



Enjoy Club Christmas Activities

In Enjoy after-school club, the children have been making lots of festive treats. Last week, they made smelly and colourful bath salts completely from scratch! The salts were then poured into jars to make ideal Christmas presents.

Earlier this week, the children had fun making reindeer food out of porridge oats, hundreds and thousands and glitter.



Staff

Changeover

This term we sadly have to say goodbye to some of our wonderful members of staff: **Miss O’Shea**, **Mrs Smith** and **Mr Macdonald**. We would like to thank you for all of the hard work you have done during your time at GLPS, and we wish you the best of luck for the future!



We look forward to welcoming some new members of staff in January including **Mrs Shahid** (a Learning Support Assistant and EAL Support Specialist), **Miss Parish** (a Year 2 teacher) and **Miss Wooldridge** (a Year 4 teacher.)

Staff Profile

Name :

Steph Scott

Position:

Senior
Leader,
Maths Leader
and Year 2
Teacher



Hello I’m Steph Scott and I have been a teacher for 5 years. I’ve been working at this school for just over a year now and I am currently the teacher of the lovely Pepys class, in addition to being the maths leader and a senior leader. These roles keep me very busy, but in my spare time I enjoy yoga and running. I am currently training for my 8th half marathon which will take place in May.

Cooking for my family and paper cutting are also hobbies of mine. Cutting paper designs is an art form influenced by many different cultures all over the world!

The things I love about Christmas are the food and spoiling my nieces and nephews!

Santa Drawing Competition

MK News and Destination Milton Keynes have teamed up to run an exciting competition open to all children in MK to win a family prize package worth over £500!! All you have to do is draw Santa somewhere in MK (be creative!), and either:

- Scan and email your drawing to competitions@destinationmiltonkeynes.co.uk clearly stating the name and age of the child plus the contact details of the parent/guardian
- hand it in at the Visitor Information Centre at centre:mk (located near door 13, next to John Lewis/Next)

Entry closes on the 23rd December. Full details can be found on Destination Milton Keynes’ website.

Good luck!



Dates for the diary

4th Jan Back to school

- 4th Jan School council meeting: 2:30pm
- 7th Jan Miss Parish parent drop in
- 8th Jan YR 5 students + parents 'Ignite' in school hall: 9am
- 11th Jan YR 2 Hazard Alley trip: 9am
- 11th Jan First week of clubs
- 13th Jan Managing stress course for parents: 9am
- 13th Jan YR 3 Hazard Alley trip

Attendance

Last week, the total attendance was 95.5%. So far this year, the attendance rate is 95.9% including FS1 or 96.1% excluding FS1.

Our school attendance target is 97% and we are eager to meet this target next term.



4 th = Miss Scott	97.3%
5 th = Miss Scoggins	96.7%
6 th = Mr Dixon	96.4%
7 th = Miss Kerrigan	95.4%
8 th = Miss Crofts	95.0%
9 th = Mr Macdonald	94.7%
10 th = Mr Rowlands	91.4%
11 th = Mrs Humphris	91.0%
12 th = Miss Thompson	90.4%

MK Play Association: Trustees and Volunteers Needed

Could you (or someone you know) spare a few hours a month to volunteer at MKPA? MKPA is a charity that supports free and imaginative play for communities, pre-schools, after school clubs and faith clubs in Milton Keynes and the surrounding area. It also provides direct play provision in the Easter and summer school holidays.

They are looking to welcome volunteers and new members to their board of trustees who are organised and child-centred. For more information email admin@mkpa.co.uk with your contact details.



Pritchard Court Carol Singing

On Tuesday 15th December, Miss Scoggins' class and Miss Clark's class visited the Pritchard Court Retirement home in Great Linford to help get the residents in the festive spirit! They sang Christmas classics such as 'Santa Claus is coming to town'; a version that was so good the residents requested to hear it again! In addition to the Christmas carols, the day before the classes lovingly prepared a selection of mince pies and biscuits to give to the residents. The cooking session was particularly eventful as the kitchen started flooding half way through! Once the pipes were fixed, Miss Scoggins and a few helpers stayed behind to help finish the Christmas treats.

The residents loved the carols, biscuits and mince pies and brought the children some sweets and chocolates as a thank you!

