

# Weekly Newsletter

## Friday 1st December 2023

240th anniversary

Dear parents and carers

Pinch, punch, 1<sup>st</sup> of the busiest of all the months! Yes, today is the 1<sup>st</sup> December – or ‘Elf Day’ as it seems to have become known in Felbridge. No carpet or glitter pot is safe for the next ten days as they hold their annual party throughout the classrooms. Spare a thought for Mr Keetley and his Hoover!



This time last year, we tried out holding a ‘Christmas Wishlist’ for much-needed up-to-date library books, and your support was phenomenal. We are still enjoying discovering the amazing authors and titles bought as a result. This year is a little bit different and is inspired by our new English curriculum - called ‘The Literacy Tree’ - which brings another range of new, exciting titles into our writing work. Children are loving discovering books about the ship’s cat on the Titanic; what happens to Leon when he goes inside a magician’s magic trick; and the adventures of the Naughty Bus to name but three. Year 5’s latest inspirational text yesterday (The High-Rise mystery by Sharna Jackson) even resulted in Mr Hogan, Mrs Letchford and Miss Riggs being accused of kidnapping a squirrel! (clearly all of us are far too well-behaved to be involved in such crimes...)



The new curriculum has a huge range of books to choose from, and we would love to have a collection of each book in school, both to help when choosing and preparing the next unit, and to allow children to keep enjoying the books after they’ve finished the English units in lessons. We have therefore created a wishlist which features every text available to use in the Literacy Tree planning outlines. If you would like to purchase a book for your child’s class, or just a title you like the look of, please do have a look as soon as possible so that orders arrive by the end of term. The wishlist will however stay open into January so don’t worry if you need more time to have a look.

As with last year’s appeal, every little purchase adds up to an amazing, exciting whole which benefits our work with the children, so we are very grateful for any support you can give and thank you in advance. **Please visit the link below or scan the QR code to buy anything from the list and have it sent to school: <https://amzn.eu/5fLB4Ma>**



If you are coming to the fair tomorrow, see you there. There’s still time to sign up to help as, just like the above, every little helps! See here for more: <https://signup.com/go/eiZMQB>

Mr Hogan-Fleming and Mrs Sims

### Term Dates

<b>2nd December</b> Christmas Fair
<b>7th December</b> Whole School Pantomime - £3.50 per child
<b>11th December</b> Infant Nativity - 5 pm
<b>12th December</b> Infant Nativity - 9.15 am
<b>12th December</b> Junior Christmas Celebration - 2 pm
<b>12th December</b> Infant Christmas Parties
<b>12th December</b> Junior Christmas Celebration 6 pm
<b>13th December</b> Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children - Suggested minimum donation £2
<b>14th December</b> Junior Christmas Parties
<b>15th December</b> Last Day of Term - 1.20 pm
<b>Tuesday, 2nd January</b> Back to School

We wouldn’t normally share parents’ travel plans with you all... but we thought this was a bit different!



Ian (our Vice-Chair of Governors) and Lish Kelly, who many of you will know as longstanding Felbridge parents, are climbing Mount Toubkal to raise money for the rebuilding of schools affected by the Moroccan earthquake. At over 4000 metres tall, this is quite some challenge and a very worthy cause. Good luck to both, and if you would like to know more or to donate, please visit their fundraising page: <https://www.globalgiving.org/fundraisers/47889/>

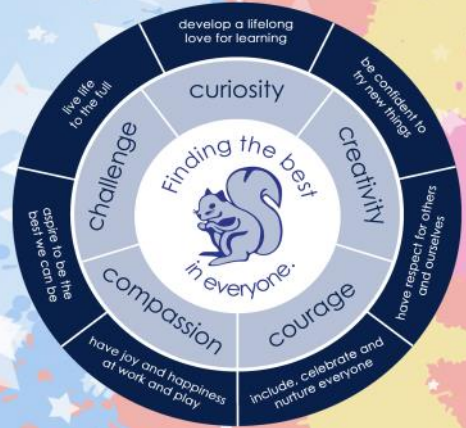




# Values Champion

Well done to the following children who have received certificates this week:

- Ella for Challenge - Geckos
- Timos for Challenge - Monkeys
- Oscar for Courage - Leopards
- Hattie for Challenge - Pandas
- Bella for All Values - Toucans
- Zack for Curiosity - Macaws
- Romy for Challenge - Jaguars



Well done!

