



**WILLOUGHBY**  
A PRIORY ACADEMY

## Willoughby Weekly

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

### Silverstone Interactive Museum

Pupils in Venus Flytrap, Snapdragon, Protea and Tiger Lily were visited on Monday by Charlie from Silverstone Interactive Museum. Pupils explored various components from racing cars and learnt about the different job roles in motor racing.



### Christmas Cake Competition – Update from Alison

Well done to everyone in their Food lessons this term, there have been some amazing products made. Lee from Cummins was in on Monday judging the Christmas Cakes and I am pleased to say that Ryan in Protea was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> place, with Kayden B and Thomas W runners up. In Snapdragon 1<sup>st</sup> place was Finlay T and runners up were Imogen and Liam. Congratulations to everyone. Creativity and imagination was outstanding.



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## Christmas Card Competition

All pupils across the academy were involved with this year's Christmas card competition. Volunteers from Cummins judged the cards and the winning cards were printed by BJ's Print and Design located in Stamford. Huge thanks, once again, go to Cummins who financed this project. We are pleased to announce the following class winners.

Buttercup - Saayon	Poppy - Cayson	Sunflower – Joseph
Water Lily - Teddie	Daisy - Jaxson	Daffodil – Joe
Cherry Blossom - Alfie	Venus Flytrap - Vinnie	Foxglove – Ariel
Protea – Harvey	Bluebell - Ollie	Jasmine – Jay
Snapdragon – Jan	Leopard Lily – Stephen	Tiger Lily - Samuel

## Christmas Update – By Hillary Hull (Performing Arts Teacher)

It has been a busy few weeks and we are all in the Christmas Spirit. As I write this, Santa has already visited Willoughby and I am pleased to announce that Poppy class won the Christmas tree decorating competition. Thank you to all who came to see our Christmas shows and voted. The Christmas door designs have now been judged and we are eagerly anticipating who has won. This week is full of lovely Christmas surprises with discos in the hall and today another Christmas Jumper Day!

A big thank you to Cummins volunteers for spreading the Christmas joy and delivering selection boxes to all pupils and for being Santa's helpers whilst on site.





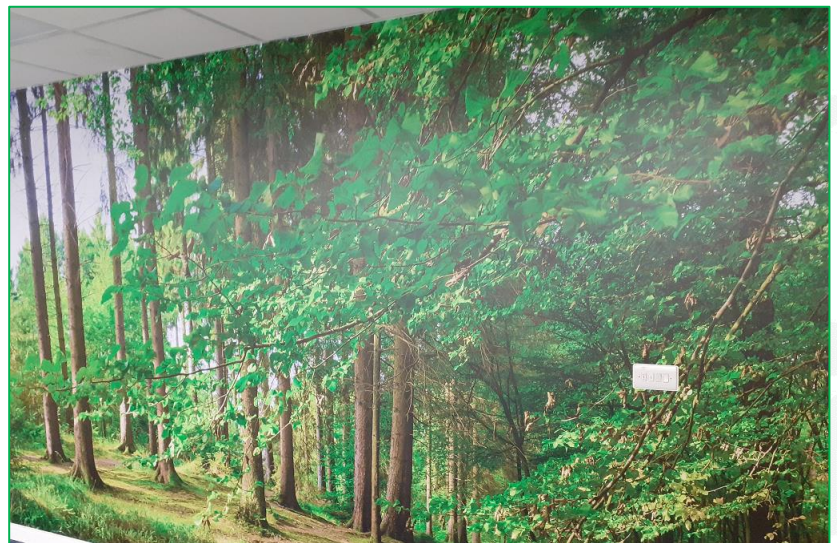
## Ideal School Meals

Please note, the ordering cut-off date is Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> December at 9am. If you miss this deadline please provide your child with a packed lunch for the first week back in January.

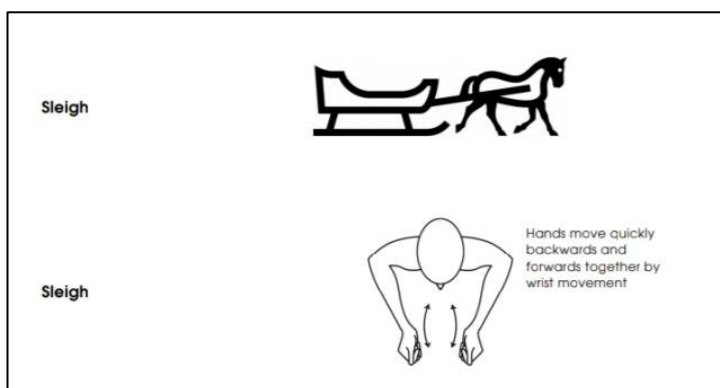


## Library Update

We are really excited to share the brilliant progress of the new library with you. It has been nearly a year in the planning and to finally see it taking shape is thrilling. During the term Dave, our Site Manager and Kieran, our Site Apprentice, have been busy stripping the room, filing holes, painting walls and preparing the room. They have both done a fantastic job to get the room ready for the amazing photographic woodland mural that was fitted last week by Productive Design, a local signage company. We would like to thank The BNI Foundation UK for an extremely generous grant of £1000 that we have put towards the cost of the mural. The BNI Foundation is a charity that supports initiatives that provide resources to educators and organisations that make success easier for children and they chose our school from a large number of applicants as being deserving of a grant. Next week, BookSpace will be in school to fit a new carpet and then the furniture so that the library will be complete for when the children come back to school in January! We will update you with more photos of the finished library in the New Year and hope that you are as excited as us about how much all the children will benefit from this inspiring new space.



## Makaton Countdown to Christmas



## Star of the Week

Pupil	Class	Reason
Whole Class	Daisy	For a brilliant performance in the Christmas performance.
Ajay	Water Lily	For great work in PECS this week.
Whole Class	Sunflower	For embracing all the Christmas activities and craziness.
Alexa	Poppy	For communicating lots of single words.
Henry	Buttercup	For touching a symbol to make a food choice at snack time.
Matthew	Daffodil	For working hard in his new walker.
Ariel	Foxglove	For amazing participation in the school disco.
Whole Class	Leopard Lily	For successful enterprise projects this term as well as planning a successful celebratory breakfast this week.
Whole Class	Tiger Lily	For successful enterprise projects this term as well as planning a successful celebratory breakfast this week.
Alex and Roman	Venus Flytrap	For being really supportive to their friends this week.
James R	Protea	For being supportive and kind to his friends this week.
Lucas	Snapdragon	For fantastic participation during the F1 STEM session.
Whole Class	Bluebell	For being a bunch of super stars all term.
Matthew	Jasmine	For super interactions during our Christmas disco.
Lottie	Cherry Blossom	For doing fantastic listening and following or instructions.

## Diary Dates

Date	Event
Christmas Holidays	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December – Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January.
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> December at 9am	Ideal Meals cut-off date to order lunches.
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Staff Training Day.
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Start of Term.
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	End of Term.
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term.
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Start of Term.

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