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HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE

It is my last Senior Voice article of the term and indeed of 2024. We have delayed publication of the Senior Voice, so it can contain some of the wonderful Christmas events we have had in the last few days. Our fantastic Carol Service at St Michael's Church with all its traditional lessons and hymns, with just a hint of a new tweak here and there, our Christingle Service, new to me but a Trinity event of long standing that I have talked about with pupils who have been with us for some time. The delightful Prep nativity, the Yule Ball and soon our Christmas jumper day and lunches. Christmas carol hymn practice and lights hung over the entrance to Chapel, it is beginning to feel a lot like Christmas.

This has caused me to think of how we all have our Christmas family traditions, the Christmas jigsaw, the place the tree has to go in the house, coins in the Christmas pudding, mistletoe or not. In my family, we have an advent calendar, no chocolate but we all have to guess what is behind each door, each day and a score is accumulated until we have a winner who receives a prize of some sort. On Christmas Eve, one member of the family has to stand before the others and read "T was the night before Christmas", showing the pictures from our tired copy of the story. Father Christmas also has to be tracked by NORAD, the North American Aerospace Defence Command, the body charged with defending the US from airborne attack but which since 1955 has tracked the great gift giver's course around the world on Christmas Eve.

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None of the above seem as unfathomable as some of the world's traditions shared with us by the Year 10s in a recent assembly. Kentucky fried chicken for Christmas lunch in Japan I was aware of but decorating the tree with spiders and cobwebs (possibly the inspiration for tinsel) in the Ukraine was new to me. What of the plain sinister Krampus in southern Bavaria? Krampus the devil is considered to be St Nicholas' evil sidekick. Grown men may well dress up in demonic costumes and bang on the doors of houses at Christmas time. When invited in by parents, the Krampus is expected to frighten children into good behaviour. In comparison, coal in your stocking seems quite benign. Then there is the frankly bizarre "Caga Tió", meaning poo log, a Christmas character in Catalan culture. On Christmas Eve the log is supposed to poo presents for children but first families start giving the Tió some food to eat every night and make sure that he is kept warm under a thick blanket. Then at the right moment, the children hit the poo with sticks while singing a song which translates as: "Caga Tió, hazelnuts and turrón (nougat), if you don't poo, we will hit you with a stick". However weird and wonderful the tradition, global, national, regional, familial, we cherish them because they beckon us into the Christmas season and remind us of time past. They are the reassuring traditions of Christmas, continuity and comfort in an ever changing world. Like the nativity story itself, they are a way to bring light into our world and celebrate and remember that the birth of hope, through our shared experience, our stories, is a wonderful element of our common humanity.

I hope you and your loved ones have a wonderful Christmas and New Year.



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CAROL SERVICE



On Friday afternoon the whole school went down to St Michael's church. We had readings, prayers, songs, and celebrations.





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Last Friday night the year 11 and Sixth-Form had their yule ball, everyone was smart and beautifully dressed, and also the teachers got fully involved.





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On Monday, pupils from every year gathered for the Christingle Service. We had readings from our Envoys, Prefects, Heads of Schools and staff, celebrating Christ.



