

RAMSGATE HOLY TRINITY C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 6

Friday, 19th December 2025

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!

It all began on the 1st of December, when we held our Deck-a-Tree Assembly. As always, it was one of those RHT family moments when we all come together and enjoy the magic of Christmas.

The following week, Mrs Egan shared with the children how Christmas is traditionally celebrated in Germany and brought in some of her Christmas decorations. The candle-lit 'pyramid' and the little 'smoking man' are always the children's favourites as well as hearing about the Christmas markets and seeing pictures of the 'motley plate' that children receive on first advent (plates stashed full with sweets, gingerbreads and chocolates).

And then, let's not forget our Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day; the beautiful Carol Concert from KS2; the heart-warming re-telling of the very first Nativity from KS1. Both events giving us the opportunity to pause, amidst the noise and busyness of Christmas, and think about what it all means to us and our loved ones.

Today's celebration worship culminated with an interactive rendition of 'The Twelve Days of Christmas', which a lot of children (and staff!) will remember for a long time.

After such a long term, both children and adults alike are ready for two weeks of festive merriment as well as reflection. On behalf of everyone here at Ramsgate Holy Trinity, I wish you a very merry Christmas. The gift of love. The gift of peace. The gift of happiness. May they all be yours this Christmas and in 2026.



Year 5 Spirituality Award

A message from Mrs Jackson

I wanted to share an update on our Class 5 Spirituality Award project. Over the past few weeks, the children have been collecting tinned food and toiletries to support people in our local community who may be struggling this Christmas. Thanks to your generosity, we gathered a wonderful collection of items. These have now been donated to the GAP Community Project on Queen's Road, where they will be used to support homeless individuals and families in need over the festive season. Thank you for supporting your children to show kindness and help make Christmas a little brighter for others.

Mrs Jackson, Class 5 Teacher



Term 2 Progress

There was an enormous amount of learning this term! Every child has made progress and the teachers can already see how hard work that every child puts in is having an impact. Our first assessment cycle of the year proves that – and every child took those assessments in their stride.

Important Dates

5th January School Closed - INSET Day

6th January Term 3 begins

16th January 3.15pm OPAL DIY - Pond

20th and 27th January 9am parent coffee morning

12th February 3.15pm-5.30pm School Disco

13th February End of Term



Year 6's Victorian Tea Party

Our Year 6 pupils showed off their history learning when they had their Victorian tea party. Each child had researched a significant Victorian personality and prepared a speech arguing why they should be crowned 'the most important Victorian'. Every child had also prepared a calling card to give to someone they introduced themselves to so that they could share their learning and deepen their understanding of social, cultural and industrial reform. Parents and grandparents that attended the tea party (and yes, there was tea and coffee and cake) took part in the mingling and quizzed the children about their characters and all testified to how well-informed the children were.



School Council - Meeting Coco

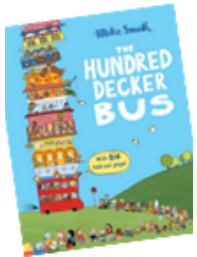
The School Council has also been very busy and prepared an interview to recruit a new "member of staff". Why the inverted commas I can hear you wonder. Well, the interview was for a dog and his owner and whether it is the right creature to come into school to support the children. This is not a barking mad idea, but a very paws-ible approach to motivate and engage some of our children.



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Joe Clough



As we continue our Black History celebrations, we would like to share with you the learning that has been taking place in Year R and Year 4 throughout the term.

Year R

Born in Jamaica in 1887, Joe Clough was originally a horse and cart driver for a local doctor. When he moved to London he became the first black man to drive a London bus.

Inspired by Joe Clough, and as part of our topic Transport, we shared the story *The Hundred Decker Bus* by Mike Smith. We then designed our own multi-decker buses and talked about what it would be like to travel around London on them.



Wangari Maathai

Class 4 were inspired and thought of lots of different ways in which we could make an impact on our local school community.

We designed posters to make our voices heard. We created a class rota to use the litter pickers to clean our outdoor environment. We will sew seeds in our class flower bed in the Spring Term. We have used a range of recycled and repurposed materials to make and decorate our baubles for the school Christmas tree.

Year 4

As part of our topic Blue Abyss, the children learnt about how and why we need to look after the environment. Wangari Maathai was a climate activist who set up the Green Belt Movement.

Her efforts against deforestation resulted in over 40 million trees being planted and she helped to protect many communities across Kenya. She became the first African woman to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2004.

