

Acorn Park - Weekly Roundup

What a week!

There have been so many moments of joy this week, that I cannot even begin to remember them all. What I do know is that the week has been one where we have seen progress and kindness from pupils, and belief and determination from staff and pupils.

On Tuesday LW transitioned to the van, rode in the van to swimming, and got changed for swimming all without his ipad! We are so proud of him.

We had a Christmas disaster averted when Sue and her catering team found themselves short staffed on the run up to Wednesday's Christmas Dinner. Pupils from Upper School stepped in to prepare all the veg - sprouts, parsnips, carrots. They worked tirelessly to ensure we had a great meal (and I think they may have a new found respect for the veg preparers at home on Christmas Eve!). It is traditional that the senior education staff help serve and wash up on Christmas Dinner day - so thank you team and the biggest thank you of all to our catering team who always produce a top notch lunch.

Thursday was Christmas Jumper day and we had quite an array of styles on show from superheroes to Santas and everything in between. Pupils watched Christmas movies and made crafts for today's fair.

Finally, today was our Christmas performance day. The older pupils went to St Mary's church in Banham where we were welcomed by Rev Sarah (the new village vicar). We laughed, cried, sang and listened with interest. Our pupils were amazing and who knew that in Catalonia, there is a pooping Christmas log?



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This afternoon saw a rather raucous display of song and dance from our younger pupils. I think that 'We Wish you a Merry Christmas' which was beautifully signed, was my personal favourite.

We then enjoyed some refreshments and a visit from Santa himself along with no less than two real reindeer (we think they were Dasher and Dancer). We hope that those of you who could make it had a lovely day and got some great photos from our Christmas Photo Booth.

We have 5 get ups left at school before we hand over to you until 2023! On Friday, we finish at 3.30pm as usual and will also be enjoying a Santa Dash I believe.

Raffle winners from today will be notified on Dojo on Monday.

Have a lovely weekend.

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