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The Meppershall Magazine

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to you all and welcome to the spring term. As I embark on my second year as Head of School, I would like to update you on a few highlights from last half term.

Halloween Disco - MAPTA once again delivered a superb event which was loved by the children and their families alike. There were some fantastic costumes with everyone making the effort to dress up.

Remembrance Day - I was very proud to take the eldest girl and boy in the school to lay a wreath at the memorial in the church yard. Afterwards we attended the Remembrance Service in the church. We were very proud of the mature way in which the pupils conducted themselves.

Christingle - Keith and Ruth came in for collective worship and explained to the pupils the meaning of each element of the Christingle. We would like to thank the church for giving each pupil a Christingle bag to take home and we hope you enjoyed making them.

Christmas - We were extremely grateful to be able to put on all our shows at the end of term. Teachers worked really hard with the pupils to give them the best experience possible. The fear of having to cancel due to COVID was very real but by moving the performance from school to the village hall we were able to have the space to socially distance and the show did go on. Considering many of the pupils have not had the opportunity to perform on stage in front of an audience before and given that their ages ranged from four to nine, they did so well. If for any reason you were unable to attend there is a film available on our website.

On Tuesday 14th December KS2 performed their Carol Concert at Henlow Church of England Academy Auditorium. We would like to thank Henlow for providing such an amazing venue and the pupils, once again, performed brilliantly. Finally, we were able to hold our Grandparents' Concert in the school hall on the Thursday. It was lovely for the children to be able to perform to extended family members.

On the last day of term MAPTA drew their bumper raffle and gave every child in the school a selection box to take home. I would like to extend my thanks to them once again for all the hard work they put in to support the school and its pupils.

Most of this newsletter is taken up with lots of lovely photographs taken over the last half term. We hope you enjoy looking at them all.

We were all really overwhelmed with the generosity of your cards, gifts and good wishes. They are very much appreciated and we in turn would like to thank you all for the support you give to the school and wish you a very happy new year.

Kind regards,

Mrs Newman

Our Beautiful Tree

Thank you Henlow Church of England Academy for our lovely tree.



Year 4 with their Christmas books



A gift from Mrs Earp



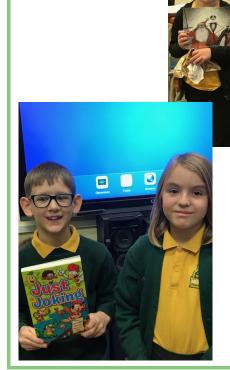
MAPTA Children braving the storm at Shefford Light Switch on



Miss Hornsey presented each class with a Christmas book.



Teachers and children enjoyed sharing them



Christingle



Thank you to Rev. Roni and the church for the Christingle bags and to Keith and Ruth for coming into school and sharing the significance of the Christingle in collective worship.



Christmas Dinner

Sharon did a brilliant - not sure we can say the same for her assistant!





Back in December we had drama in the office!
When Mrs Halford went to leave the office, the handle broke trapping her and Mrs Calver inside.
Luckily Mr Norman was able to whizz over and release them nearly an hour later!



Thank you for all your donations for after school club. The children (and Miss Biswell)are really enjoying them.



Indoor Athletics for Year 4 at Henlow CE Academy





Commendations



These are awarded for Academic Achievement ...



...and effort



We can hardly believe Acorns have been here for a whole term—they have settled in brilliantly

