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To all Parents/Carers,

8/12/17

I hope those of you that attended the KS1 Christmas Nativity enjoyed the performance and I think you will all join me in saying what a fantastic show it was! The children were confident, articulate and sang really well. A big thank you to the staff who have worked hard in rehearsals to make it all come together! Next week it is FS2's turn so make sure you get your seats early. Thank you also to the PTFA for providing refreshments on a particularly cold day!



In other news, I wanted to pick out two pictures which really showcase the diversity of the curriculum at Markeaton. On the left we have some children taking part in a meditation activity in the classroom. This follows on from a whole school meditation assembly I did on Monday and it is really great to see the children taking part with such maturity and calmness. Meditation is one of the many ways we are encouraging the children to put things in perspective, relax and help manage their own wellbeing. On the right is a picture of an enormous Tetrahedron constructed by some Y5/6 children. This was all part of our ongoing partnership with local STEM ambassadors and we'd like to say a huge thank you to them for coming in. The children had a lot of fun and were amazed by what they had achieved!

And finally, snow is forecast over the weekend and I just wanted to draw your attention to our policy on closing the school in the event of heavy snow. Don't worry, there is no plan to close the school and it seems the snow is never as heavy as it is forecasted to be but just in case there are any problems, or the school needs to be closed, then a text message will be sent as soon as possible so that you can arrange childcare etc. Again, don't worry we are not planning to shut the school but I just wanted you to be aware anyway.

Have a good weekend

Mr I. Johnson

