

# NEWSLETTER



As we come to the end of 2021, we can look forward to spending some much-needed time with family and friends over the Christmas period.

I have noticed that a lot of the adverts on TV during the run up to Christmas, have focussed on making this year so much bigger and more elaborate than ever before, presumably to make up for the limitations we experienced last year.

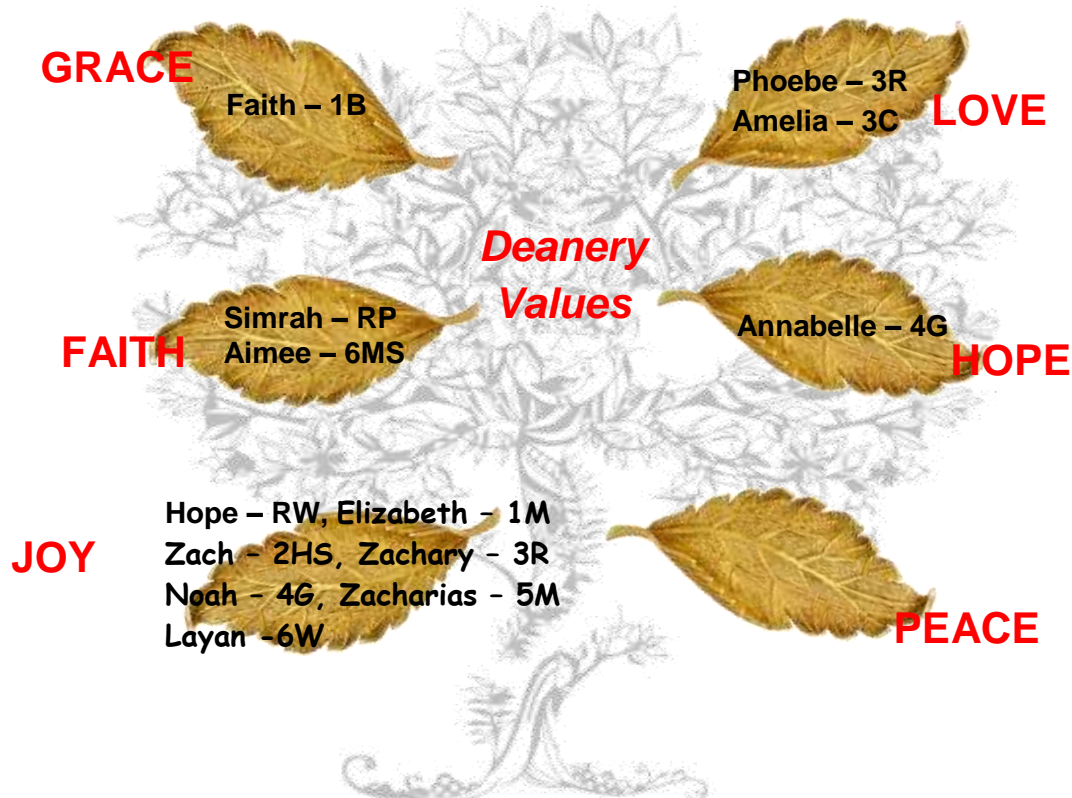
This could be seen as a message of greed by the marketing world, an opportunity for commercial gain, alternatively, it could be seen as one of hope; hope that we will be able to once again cherish the time spent together and share the laughter and enjoy the celebrations that Christmas time brings.

Whilst we take a moment to appreciate our family and the time we can spend together, we also consider those who are less fortunate than we are, those who are not able to make up for some of the loss experienced over the last years. However, we can all make a difference, no matter how big or small to make a positive impact wherever we can.

Thank you to our families and children who have yet again provided a tremendous amount of gifts for the Birmingham City Mission, providing hope and joy to the children of our city.

Wishing all our children, staff, parents and wider school community a very happy and peaceful Christmas and a New Year filled with renewed hope and faith for a safer world.

Pupils return to school on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022.



## PUPIL VOICE

Ollie, Reception - "Friends are kind and caring, they make you laugh"

Sienna, 1B – "In Geography we have been learning about the world. We looked at a map and we had to write the names of the continents. I know that Asia is the biggest continent. I want a globe for Christmas so I can look at different places in the world."

Athena, 1M – "I like Reading Practise in school because when I get home I can read it really well and Mummy and Daddy are proud of me."

Matilda, 2HS "We have been writing about our plot points in English, telling baby owl about the dark."

Zaki, 2HS "We have been telling the time using a clock."

Sophie, Jessica and Isabel 5M – "On Tuesday, we made soup using seasonal vegetables, which were carrots, parsnips, celery, potatoes, swede, onions and leeks. We practised different cutting techniques and we got to taste our finished soup too! Most of us really enjoyed the soup but some of us would change some of the ingredients next time. We all really enjoyed our DT day - it was lots of fun!"