## Mathletics

Bronze		Silver		Gold	Platinum	Emerald	Diamond	Epic	Legend
<b>Monkeys</b>	<b>Toucans</b>	<b>Monkeys</b>	<b>Pandas</b>	<b>Monkeys</b>					
Ollie II	Seb I	Fionn IV	Everly I	Holly I					
Iris IV	Maisie I	Imogen V	Hattie IV	Seb W II					
Seb M III	Sophia II	Timos III	Freddie V	<b>Leopards</b>					
Spencer V	<b>Jaguars</b>	<b>Leopards</b>	Eloise III	Jasmine II					
<b>Pandas</b>	David III	Audrey V	<b>Toucans</b>	William IV					
Jared III	Florence IV	Florence V	Mickey II	Billy II					
Josie V	Freddie II	Martha III	Bella IV	<b>Pandas</b>					
	Sonny II	Oliver III	<b>Macaws</b>	Alina I					
	Ethan II	Jasmine V	Amelie II	Darcie III					
	Alex III	Jack V	Jenson V	Finlay III					
		Leila MS IV	Mia IV	<b>Toucans</b>					
		Oscar IV	Joshua III	Evan IV					
		Freya V		Jack I					
				Florence II					
				<b>Macaws</b>					
				Alisha I					
				<b>Jaguars</b>					
				Ayla IV					
				Tegan II					

Mathletics: Monday, 20th November - Sunday, 26th November

### Attendance

Attendance this week:	Geckos:	Monkeys:	Leopards:	Pandas:	Toucans:	Macaws:	Jaguars:	Whole School:
	98%	79%	94%	95%	95%	96%	95%	93%



### Pandas Class - Polar Express

Year 3 enjoyed an invite to the Polar Express today.

We had the fire going, Christmas music and traditional carols playing and we all felt very festive! Pandas enjoyed dressing in their PJs, drinking hot chocolate and getting into the season through exploring the world of the Polar Express. We also did some fantastic group work!



### A Big Thank You to Doves Barn Nursery



Thank you to Doves Barn nursery for supplying us with our school Christmas tree again this year.

They now have in stock an amazing range of Christmas trees, accessories and decorations.

If you're feeling Christmassy, or after a real tree this year, pop in and see what they have to offer.

**DOVES BARN**  
NURSERY

Felbridge Primary School PTA

# Christmas Fair

**When** 2nd December 12-3pm

**Where** Felbridge Primary School

**Free entry**

Hot and cold drinks  
Children can shop for your gift at Felbridge  
Christmas games  
Santas Grotto  
Shop at our Christmas market  
Home-made cakes  
Mulled wine and mince pies

Grotto tickets need to be purchased in advance from [www.pta-events.co.uk/felbridgeprimarypta](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/felbridgeprimarypta) or by using this QR code

Sneak Peak...

[www.canva.com/design/DAFz2ew\\_Mmo/4NqdeGydwoXky-WbCVLXFQ/view?utm\\_content=DAFz2ew\\_Mmo&utm\\_campaign=designshare&utm\\_medium=link&utm\\_source=editor](https://www.canva.com/design/DAFz2ew_Mmo/4NqdeGydwoXky-WbCVLXFQ/view?utm_content=DAFz2ew_Mmo&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link&utm_source=editor)

**ART STYLES ACADEMY**  
JESSICA NICHOLAS

**At the Felbridge School Christmas Fair 2nd Dec 12 - 3pm**

Decorate a Bauble £2 each

Box of 6 marbled Baubles. £16  
Buy two boxes for £28

Large Marbled Baubles £3.50

Take home decorate Christmas Eve Plate £10

Decorate yourself and bake in your oven to 'cure' to enjoy year after year on Christmas Eve

Take home bauble marbling kit £25

Box of 6 leopard Baubles £14

CHRISTMAS 2023  
By local artisans  
Dec 2nd 5-7pm

GREEN MARBLE

NEON

LEOPARD

LOT'S OF COLOURS TO SUIT ALL TASTES

RED FOR THE MORE TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS TREES

drink for Santa  
carrot for the Peindeer!  
mince Pie






**GROOVELINE**  
MUSIC EDUCATION  
**WEEKLY PODCAST**  
With Will Bennett  
Monday 07:30AM @GroovelineMusicEducation

**HEARD IT...  
THROUGH THE  
GROOVELINE  
PODCAST**

IN ASSOCIATION WITH GROOVELINE MUSIC EDUCATION

Grooveline Music Education have released a new podcast series which is aimed at parents to help them best support their child's music education (even if they're not musical themselves). Titled "Heard It Through The Grooveline", there is a new episode every Monday and it is available on Spotify, Amazon and Apple. This will be really useful for any parents of children who are studying music!



*Holloway Wright*

**20% OFF**

**New bookings**  
Colour - Cuts -  
Treatments- Beauty

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