

# Bridge House News



A Regular Newsletter for Parents & Carers

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

What an exciting term it has been at Bridge House! There have been many adventures this term from the primary learning to swim, the middle school traveling to Shakespeare's country to experience a day at the theatre, to upper school competing in Elite 11 for the first time. We end our term with our annual Christmas Cracker event and a trip to the cinema for our older children.

We are very pleased to have officially appointed our 6 new school and vice school captains, Jasmin, Harvey, Abi, Kasey, Alfie M and Alfie C who undertook their first official duties this term by representing the school at the Armistice service in Boston, where they joined a number of other local schools in placing a wreath, made up of poppies decorated by all of our students.

I wish you and your families a peaceful holiday and look forward to seeing all the students back in school on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.

## Anti-Bullying Week

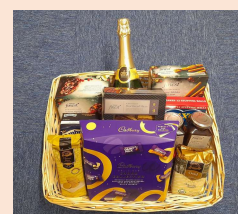
To mark the start of anti-bullying week, all staff and students were invited into school to wear odd socks on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November, to celebrate the differences between people. Children also completed work in house time on how to be kind to others and created their own odd socks!

Our student council also designed and created an anti-bullying display on each campus, which offered advice and where to go for support.



## Christmas Cracker

We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our annual Christmas Cracker event. This year our event is being held at Swineshead Village Hall with a start time of **12:30pm**. For every person that attends the event they will receive a free raffle ticket for the opportunity to win a Christmas hamper – so bring along your family and friends!



## Dates for Your Diary

Please note the following dates for the months ahead:

- ❖ 03.01.23 — Start of Term 3
- ❖ 04.01.23 – WOW Day (all campuses)
- ❖ 15.01.23 – Year 11 Mock Exams Start
- ❖ 26.01.23 – Year 11 Mock Exams Finish
- ❖ 01.02.23 – Upper School Trip – Wild Pines Park
- ❖ 05.02.23 – Primary Campus Parents Evening
- ❖ 06.02.23 – Middle Campus Parents Evening
- ❖ 07.02.23 – Upper Campus Parents Evening
- ❖ 09.02.23 – End of Term 3

## Is everything connected?

Our Middle school campus took on the challenge to complete the bridge house puzzle! Students worked together as part of their house groups to complete six different challenges. Learners embarked upon the following six challenges:

- Amalgamating Maths - children completed different maths challenges to create 3D structures. Each table had different mediums for them to use, creating different challenges at each station
- Pablo's Pursuit – learners took on the challenge of hunting for broken jigsaw art pieces. They had to work as part of a team to search out the missing art to then connect them together to create a famous masterpiece.
- Box of Delights – students created their very own box of delights in connection with our whole school trip to the theatre to see 'Box of Delights'.
- Crack the Code – Learners had to work together to overcome a number of obstacles to enable them to obtain a table tennis ball. Some balls had numbers on (which the students would need next) some were bogus balls! Once students had located all the numbered balls, they had to work together to crack the code.
- Food Connections – Children explored whether certain foods should or shouldn't work together in recipes. They then made chilli and chocolate swirl biscuits.
- Past to Present – This session involved delving into the history connections of life on Earth. Looking at Homo-sapiens and how they connect with humans today.

### RSC Theatre Trip

On the 16th November our Middle school students experienced live theatre and travelled to Stratford upon Avon to see the RSC perform 'The Box of Delights' based upon the Christmas novel by John Masefield.

'It was funny, and I liked how the actors interacted with the crowd' - Ella

"I liked the bit where he got hit with a book" – Devis



Our whole-school  
Enquiry Question for  
Term 2 is

*Is everything  
connected?*

### Remembrance Assembly

Children at our middle campus joined in their year groups for three live online assemblies. All children completed a two minute silence in memory of the fallen.



### Contact Details

If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school office, using one of the following methods:

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