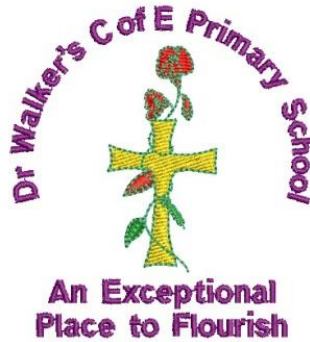


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Build **Perseverance** and **Creativity**.

Combine Christian values with **Courage** and **Compassion** for us to become successful British Citizens.



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Attendance Ted will be in Caterpillars and Ladybird Classes next week - 97.5% - Well Done!

Please be aware that holidays taken during term time could incur a penalty to parents by the Education Welfare Service. Please see our website for the school's Attendance Policy and a copy of the letter informing parents of the possibility of incurring a penalty by taking holidays during term time. Holidays in September will automatically incur a fine - please see our attendance policy for more information. Children who attend 98% and above will receive a text for them and their parents or carers. This is to congratulate them for good learning behaviours that will stay with them for life.

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS 95.9%

Christmas Fair: Thank you so much to everyone who helped and attended our Christmas Fair - it was a lovely event. A special thanks to all the Happy helpers and Cheryl Fry who make it all possible. We raised just over £575.00 which is amazing! Thank you. This will go towards our new whole school project of updating the school hall for 2020.



Progress Cards: You will receive your child's progress card for Autumn 2 on Monday. It will follow the same format that was given to all parents and carers during our learning conferences last half term. I hope you find this information helpful in assessing your child's progress and their predicted attainment at the end of the year. If you would like to discuss any information on the progress card, please do not hesitate to book an appointment to see your child's class teacher in January.

Christmas Dinner: Today, you will receive a letter regarding your child's order of Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 18th. We look forward to having a whole school dinner to end a wonderful term together. Please return your slip by Monday. Children can be picked up at 1.30pm on Wednesday 18th December.

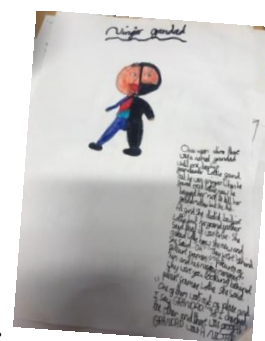


Christingle Service - Our annual Christingle service will take place on Monday 16th December. It will begin at 2.30pm at St Nicholas Church. Everyone is welcome to join us if able. Children should be picked up from the church at normal school pick up times.

Class Collective Worships: This term, the Class Collective Worships have been a real joy and thank you to all the families and parents who have been able to support these. We will be repeating this every term now as it is wonderful to spend time together reflecting on our school values and core vision. A big well done to the children and staff for putting these together. This week we saw Badgers reminding us of the importance of compassion and walking in someone else's shoes. It was an important reminder to us all.



Peggy and Vera: They are both well and have recovered from their minor operation recently. Last week, Peggy came into school and spent some time with some of our children. She particularly enjoys saying hello in the morning on the gate. They were very lucky this week as they have received their first Christmas cards. Thank you Dylan!



Inter-house Winners:

A big well done to Charlotte in Normans who won a ribbon for Normans for her creation of a new David Walliams character - Ninja Grandad! The reindeer woodland scene winner was Tyler in Romans. Well done to them both.

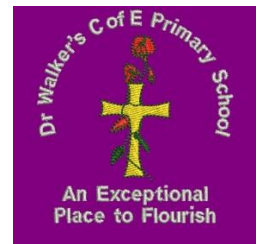
There were some fantastic entries for both competitions and we look forward to more inter-house competitions in the Spring term.



Dates for your Diary

- Monday 16th December - Christingle Carol Service at St Nicholas Church - children to be picked up from Church at 3.15pm. Service begins at 2.30pm all families welcome.
- Wednesday 18th December - Whole school Christmas lunch.
- Wednesday 18th December - Children can be picked up at 1.30pm
- Wednesday 18th December - End of term
- Thursday 19th December - INSET Non Pupil Day
- Monday 6th January - Spring term begins
- Monday 17th - 21st February - Half term
- Monday 24th February - INSET Non Pupil Day

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