Emma, 5M – "I am excited to write a pen pal letter to a Spanish person. It was a bit challenging to write so much in Spanish but I'm looking forward to getting a reply from my pen pal – Gemma."

Nicole and Amy – Yr 6 "We've been looking at letters from WW1 and have enjoyed writing our own letter to a beloved soldier in the trenches."

Erin, 6MS – "It was a nice experience to record a behaviour video for Y1 and Y2 to watch, I also learned a few things from doing the video."

Annabelle, 6W – "We recorded a video to show the school rules and how we're going to change the house points, it's good to know that my assembly will be seen by other year groups. I liked doing the assembly."

Harleen, 6W – "I thought it was really exciting to tell the younger children about our new behaviour system. It was nerve racking but I tried to become a children's tv presenter!"

### **Christmas Performances**

All of the children have been practising hard to deliver super Christmas performances for you. These will be uploaded to Google Classrooms on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December. We hope you are able to settle down with a mince pie and a cup of something lovely to enjoy the wonderful performances and start your festivities.

### **COVID-19**

Please do not send your child into school if they have symptoms of COVID-19. This is to ensure that we continue to look after the health of our whole school community. A child with symptoms, or feeling generally unwell and you are concerned that the symptoms might be due to COVID-19, should be kept at home and receive a negative PCR test before they return to school.

### **RNIB Stamps Appeal**

As a school, we would like to support RNIB this festive season and collect stamps to make a difference to blind and partially sighted people.

If you receive cards and letters through the post, could you save the stamps and send them in to us? We will recycle them and send them on to the RNIB who will recycle them into much-needed funds for their services.

We have a collection box in the main school entrance or just send your stamps in to us in a bag or envelop and we will pop them in the collection box for you.



### **Thank You**

A heartfelt thank you to all of the parents who have taken the time to express their support and thanks to the school over the past few weeks. Your kind words are very much appreciated by the staff.



## Thank you to the PTFA

A huge thanks to the PTFA for the children's selection boxes delivered to the whole school last week.



## Santa Visit



Thanks to Santa and his elves for coming to visit us last week – it was a great way to kick off our festivities.

## Santa Run



Thank you for all of your sponsorship for our festive Santa Run, so far we have raised approximately £600.

All funds raised will go towards our brand new Early Years outdoor area to enhance the provision for our youngest children.

# Christmas Cards



It has been a funny old year, but Christmas is on the horizon!

We still want to carry on lots of our Christmas traditions whilst keeping everyone safe. Therefore, this year, we are asking that children just send Christmas cards to children in their bubble (year group).

Thanks for your understanding.



## Cherished Support



We have been very lucky to receive a 12-month training package from Cherished (a non-profit organisation providing [attachment focused support](#) for girls in Primary and Secondary schools across Birmingham) funded by The Sutton Charitable Trust. Each month we will share any relevant links with you.



Please see below links for resources, which you may find useful:

### Help! I have an anxious child (Video)

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hYLiCgRVItRIGgBv6OvktRN23PBZoEhk/view>

### Help! I have an anxious child (Resource Pack)

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1fgNKx9FAG4WPOFUe2XyFr3FvUgNHVuRS/view>

<https://www.jwbridgethegap.com/>

### The Power and Importance of Attachment

[https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/1Oa6\\_dmlRSr1lIS8jsOpZsYjQrdXN5Ew5aFWnledr\\_pUteJmpbumTDrTiaAaA3E.FDL6lxSaV7GJ8nqR](https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/1Oa6_dmlRSr1lIS8jsOpZsYjQrdXN5Ew5aFWnledr_pUteJmpbumTDrTiaAaA3E.FDL6lxSaV7GJ8nqR)

### Adverse Childhood Experiences

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### Shame and its impact

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## School Nurse

Please follow the link below for an updated telephone number and email address for the School Nursing Team. If you have any concerns or worries around the health and wellbeing of your child, please contact the School Nursing team. [Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust website here](#)

## Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor, 6.5 hours per week. Please see the advert on the school website to find out more details. Please pass this on to anyone who may be interested.

<https://www.deanery.bham.sch.uk/job-vacancies>

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ACTIVITIES

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ANY OF THE ACTIVITIES





'TIS THE SEASON



# RH ACADEMY CHRISTMAS PARTY

A visit from Santa!!!

Arts & Crafts

Fun Games & Prizes

Football!!

Food



**22ND DECEMBER**

**2PM-4PM**

**BOLDMERE ST**

**MICHAELS FOOTBALL**

**CLUB B73 SRY**

**Text us on  
07480849803  
to book in!!**