Need

A huge Thank You to everyone for your generosity with Children In Need this year. Not only did we manage to raise a wonderful **£151.00** from our non-uniform donations, but we raised an enormous **£448.09** with the small change we asked you to send in to cover Pudsy Bear. We had so much that we ended up covering him four times! So thanks to everyone's amazingly kind donations, this years grand total has come to **£599.09** which will make such a huge difference to the charities and projects it goes to across the UK.







# Nativity

Thank you to all the parents who supported Reception and Keystage 1 with their Nativity performances. They all gave wonderful performances and we were super impressed with



# **Student Spotlight**

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Congratulations to our gorgeous Poppy in Sparrows class, who took part in her first Artistic Women's Gymnastics competition during October half term. She did amazingly well, coming 1st overall in her age group, 1st on beam, 2nd on vault and 3rd on floor. She also received a special rosette in the arts and crafts 'number' competition!

Well done Pops - we are so super proud of you!



Ladies and Gentlemen, I give you our Tapathon Superstars! Erin, Ava and Poppy in year 3 danced to Queen's Don't Stop Me Now for Children In Need & smashed it!

Lots of other tap dancers all over the country danced the same routine to the same song at exactly the same - all for Children In Need.

Well done girlies - we are all very proud of you for taking part in such a lovely thing!



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We love hearing what our students are getting up to outside of school and anything they are achieving. If they would like to be featured in the Staverton bell, please email I.adley@staverton.wilts.sch.uk

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A huge Congratulations to our wonderful Tegan who got a bronze medal in her gymnastics competition at the start of December! We are so super proud of you Tegan!





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An enormous congratulations to our lovely Ollie in Owls class, who not only achieved his purple belt in martial arts, but also got man of the match in his football game too. We are mega proud of you for these amazing accomplishments!



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# Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 4th January

Thursday 19th January

Monday 23rd January

6th February—10th February

13th February —17th February

Start of Term!

School Census day

Chinese New Year

Children's Mental Health week

Half Term

Please see the link on the school website and the online calendar for any additional dates/changes to dates

#### New Reception places

Thank you to those who have already joined us for tours of the school for reception. Do you have a child due to start school in September 2022 who would like to join our Robins class? Then we would love to hear from you! The deadline for application to the local authority is the 15th January.

Please get in touch if you would like to visit us and talk to one of the team.

EVERY DAY IS AN OPEN DAY!



## A moment to reflect...

