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Dear Parents

It has been a very wintery week and has not felt very spring-like at all as we returned for our spring term on Tuesday; however, we have enjoyed a busy week, which has helped keep us warm including a very loud science lesson in Year 4, Roman adventures in Year 3 and exploration of North America in Year 6.

Next week Year 6 will be enjoying a virtual work shop by the National War Museum focused on the role that propaganda plays in War time for their history topic and our footballers travel the short distance to St David's School on Tuesday for 5-a-side match on their astro pitch—we wish them the best of luck.

Our Clubs are back underway next week and we are very excited to be able to welcome Danielle Fox, a very experienced netball coach who brings Foxes Netball to Laleham Lea for the first time. Our Coding Club enjoyed a successful launch last term and this has now expanded to include Robotics for Years 1&2 and Coding for Years 3-6 which are both proving popular. Chess and Tennis also return and are both now available to more year groups. If you have not had the chance already, please do let Mrs Edwards know which clubs your child would like to attend or book directly with external providers.

I hope everyone stays warm and cosy this weekend.

Mrs Reece

Acting Headteacher

## House Points Scores

<b>This week: 310</b> <b>Total—1114</b>	<b>This week: 104</b> <b>Total—825</b>	<b>This week: 208</b> <b>Total—929</b>	<b>This week: 192</b> <b>Total—926</b>
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A reminder that our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Khan and our Deputy DSLs are Mrs Reece & Mrs Saville, they can be contacted with any concerns or queries on—[safeguarding@lalehamlea.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@lalehamlea.co.uk)



# THE CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL



We started our new term and a new year on Tuesday with our Celebration of the Word Assembly where we celebrated Epiphany together and learnt all about the journey of the wise men who came to worship Jesus

***After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." Matthew 2:1-2***



As part of their Christmas homework Year 5 were set the task of creating art work based on the Epiphany and made these colourful pictures, paintings, drawings and models.

**Mass at John The Baptist**—Year 6 students started their new year with a visit to Mass at John the Baptist on Tuesday. Our rota continues with Year 1 attending next Tuesday, then—Year 5 Tues 21st Jan, Year 3 Tues 28th Jan, Year 4 Tues 4th Feb and Year 2 Tues 11th Feb.



**Our first school Mass of 2025 will take place at The John Fisher Chapel on Friday January 24th at 9.30am. Year 1-6 will attend and parents of children in all year groups are invited to join us too.**

## Stars of the week



## Nursery

This week Nursery have been learning all about winter. The children enjoyed participating in a variety of activities including:

- Listening to 'The Biggest Snowman Ever' story and discussing the characters and what happened in the story with their friends.
- Using white paint and a variety of media and materials to create their own snowman on black paper.
- Completing a 'winter' counting sheet using a number line to help.
- Using a variety of materials and pictures to create our own winter posters.



## Reception



Welcome back to school after the Christmas holidays!

It's been a fantastic first week as the children have eagerly shared their incredible home learning, including some fascinating space facts. In class, we've been diving into the wonders of our solar system, and the children tested their knowledge of the planets by completing a fun cut-and-stick activity to arrange them in the correct order.

Well done to Reception class for a brilliant start to the term—keep up the great work!

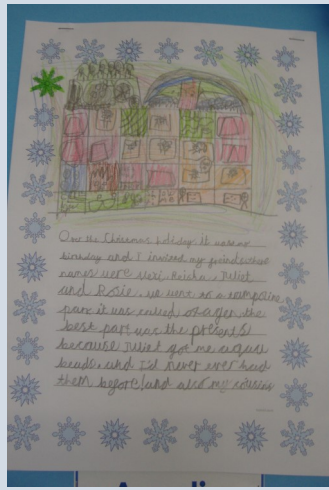
## Year 1



This week in Literacy in Year 1 have been introduced to the story of 'Old Bear' by Jane Hissey. They wrote thoughtful sentences about how they would feel if they were Old Bear.



## Year 2



Year 2 have written some excellent recounts of their Christmas holidays to go on our 'Wonderful Writing' display.

## Year 3



Year 3 are fully immersed in their Roman topic and over the holidays have created amazing mosaics and shields as part of their homework project. They are looking forward to making more colourful mosaics and replica Roman armour over the coming weeks.

## Year 4



Year 4 started the New Year with a bang! They thoroughly enjoyed their Science lesson understanding how sources of sound vibrate, creating sound. They enjoyed drumming away and observing rice grains vibrate, as well as using a tuning fork to visualise these vibrations through water.

## Year 6



Year 6 have been very busy over the holidays researching North American countries and producing some fantastic posters for display in our classroom.

Where shall we choose for a virtual tour: Cuba, Costa Rica or Canada?

(Mrs Ting's vote is for Costa Rica!)