

## NASEBY C of E NEWSLETTER



17th December 2021





#### **TOP NEWS**

- Fantastic Fox cubs 'Nativity' was huge success.
- Santa drops into deliver gifts at Naseby C of E!

#### **Head's Update**

This week has truly been 'The most wonderful time of the year' – so far! We shared parents' joy in being able to watch the wonderful 'Nativity' performance by Fantastic Fox cubs Class at All Saint's church. An enormous well done to all the children and the staff for their hard work – it was brilliant. I would also like to thank parents, for their support and understanding regarding restrictions and ticket allocations – enabling the live performance to go ahead, safely. The staff and myself have been delighted by the emails of congratulations and thanks. We would also like to thank Canon Miranda and Margaret for their help prior to, during and after the Nativity performances.

A reminder that All Saints Church will be open this Saturday from 2-4pm for parents and families to go and look at the models that each class have made to represent different moments from the Nativity. They look super!

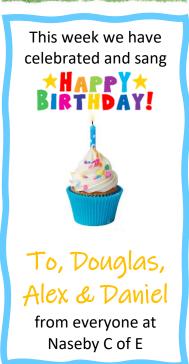
We have also enjoyed class parties, a pantomime and our very first Christmas dinner with the whole school dining at the same time! Mrs. Heathfield did an incredible job of cooking and serving a delicious Christmas dinner for 85 people! The hall looked extremely festive with tables decorated in Christmas wrapping, placemats with Christmas poems on made by the children and crackers. The whole staff and Annabel helped to serve lunch before dining together. Entertainment included an impromptu Christmas dance section to 'In Dulci Jubilo' by staff, poems written and read aloud by the Busy Badgers class and Christmas songs playing in the background.

On our final day we are looking forward to 'Carols around the Tree' in the afternoon and I have been reliably informed there will be a 'special visit' from Santa himself!

I would like to say thank you for a warm and supportive welcome from governors, staff, children and parents in my first two terms at Naseby. I have thoroughly enjoyed it and look forward to an exciting 2022. The staff, children & myself would like to wish all families a happy and peaceful Christmas break. There is really only one way to sign off this week's newsletter; in the words of Tiny Tim from 'A

This term's Collective Worship theme; 'Community'





Christmas Carol', "God Bless us, everyone!".

\*\*Mrs Cook\*\*



### Fantastic Fox Cubs

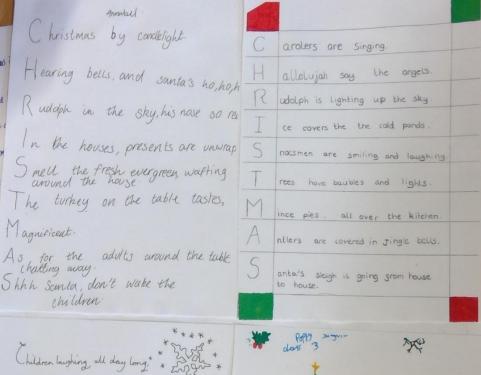






## **Christmas Poems by Wise Wolves Class**







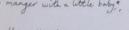






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manger with a little baby,"



Melping others to get in the spirit.

Peindeer flying through the sky " &

I can hear him on the roof, "

Set out on the dinner table "

welling the love in the air.

