



Rishton Methodist Primary School

“Rise up ... take courage and do it” Ezra 10:4

Headteacher: Mrs D Higgins

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Christmas Market and Concerts The KS1 children did a super job in their nativity performance, and the KS2 children in their sing-a-long. They also spent time creating fantastic items to sell at the Christmas Market. Your support at these events made it all worthwhile for the children and we are always incredibly grateful. Through these events and your generosity, we made an amazing total of £1475.47 for our school! Thank you so much.



Class Trips & Activities It's been another busy half term! Trips have included local tree



planting, local area visits, road safety training, Bikeability, a Curling competition, Outdoor Learning Day, and a Santa Dash for our pupils. There are exciting plans for the new year which teachers will inform you about soon.



Children's Corner- Written by Robert, Jacob, Ashton and Junior in Year 6.

This year, Y6 have buddied up with Reception Class. The purpose of doing this is to settle them into their new school and help them to make new friends. We have done activities with them to build their self-confidence and so they get to know their buddies. Next term, Y6 will occasionally be going into the class to read with them and do other activities to help them to learn more and



maintain the strong relationships that we have built.'

After School Club From February half term, we are hoping to have our new After School Club in place which will be fully managed and led by Progressive Sports. Their approach is based on a zonal system, where your child gets to choose their own adventure every day, whether it's getting their heart pumping in the Active Zone, chilling out and recharging in the Wellness Zone, becoming a master builder in the Discovery Zone or unleashing their inner artist in the Creative Zone. Keep an eye on Dojo for more information.

Church Advent Service

This morning, the whole school went to church for our Advent Service, led by Reverend Mark. The All You Can Team shared a poem about Christmas that they wrote together, and then everyone got involved in singing the 12 Days of Christmas to get in the festive spirit. I think Reverend Mark may be joining Miss Horman as choir



leader soon!

Staff Corner

In this newsletter, we focus on Mrs Chambers. Mrs Chambers is our PE, PSHE and outdoor learning Leader. Mrs Chambers decided on a change of career from the police force, around seven years ago, and we are lucky that she chose teaching and came to our



school. At weekends you will find Mrs Chambers shopping and walking with her family. She tells me that her favourite part of her role is 'Helping the children to grow in confidence when they are learning to read.' Thank you, Mrs Chambers!

Christmas Festivities We have had a very busy and exciting week in the run up to the Christmas holidays – we had a pantomime in school, parties, special visitors and lots of fun activities.



Upcoming Dates for your Diary

Tuesday January 7th	School reopens for Spring 1 half term
Monday January 13th	EYFS Maths Workshop @ 2:15pm
Tuesday January 14th	Years 1 & 2 Maths Workshop @ 2:15pm
Thursday January 16th	Year 3 Class Worship @ 9:00am
Tuesday January 21st	KS2 Maths Workshop @ 2:00pm
Thursday January 30th	Year 4 Class Worship @ 9:00am

Please see Dojo dates, or the yearly dates list, which was sent home in September, for more key events.

We do now have around 98% of our families on our class and whole school Dojo account. Please see Mrs Neale or Mrs Hindle in the office if you need any help with getting online. We share so much daily on Dojo and we don't want anyone to miss out.

Final Word

Thank you for your Christmas wishes, cards and gifts, which you have kindly and generously sent in for our team. **We would all like to wish you and your families a very Happy Christmas!** See you in the new year, Mrs Higgins.

