

Thank you for the fantastic support at our performances this week and last Friday. Your children were amazing and we are now looking forward to our Year 5 and 6 final performance of this year which will take place at 2 pm on Monday afternoon. All money raised from the performances will go towards our new natural garden which we hope to have built at the back of the school, so thank you to all of those people who were able to buy tickets and attend. We will confirm the total raised from the performances in next week's newsletter. Jayne Kennedy

### Performances



Well done to EYFS, KS1 and LKS2 for their performances this week. The children thoroughly enjoyed watching their peer's dress rehearsals and we hope the parents did too! Thank you for coming to show your support. UKS2 will have their performance of 'Mr Humbug sees the Light' on Monday afternoon at 2 pm and we look forward to seeing Year 5 and 6 parents then.

### Year 5/6

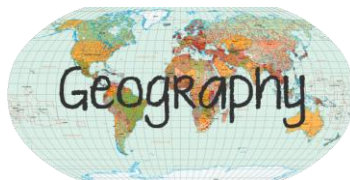


Year 5/6 have had a busy half term. They have loved their geography topic 'Our Home' and have enjoyed comparing Chorlton with the small Scottish Isle of Canna. Canna is the westernmost of the Small Isles archipelago, in the Scottish Inner Hebrides. It is linked to the neighbouring island of Sanday by a road

and sandbanks at low tide. The island is 4.3 miles (6.9 km) long and 1 mile (1.6 km) wide. The isolated skerries of Hyskeir and Humla lie 6.2 miles (10.0 km) south west of the island. The children have been very engaged with the unit and have carried out lots of research. Last week, we did some fieldwork and went on a local area walk. The children were confidently able to say what type of land use they could see around Chorlton. They then used digital maps to compare the land use in Canna. The children will be completing a Design Technology unit next week linked with this topic.



### FOCUS OF THE WEEK



The whole school focus for geography this half term has been 'Our Home'. The children

have built their knowledge on this topic through three main thinking concepts: similarities and differences, analysing and interpreting and perspectives. Year 1/2 learnt about our local area and thought about how the land has been used. They also discussed their perspectives on Chorlton and explained how they feel about living here. Year 3/4 compared Chorlton to Whaley



Bridge. They took a trip to Whaley Bridge and then went on a Chorlton walk so that they could see the key similarities and differences. Year 5/6 compared Chorlton to Canna. They used digital maps to analyse the land use in Canna and were able to describe the differences between the two locations.

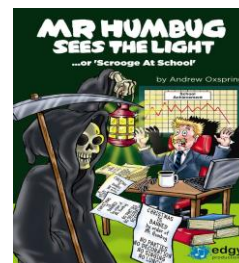
### Christmas jumper and cake sale



Thank you to all those parents and children who supported our Emmeline's Pantry appeal by wearing their Christmas or winter jumpers for a donation to the appeal or by bringing in cakes for our cake sale and/or buying cakes from the sale.

The final total raised will be published in next week's newsletter.

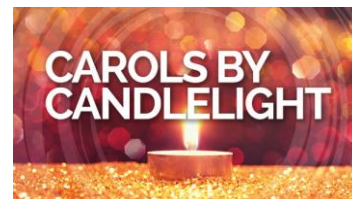
### Christmas Performances



Our UKS2 (Year 5+6) performance will take place this Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> December at 2 pm.

Tickets costing £1, are still available for those parents who have not yet purchased them.

### Carols by Candlelight



Our Carols by Candlelight Performance will take place next Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> December at 1:30 pm. Those parents whose tickets were drawn out of the box by Ms Kennedy will be informed by School Cal message. Tickets can be collected from the office next week.

**Please ensure that you are in your seats for before the performance or carol service starts**



### Activity and sporting clubs

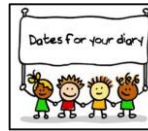
All activity clubs run by school staff have now finished for this term. There will be no staff clubs running next week.. Sports clubs run by Little Sports coaching will be on during the last week of term as will all breakfast clubs.

### Last dates for payments

Today is the last date for milk payments. Please inform the office if your child wants milk and you haven't yet paid.



**Week Commencing 16th December 2019**



- Mon 16** Lost worlds competition Visit  
Y5/6 Performance 2 pm
- Tues 17** Intrahealth Nasal flu cath-up session  
Nursery Be Active Session
- Wed 18** Christmas dinner
- Thur 19** Party Day
- Fri 20** No swimming  
Carols By candlelight 1:30 pm  
Break-up 2 pm – No after school club



**UPCOMING DATES** (please see our website for more events and changes)

**January**

- Mon 6** Return to school  
Attendance Assembly EYFS/KS1  
January Reading month starts
- Tues 7** Attendance Assembly KS2
- Tues 14** South Dodgeball. Where : Parrs Wood High School - Wilmslow Road – 3:45 – 6 pm.
- Wed 22** Central Basketball Inspire Competition. 3:45 pm - 5:30 pm Whalley Range High School - Wilbraham Road, Manchester, M16 8GW



**Well done to those children who have received certificates this week for demonstrating excellent behaviours that are supporting their learning and helping them to achieve well.**

**Evie, Jenson, 2NA+2SK Whole Class  
Yahya, Muhammad, Aaleyah, Daniel, Mark, Mariam**

**If your child is to receive a certificate in our Celebration Assembly on Monday at 9:10 am we will send out a message on School Cal to let you know**

**Attendance overview from 2/12/19 to 6/12/19**

Attendance 92.9% Unauthorised Absence 1.5%

Nur B 88.5%	Nur 90.6 %	Rec O 90.9%
1MJ 90.4%	2NA 99.5%	2SK 80.0%
3KF 95.5%	¾ AC 96.6%	4AM 96.7%
5AV 94.3%	5/6EH 95.6%	6SP 89.3%



# Reception

**Don't forget to apply for your Reception Class place if you haven't done so already. Last date 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

[Please click here](#)

**Nasal Flu catch-up session**



Thank you to all those parents who have returned their flu vaccine forms, either giving or refusing consent for the nasal spray. Our flu nasal spray catch-up session will take place this Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December. If you have not booked your child in, but would like them to have it, please contact the Intrahealth team on 0333 3583 397.



**Thur 12 Dec School Closed Polling station**

- Fri 20 December Break Up Christmas 2pm
- Mon 6 January – Return to School
- Fri 14 Feb – Break-up Half-Term 3 pm
- Mon 24 February – Return to school
- Fri 3 April - Break-up Easter – 2 pm
- Mon 20 April – Return to school
- Thurs May 7 - School Closed Polling station
- Fri 8 May – School closed VE Day celebrations Bank Holiday
- Fri 22 May – Break-up 3 pm
- Mon 1 June – Return to school
- Friday 17 July – Break-up for summer 2pm
- Mon 20 July – School closed INSET DAY



**Barlow Hall Blogs**

Don't forget to check out our Blogs to find out more about what has been happening in school by pressing (Ctrl) and clicking on our home page link below or your child's class/phase page.

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- UKS2 (Year 5 and 6)**