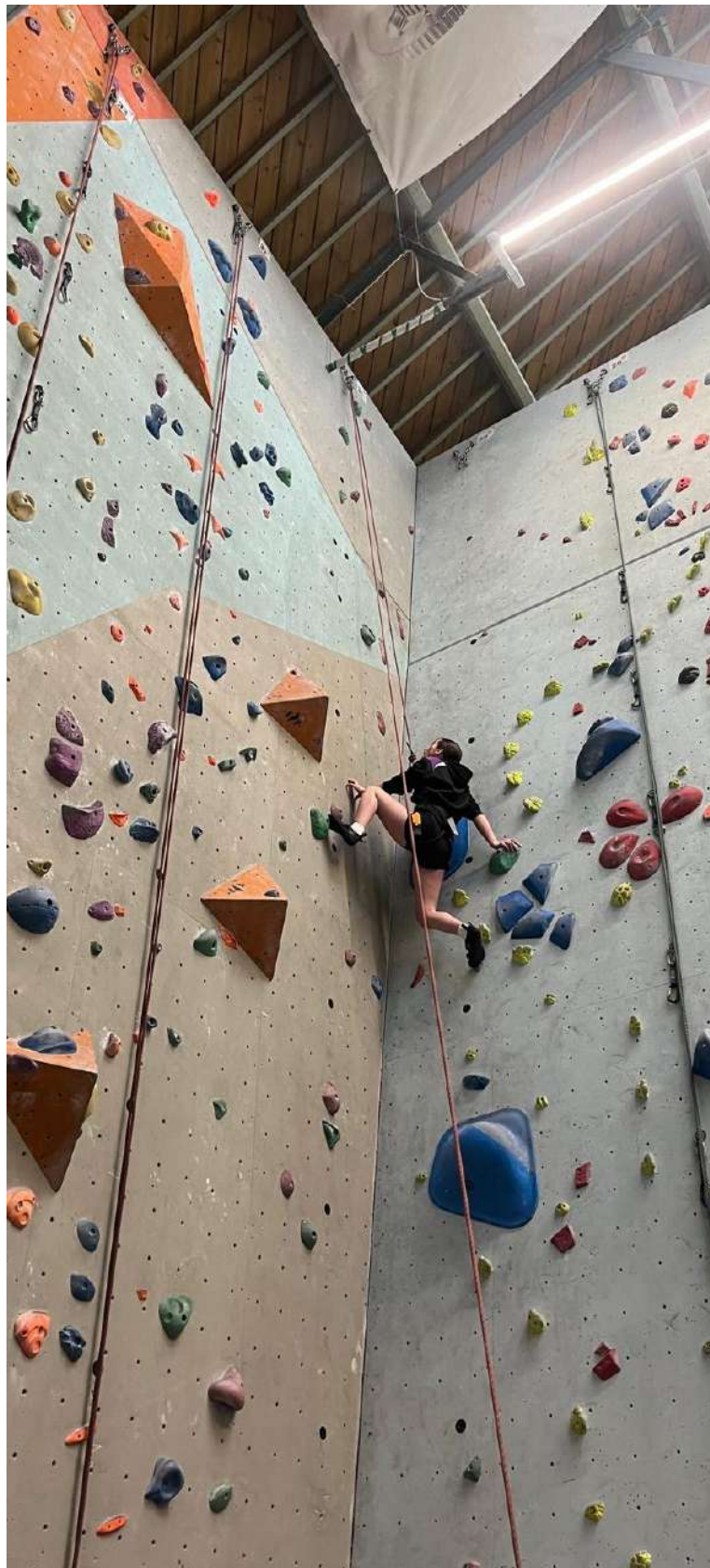


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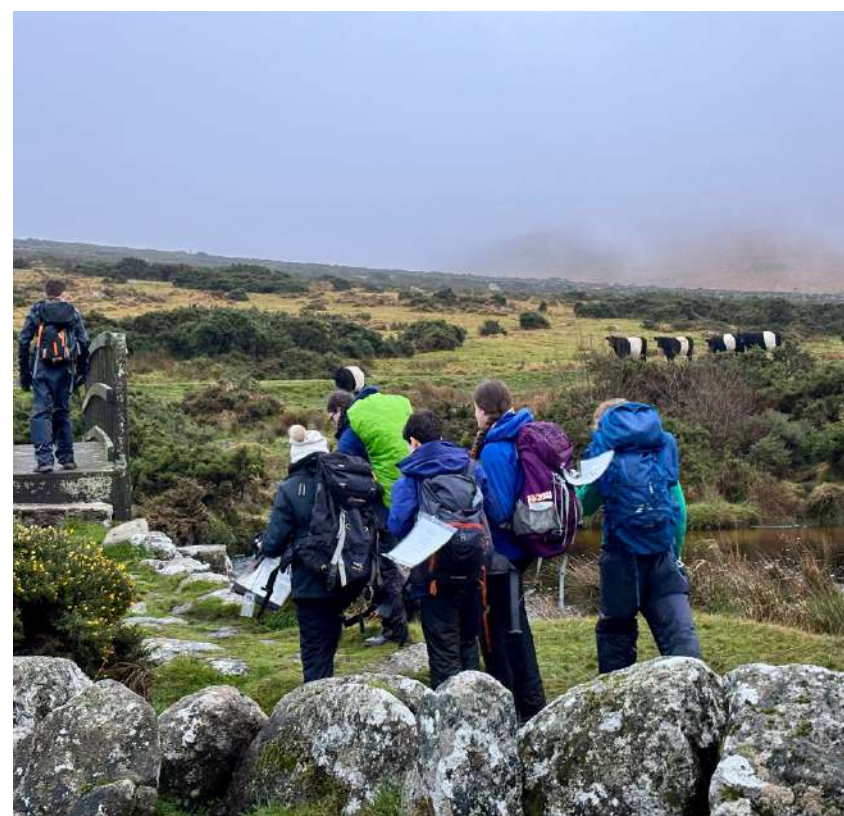


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YEAR 7 HISTORY!

It's the 5th January 1066. Edward the Confessor has died.

So... who should be King of England?

Will it be Harold from England, Harald from Norway or William, Duke of Normandy?

Year 7 worked hard in their history lesson deciding who should be King.





