

Tockwith

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY ACADEMY



At the end of November, children in Y5 and 6 left Tockwith Primary on a bright but cold day to travel to York city centre. The children were split into two groups – one toured the city walls whilst the other investigated York Minster. They had a tour of York Minster and then visited the Undercroft Museum themselves and learnt about the history and archaeology of the York Minster. Whilst walking the city walls, the children explored York's history, including the Romans, Anglo Saxons and the Vikings



Our Reception and Key Stage 1 nativity was a joyous event! The children sang some fantastic songs, with their favourite one being Donkey Plodding. They loved dancing in the straw and were delighted when Mr Reeve got all staff on stage to sing and dance with them, the parents/carers joining in from the pews! Children in Y2 did a great job of narrating the story that the year 1 and reception children acted out.



Our children in KS2 put on two excellent performances of 'A Christmas Wish' for parents, carers and other family members. There were some beautiful solos from children in Y5 & 6 and some clear, confident lines read out by all children. Many thanks to the staff for their time taken to teach the children their lines and the songs, brilliant performances!



The year 5 and year 6 band performed to the whole school and family members last week and what an event it was! The two bands performed some brilliant songs with some beautiful singing! Well done to all involved as we know how difficult performing in front of a crowded audience can be. Many thanks to Mr Crilly for these performances!



It was lovely to see so many families at the annual PTFA Christmas Fair. There were loads of fun games including chocolate tombola, teddy tombola, play your cards right, snowmen noses, sprouts, face painting and snowball bowling. We also had the Christmas choir perform and a special appearance from Santa in the grotto! This year also saw the introduction of external stallholders, including Braemar of Tockwith, Doodlebug, Kayleigh Makes, Down Syndrome Awareness and Wooden Crafts by Luke. The event was a fantastic success and the PTFA raised around £900 so thank you very much to all of parents, carers, and family members for attending the event and supporting us, and to the PTFA volunteers and staff members who helped set up, organise and run the event.



The whole school travelled to The Carriageworks Theatre in Leeds to watch Beauty & the Beast! We had our Reception and Y1 children couple up with their buddies in Y5 & 6 for the afternoon which they all loved! We took over pretty much the whole theatre for the afternoon performance and had a brilliant time singing along, shouting answers at the characters and booing the baddies! Many thanks to parents and carers for allowing your children to come with us for this amazing event, and for looking after the tired children we brought back from Leeds!



We hope everyone had a very restful Christmas holiday and look forward to welcoming children back to school on Tuesday 7th January 2025! We have the following events coming up in the New Year:

6 Jan	Teacher Training Day – School Closed to Children
7 Jan	School Opens
8 Jan	Swimming Lessons begin (Y3 & some Y4)
17 Jan	Creativity Day