



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Thanks to all the parents who attended Class 4's Showcase event yesterday celebrating the work that they had been doing based on the classic narrative poem, 'The Highwayman' by Alfred Noyes. Families were welcomed into the hall, which had been transformed into an 18th Century inn, before being taken back in time to watch the children acting out scenes from the poem! Families were then able to look at the children's writing, which had been inspired by the poem, whilst being served some traditional 18th century food! Well done Class 4 and thanks to Mrs Wilkinson for organising the event.

Stars of the week

R	Willow (Class 5)
E	Betsy (Class 4)
A	Serafina (Class 2)
C	Roxy (Class 3)
H	Sofia (Class 1)
Miss McNicoll's award	Theo L and Harry (Class 5)

Star Writer Award

Class 1:Zeke

Class 2: Percy

Class 3: Evie C

Class 4: Teddy

Class 5: Izzy

Star Reader Award

KS1 reader- Matteo

KS2 reader- Dolly

Stay and Pray Parent sessions Year 1 and Class 4

Next week, Year 1 (with Mrs Rumsam) and Class 4 (with Mrs Wilkinson) will host a '**Stay and Pray**' session for parents and family members.

'Stay and Pray' is a special opportunity for parents and carers to join us in school for prayer and liturgy (either at the start or end of the school day).

Year 1's are celebrating at 9.00am at the start of the school day and Class 4's is at 3.00pm at the end of the day. You are all warmly invited, to come and experience the reflective and spiritual time we share with the children.

Finally, our Caritas team led a brilliant assembly this week about the 'Every Step Counts' challenge to raise money to tackle child poverty in our local area. To raise money for this important mission, the children have arranged a sponsored 'Glow in the Dark Dodgeball' event to take place on Friday 13th February. The children brought home a sponsor form during the week and have until next Friday to get some sponsors. We would greatly appreciate any support for this worthwhile cause. Please send any sponsorship raised into school by Friday 13th February.

Yours sincerely

Miss D McNicoll