

## A message from Mrs Knights

*It has certainly been a cold week! Children have come prepared with their thick coats, gloves and hats and enjoyed playing in the sunshine, however, we also opened a classroom to allow children to play inside if they found it too cold. Despite the cold, Year 1 have enjoyed a walk around the community this morning, looking at the types of homes and features of their local area. I met with the school council last week. They talked about how much they love learning and how they feel safe in school because their teachers and friends are with them. Our next fundraising project will be to raise money for the refurbishment of the Reception playground. The school council have some exciting ideas of how to raise money over the next few months. Next week, we have our first 'Open Classroom' session on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2:45 - 3:15pm. We look forward to seeing you in school Wednesday afternoon, meanwhile, wishing you all a restful and warm weekend!*

## Head Teacher's Award

**Jack, Kiaan, Zak & Frankie in Orange** for their independent writing.  
**Jacob in Red** for his independent writing.  
**Honey in Purple** for her lovely sketching.  
**Denis in Green** for his amazing Geography work.

**Well done!**

**Year 2** We have been learning about units of measurement. We explored capacity using millilitres, mass using grams and length using centimetres. We also became sculptors, where created a model of Rapunzel's tower using clay. We used various techniques like pinching, stretching and rolling.



**Year 1** In English this week we have been reading a book called 'Stanley's Stick'. We pretended our stick was a flying carpet, doll, rocket, tent or microphone. We labelled our sticks and we wrote what they can do. We used the conjunction 'and' to join two ideas together. For example: 'My stick is a rocket and it can fly high in the sky.' For our Geography work we went for a walk in our local area. We used maps to follow the route and identify points of interest, like shops or playgrounds.



**Reception** We have been learning all about the Arctic and Antarctic this week. We have read and written facts about some of the animals we would find there. Did you know the Antarctic (South Pole) can be as cold as -60°C? We became artists and made our own interpretations of the Northern Lights. In maths we have been using positional language to describe where something is to give someone directions.



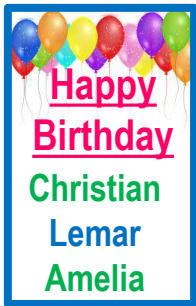


# YOU MAKE US PROUD



WELL DONE to all the children who made it onto our 'You Make Us Proud' board.

- Poppy    Lemar    Theo  
Danveer    Ella    PJ



<b>Chase</b>
<b>Neo</b>
<b>Albert</b>
<b>George Co</b>
<b>Arielle</b>
<b>Georgia</b>

## Attendance

Congratulations to **BLUE** class.  
Keep up the amazing work 😊

<b>ORANGE</b>	93.4%	<b>RED</b>	94.9%
<b>PURPLE</b>	92.3%	<b>BLUE</b>	96.2%
<b>YELLOW</b>	94.0%	<b>GREEN</b>	90.3%



### Open classroom

Come to our Open Classroom session on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2:45-3:15pm. For our Reception classes, this is an opportunity for parents and family members to come and see what their child is learning and join in with their activities and play. For Years 1 and 2, this is an opportunity for parents and family members to come and look at the learning their child has done over the year so far. Children will be able to share their books and art work.



This week is energy saving week! The eco-council delivered an assembly, telling the whole school about how energy is made and the different ways to save energy. They then launched a challenge to see which classes could be champions at saving energy. The successful classes will receive special medal!



Please respect our neighbours and park considerately when doing the school run.  
Thank you



## Congratulations on your Achievement

We would love to know about your child's achievements outside of school, such as swimming certificate, dance medal or football player of the week. Please send a photo via email to [admin@kingsway.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kingsway.herts.sch.uk) so we can share in the newsletter.