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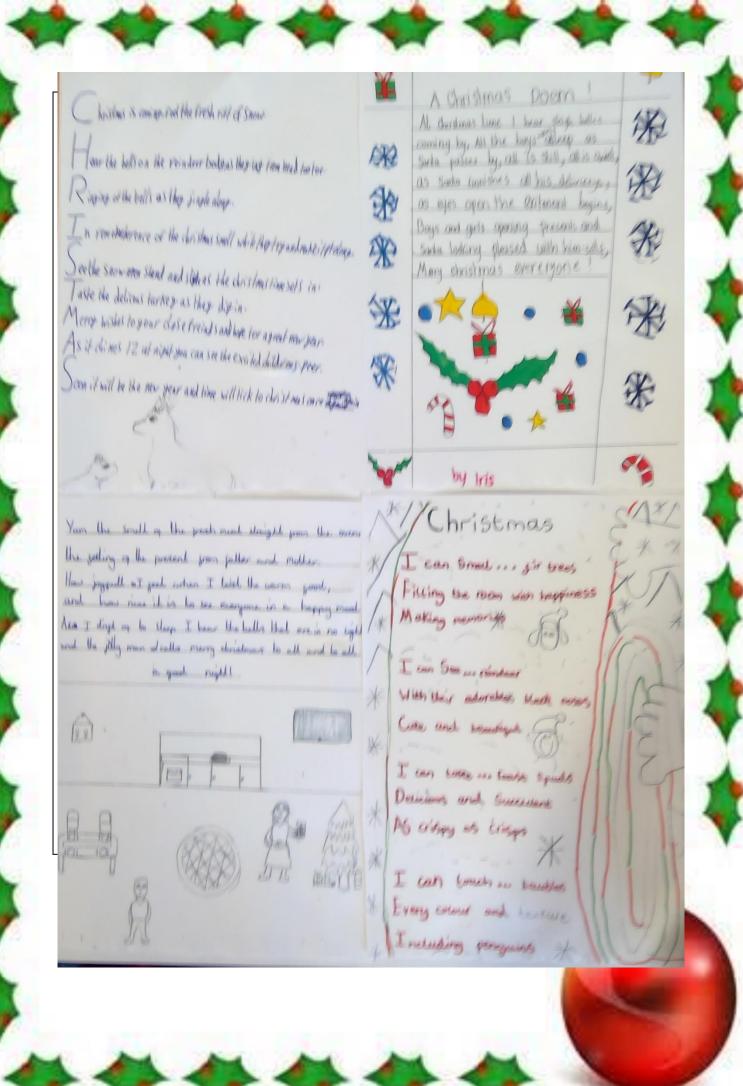
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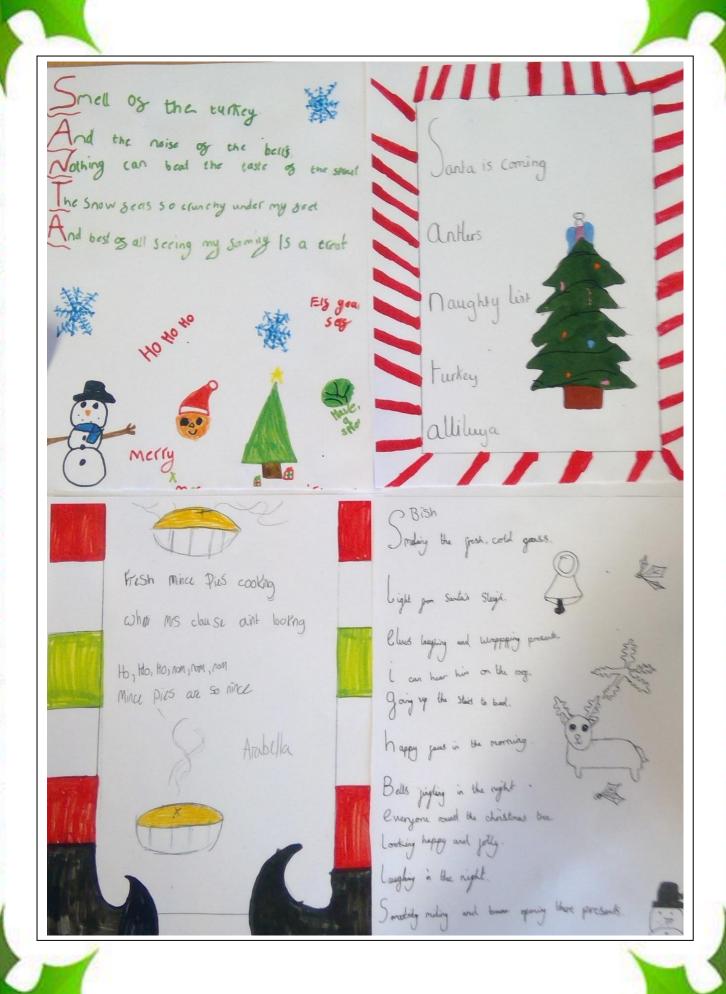
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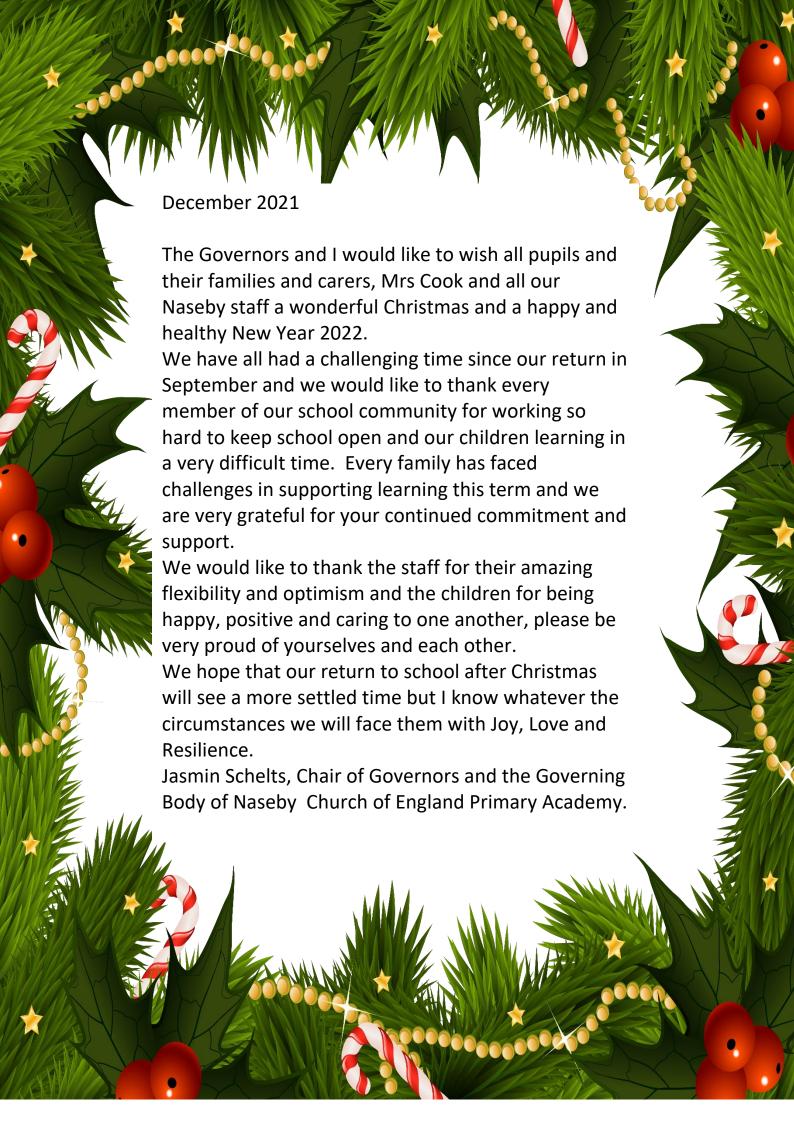
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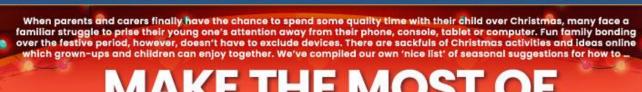
I smell candy canes and white spaces.











