CEDARSTINES





CHOIR SUCCESS

CONGRATULATIONS to everyone who took part in this years Gateshead Metro Centre christmas choir competition. Cedars Academy WON.



CLASS 12 CAROL SERVICE

Class 12 attended a Carol Service at St. Andrew's Church Lamesley on Wednesday. They were joined by people from Marquis Way Day Care Centre. The Rev. Mark Worthington conducted the service and we sang; Little Donkey, O Come All Ye

Faithful, Away in a Manger and Come and Join the Celebration. Afterwards we enjoyed a sweet mince pie/ biscuits and a cup of tea or coffee while listening to further carols being sung, by people from Marquis Way, around the Christmas tree.

It was a lovely visit.......
it has put us all in the Christmas spirit!



Congratulations on the safe arrival of Mr. & Mrs Vincent's baby girl Daisy.



CHRISTMAS BAUBLE COMPETITION

The children in **Class 6 & 7** entered Irwin Mitchell Christmas Bauble Competition. The children did a fabulous job decorating them and they were very successful and won the competition! The winner's prize has kindly been donated by Tickety-Boo Events. It is a two hour kids party package including balloon twisting, party games, pom poms and hula hoops which the children will be enjoying in the New Year!

Well done everyone!



On Monday 26th November the Cedars Academy and Cedars College ran the first of three "River Tyne" events. The challenge was to row the length of the river Tyne (118km). Students from all classes took part in the event, most rowing between 20 - 30 minutes. Collectively we managed to row 246km, doubling our initial target. This was due to the effort of all students, teacher, parents and carers that engaged within the event.

The purpose of the River Tyne events is to raise funds for school improvements. The event raised a huge £527. A huge thank you to all students that helped raise funds and all involved.

> The next event is "Swim the Tyne" taking place on 25th March 2019

On Friday 16th November students from Cedars took part in the annual Night Exercise. Whilst orienteering around a set route they took part in several team building and problem solving activities.

The night was a HUGE success with all students fully engaged in activities and having a great time!!

Well done to all students & staff involved.



KIRKLEY HALL

Class 7 were invited to sing at Kirkley Hall on two occasions this term. We were chosen to lead the carol service and also perform for their Christmas lunch. The children had a wonderful time and received a generous donation from the friends of Kirkley hall to 'treat themselves'. Here is a lovely message sent from Blanche Johnson, Vice Chairman.



I just wanted to say thank you again for bringing the Cedars Academy students to sing for us again yesterday. What a credit the are to you and the Academy. Everyone commented on how well they performed. I personally was delighted to receive the card and baubles from the children which I have proudly displayed. I have sent photos so the children can see LOL:).

May I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Healthy and prosperous New Year.

Best wishes, Blanche - PS: Don't forget you are booked for next year:)



For the past few weeks, we have been visiting art galleries with Mr. Finn. For the first week we went to the Winter Gardens in Sunderland where we saw multiple works including the works of Ranbir Kaur and other works such as the first Toyota car.

The next week we went to the Baltic where we saw the works of Rasheed Araeen and Heather Phillipson among others. Visiting these places has been fun because the art is very creative and inspiring.

CLASS

XMAS TRIP - CLASS

In the week before the Christmas holidays, Class 9 have been enjoying reading a variety of christmas stories. We read and watched the story of 'The Snowman' which is interpreted through

pictures, actions and music. We particularly liked the song 'Walking in the Air'.

On Thursday, we went on a trip to visit Fenwick's Window display of 'The Snowman'. We had a fantastic time. It felt so magical!









This half term **Classes 9 & 11** have enjoyed Clip & Climb at Gateshead Leisure Centre. They have attended each week as part of PE and have thoroughly enjoyed the experience. All students have worked extremely hard; challenging themselves and trying to climb as high as they can. They have developed their balance and coordination skills, showing great determination and ultimately experiencing a great sense of achievement.

"I wish we could do this every week!" - Benji

CLASS 9 & 10

Options Art Group invited Stephan from North East Potters to come in and do a series of 4 workshops, creating small sculptures and moulded pots around bottles.

Students were able to see the full process of hands on clay making to firing pots in a kiln. **Great Work Guys.**





Class 2 started this half term with a bang making fantastic firework pictures. We then have been learning about The Great Fire of Gateshead and retold the story using our small world. We visited the Fire Station to learn how the Fire Service help us and they showed us all their equipment and let us have a try! We also visited the Quayside to see where the Great fire of Gateshead started and found the original fire stones. In literacy we have loved reading Julia Donaldson stories and even went on our own Gruffalo hunt in Hamsterley Forest and made our own stick men in school.





Class 10 have been to visit Craigielea every fortnight this half term. Our students love to go down and see the residents, it's the highlight of our fortnight. We have seen their social & communication skills with the residents of Craigielea Community Nursing Home really develop as well as their sense of empathy.



PRIMARY STUDENT COUNCIL

Primary Student Council meet every other Friday morning and this term we will be looking at 'Staying Healthy'.

This will involve the food we eat at lunch time and the activities we do at lunch and break times.

"It's the best place ever!"



One student says,

Harry Potter

Class 8 have thoroughly enjoyed reading through the chapters of JK Rowling's first book Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone this term in English. We have designed our own Diagon Alley, wizarding wands and our own House with a crest. Focusing on all the wonderful vocabulary JK Rowling uses to write her epic stories. We hope to visit Durham Cathedral where Harry Potter was filmed and be taken on an exclusive tour where no one has visited before. Watch this space!