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LAST FRIDAY DAY IN HISTORY... 6TH DECEMBER

- In 343 Saint Nicholas died...
- In 1240 Mongols occupy Kyiv...
- In 1865 the 13th Amendment of the US Constitution is ratified, abolishing slavery...
- In 1877 Thomas Edison presents his phonograph...
- In 1897 London became the first city to host licenced taxicabs...
- In 1921 The Anglo-Irish Treaty was signed...
- In 1956 Nelson Mandela arrested for political activities in South Africa...
- In 1964 "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" was first aired on television...
- In 2006 NASA presents photographic evidence that suggests water on Mars...
- In 2017 Starbucks opened the largest café in the world in Shanghai...
- In 2023 Taylor Swift is named US Time's 'Personality of the Year'....
- last Friday is celebrated as St Nicolas' Day...
- as well as National Miners' Day and National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women.





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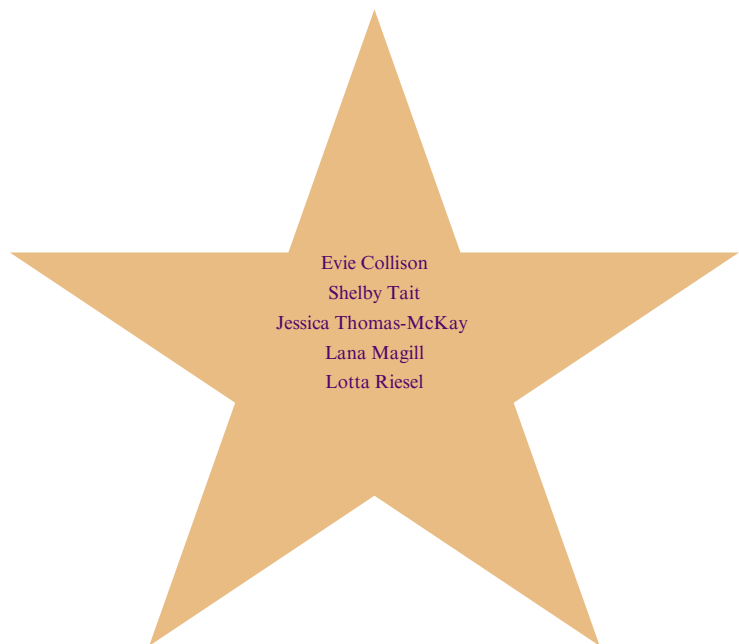
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William Mason
Max Kirton
Lowenna Lewis
Matthew Norrish-Jones
Boe Taylor
Evie Collison
Lilly-Mae Salter
George Tucker
Max Sanders
Shelby Tait
George Knight
Amelia Bartorelli
Charles Scoot
Jessica Thomas-McKay
Lana Magill
Nyrie Ridge
Joshua Ball
Catherine Flynn
Lotta Riesel
Federico Bernades Piraffe
Nicolas Vintro Calero



Esther Rigden Green
Gabriel Summers
Tom Sinclair
Logan Jeffery
Samba Barrie
Olive Martin
Rowan Dale
Amir Yazdanpanah
Giulio Frabboni
Cayden Hawkins
Elias Ngowet-Loukouman
Isabel Sunshine
Gunnar Franke

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RESULT OF
PERFECTION,
HARD WORK,
LEARNING FROM
FAILURE,
LOYALTY, AND
PERSISTENCE.

HEAD MASTER COMMENDATION



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PAYMENT REMINDER

The deadline for payment of Spring Term fees is 31 December 2024. Ensuring timely payment is crucial to the smooth operation of the school and compliance with our terms.

Please be advised that, in accordance with the school's Terms and Conditions, a late payment charge of £125.00 will be applied to any outstanding balances from 1 January 2025, with an additional charge accruing weekly until the balance is settled. This means that significant additional costs could be incurred if payment is not made promptly.



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Nicola Collison

PG Dip in Play Therapy & Credited Counsellor (NCPS)

Talking and Creative therapy

IT'S OKAY TO ASK FOR HELP

I will have a room set up in school so children and young people can choose, with my guidance, how they want to use the sessions.

Hi there, my name is Nicola Collison. I am a qualified counsellor accredited by the NCPS (National Counselling and Psychotherapy Society) and have a Post-Graduate Diploma in Play Therapy. Before that, I was a Primary School Teacher for over 20 years.



No thought or feeling is ever too small or insignificant to explore

“Young people’s lives are so busy and full of pressures that they are having to deal with daily. The need for a safe space where they can be themselves and learn to understand feelings that arise has become ever more important.”

I have worked with children and young people with a variety of needs. Amongst these are bereavement, anxiety, self-esteem, gender, trichotillomania, addictive tendencies, self-harm, eating difficulties, emotional and behavioural difficulties, children with A.D.H.D. and autism. I work primarily in a person-centred way, but depending on how the person I am working with wants to progress, we can dip into different ways of working together either creative or Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT). This will very much allow them to lead the session and me to be there to listen- we can explore together.