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SNOW...

#### EAT, DRINK AND BE MERRY

Budding bakers will relish helping out in the kitchen with some tasty festive treats. Spend some time together researching child-friendly Christmas recipes online (the BBC Good Food site is an excellent place to start), and then you and your little elves can rustle up gingerbread santas, marshmallow snowmen or reindeer shortbread. The only thing that's more fun is eating your creations afterwards!

#### THE OLD SONGS ARE

We've all had that Christmas compliation CD that was almost perfect, if it wasn't inexplicably missing one of your best-loved tracks. In this era of music streaming, however, your little helpers can assist you in compiling a definitive playlist of all your favourite seasonal songs – no more pining for The Pretenders or wishing for Wizzard.

#### DECK THE HALLS

There's no such thing as 'too many' Christmas trimmings! Let your child channel their excitement into some creative crafting, and you'll make memories as well as your own DIY decorations. There are loads of step-by-step guides online (including video walkthroughs on YouTube) for seasonal showpieces like paper plate angels, handprint wreaths and cupcake wrapper Christmas trees.

#### A WINTER'S TALE

Everyone enjoys a story at this time of year: after all, the whole celebration is based on an engrossing yarn. Sites such as Audible are an excellent way of entertaining excited young ones, with classics like Dickens' A Christmas Carol and seasonal short stories by Enid Blyton alongside more contemporary Christmas tales by the likes of Tom Fletcher, JK Rowling and Ben Miller.

BROUGHT ME SOME CORN FOR POPPIN'

Snuggling up against the winter weather with the family (and a generous helping of chocolates) to enjoy a well-loved movie is a delightful Christmas tradition. The usual streaming services have some classic candidates on offer: Home Alone and The Santa Clause are on Disney+, while Amazon Prime has Elf and The Grinch, and Netflix goes with The Princess Switch and The Christmas Chronicles.

#### CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THOSE FACES

#### GUESS WHAT I FORGOT?

Friends and family pitting their wits against each other on Zoom, Teams or Skype really took off during lockdown, so why not revive the tradition over the holidays? Your questions could be on the biggest news, sport and showbiz stories of 2021, or be Christmas themed, or you could stick to classic general knowledge. Ideal for those days between Christmas and New Year.

#### A WORLD OUTSIDE YOUR

From turkey on the beach in Australia to roller-skating to church in Venezuela, Christmas is celebrated in a variety of ways worldwide – curious youngsters might enjoy discovering other nations' festive traditions online. Google's Santa Tracker is a brilliant (and free) starting point, with games, activities and animations to help children enjoy learning as they count down to the big day!

#### THE NEAR AND THE **DEAR ONES**

Between time constraints, distance, the weather and Covid precautions (or a combination of all four) for many families it just won't be possible to physically spend time with everyone they'd ideally like to this Christmas. Video calling technology, of course, takes som the sting out of the disappointme virtually transporting loved ones your living room.

#### KIDS FROM ONE TO 92

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