

## Holywood News - December 2022



A HUGE Thank You to Ms Gray for a superb Christmas lunch

yesterday. With nearly 100 pupils and adults having lunch yesterday it was a mammoth event!

Thank to everyone who joined us and to those who helped with the clean up!

As always thank you to my staff team who roll up their sleeves and get stuck in! Very much appreciated...nearly the holidays!

## Staffing Update

*Miss Stapleton* will be finishing up for her maternity leave on Friday 13th January 2023.



*Mrs McNay* will be taking over the 5 day position working with P1-3 and senior maths classes.

*Miss Patterson* is new to the school and will be coming in on a Thursday and Friday until the two day post is advertised and filled.

*Mr Walker* will be back on a Thursday afternoon as a volunteer to support with teaching STEM and Outdoor learning!

## Lion King!

What a performance or three?!

Well done to all the cast and crew of Lion King. You were amazing!

Check out the blog for the photos now and the Special Edition Lion King Newsletter by the end of the week.

Please pass on our thanks to family members who attended the show and who took the time to write to us—we have passed on all the messages to the pupils.

## **Professional Recognition Update**

As well as recently gaining our Bronze UNRC Award...

Our Eco Group (with Miss Pattie and Mrs McNay) have submitted an Action Plan and have had it approved by Eco Schools. This means that we are on the way to gaining our third green flag.



AReading Schools

Mrs Jardine and the Reading Reps have had their action plan approved and we are on the journey to become a Reading School.

Thanks to all the pupils and staff for getting their plans together and submitted... Now the hard work begins!

Look out for how we move these projects forward next term and how our parents and wider community get involved!

Yes, there will be work and projects for all of us !!

Back in October the Charity and Events group organised some fundraising activities raising a massive £217, with your support. Pupils decided that they wanted to donate the money locally and make sure that someone directly benefitted from the funds.

They have chosen to make a donation to the family of John Ferguson, a 2 year old local child who has been diagnosed with a rare and aggressive form of Cancer, who has a connection with a family at the school.

You can follow his story and offer support on Facebook.

Have a great Christmas - see you in the New Year!