

LAYTON PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2023



Well, it's 'beginning to look a lot like Christmas' in school this week!

On Tuesday evening, Layton Primary School Choir starred in the Christmas Festival held in the Empress Ballroom. Sixty-one of our children were part of 'Blackpool School's Mass Choir' as they sung a medley of Christmas favourites or played the violin or guitar in the orchestra. The children were an absolute credit to our school in terms of talent, behaviour and their support of other performances.

Thank you for your support at this sell-out event and to those who joined in with 'The Twelve Days of Christmas'!

Wednesday afternoon was filled with festive fair fun and thank you for all who supported the Christmas Fair! After Christmas and once we have counted the money raised, the Pupil Leadership Team will discuss how it will be spent to support work in school.

A special mention to all our performers in school this week. Foundation Stage performed in their classrooms at Stay N Play, whilst Year 1 and 2 took to the stage to perform songs alongside some poetry and rhyme!

Thank you for the audience participation at these events too.

In other news, Elmer has arrived in school and all children in our school community have designed how they would like Elmer to be painted based on the inspiration of nature. The winning design will be chosen next week, and all children will help paint Elmer in January! Our Elmer will be part of the Elmer Wild Art Parade project next year!

Happy weekend all!

Have you herd the news about Elmer's Big Parade Blackpool 2024?

In Spring 2024 Blackpool will be brought to life by a herd of uniquely decorated, amazingly creative, elephant sculptures!

The free, family-friendly art trail – a collaboration between Brian House Children's Hospice, Wild in Art and Andersen Press, brings David McKee's popular children's character Elmer the Patchwork Elephant to life.



The uniquely decorated Elmers will be positioned around key landmarks, streets, and open spaces in Blackpool for eight weeks.

But that's not the end... after this the herd will come together – the only time they'll all be in the same place at the same time, for their fantastic final farewell event!

The Trail also includes a herd of mini Elmers decorated by some of the Fylde coast's most creative children and young people, each designed and painted by local schools and youth organisations from across Blackpool.

We are delighted to announce that Layton Primary School will design and paint an Elmer to be part of the parade!

As part of this unique opportunity, we will fundraise to support the essential work undertaken by Brian House. Our fundraising efforts are being organised by the Pupil Leadership Team and they will be in touch soon to share their ideas!



Key Stage 1 Menu. Week 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Tomato Pasta Bake (V)	British Beef Burger in a bun with Ketchup Veggie Burger in a bun with Ketchup (V)	Roast Pork & Gravy Roast Quorn Fillet & Gravy (V)	Minced Beef Hotpot Quorn Hotpot (V)	Homemade Pizza Margherita (V)
<p style="text-align: center;">Available Daily: A full range of salads from our salad bar, and fresh bread rolls from our bread basket. All dietary requirements will be accommodated.</p>				

CHRISTMAS EVENTS 2023!

A handy list of dates so you know exactly what is happening and school and when!



Foundation & Year 3 Christmas Party	Monday 18 th December
Year 1 & Year 4 Christmas Party	Tuesday 19 th December
Carols Around the Christmas Tree led by Rev. Peter from St Marks Church	Tuesday 19 th December
Year 2 & Year 5 Christmas Party	Wednesday 20 th December
Year 4 Panto Trip – return to school at 17:15pm	Wednesday 20 th December
Year 6 Christmas Party	Thursday 21 st December
School closes – early finish	Friday 22 nd December
School re-opens	Tuesday 9 th January 2024



Years 4,5 and 6 had a wonderful experience with Shaun and John on Friday.
Shaun gave an inspirational speech and they then taught Year 4 how to play wheelchair basketball for the rest of the day.
The children embraced this new challenge and were extremely respectful throughout.

If anyone would like to donate then Shaun is raising money for his charity and we know he would be extremely appreciative of any donations.

Thank you!

[https://www.gofundme.com/f/paraplegic-amputee-zambezi-canoë-trek?
member=28811843&sharetype=teams&utm_campaign=p_na+share-sheet&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_source=customer](https://www.gofundme.com/f/paraplegic-amputee-zambezi-canoë-trek?member=28811843&sharetype=teams&utm_campaign=p_na+share-sheet&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_source=customer)



