



Robert Ferguson Primary School

THE SCHOOL SCOOP



Welcome to the 3rd ever edition of the School Scoop! This edition, we have lots of information about things that have happened in school this term and lots of fun Christmas games and puzzles to do! The School Scoop team wish you a very merry Christmas and a happy new year!

Rosie, Editor



comes to Robert Ferguson

By Millie, Year 5

School Council organised Children in need day this year, which took place in November. They decided that we should have: non - uniform, crazy hair and splat the teacher! Everybody had a really fun day and especially enjoyed soaking their teachers. In total, we raised £335! Wow! We also raised £710.33 for CFM's Cash for Kids, which was collected during our Christmas performances

Well done everybody and thank you for your donations!



Pudsey Bear fever at our Children in Need assembly!

Robert Ferguson are Times Table Rockstars!

By Mhia, Year 5

Times Table Rockstar fever has taken over the entire school this term! It has been getting very competitive between classes, who have been having very exciting battles within year groups. Everybody is trying their hardest to become a Rock Hero! The current top 3 on the leadership board are:

1. Zak Masters
2. Garrett Bacon
3. Stanley Kinghorn

Well done! If you would like try and make it to the top of the leader board, ask one these current Rock Heroes to share some tips!

We've been asking lots of adults in school.... Who would you be if you were a character from a Christmas film?

Mrs. Cannon and Miss Wolstenholme:

Buddy Elf from Elf.

Mrs. Fell: **The snowman from The Snowman!**

Mrs. Davidson: **Mr. Poppy from Nativity**

Mrs. Craig: **Miss Piggy from A Muppet's Christmas Carol**

Mr. Roughley: **Ebenezer Scrooge**

We also asked some adults...What is your favourite Christmas film of all time?

Mrs. Morris: **Jack Frost**

Mrs. Barbour: **Polar Express**

Mrs. Cawthorne: **Arthur Christmas**

Mrs. Neil: **It's a wonderful life**

Mrs. Rinder: **Miracle on 34th Street**

Mrs. Hewitt: **White Christmas**

Mrs. Stephenson: **Home Alone 2**

Book Review Corner

By Millie, Year 5



'The worst thing about my sister' by Jaqueline Wilson

This story is about two sisters, Martina and Melissa. Martina likes to be called Marty because she is a tomboy and Melissa is totally different. The sisters are always arguing and Marty is always getting herself into trouble. Will they ever learn to get along? If you have read and enjoyed other Jaqueline Wilson books you might enjoy this one. I really liked this book because I have two sisters and I could really understand how the characters were sometimes feeling! It is a really funny, exciting book.

Iceland Christmas Advert Banned!

By Chloe and Layla, Year 5

Iceland's Christmas advert has been banned from television and will not be showed on TV this year.

The advert was about an orang-utan whose Rainforest home is being destroyed by palm oil producers. It will not be allowed to be aired (shown) on television this year because the Government did not approve of it. Earlier this year, Iceland said it was worried about how many Rainforests were being destroyed because of the use of palm oil. Did you know that we lose over 25 orang-utans *every single day*? We at the School Scoop were really shocked by the amount of products that contain this oil. They include: bread, crisps, margarine, soap, ice-cream, some take-away foods, shampoo and even chocolate!

We asked some children how they feel about this terrible situation. Layla in Year 5 said that we should make posters about palm oil to make children more aware. Emilija said that companies could maybe try and find a different ingredient to replace palm oil. Harley in Year 6 told us, "we have our homes- the animals should have theirs!" Ciaran in Year 6 feels that "every tree that gets knocked down should be replaced and all the animals would then be safe". Rosie in Year 6 asked "How would we feel if orang-utans came and knocked down all of our homes?" What do you think about this terrible situation? Let us know!



Christmas Riddle

I am a catchy carol and a tune which likes to rhyme, I contain 12 grand gifts that come around Christmas time. What am I?

Christmas Jokes

By Chloe and Mhía, Year 5

What did the cow get for Christmas?

A COWculator!

What's Santa's favourite sweet?

Jolly Ranchers.

What do you call a snowman in the summer?

A puddle!

Which of Santa's reindeers has bad manners?

RUDE-OLPH

How does Christmas day always end?

With the letter 'y'.

Who hides in the bakery at Christmas?

A mince spie!

Who is an elf's favourite singer?

El-ves

What did the Christmas tree say to the Christmas stocking?

Aren't you sick and tired of just hanging around?

What would an apple and a Christmas tree get if they had a baby?

A pineapple

Five minutes with...

This edition, our interview is with Mrs. Cannon, who has worked at our school for over six years and is our new deputy head teacher!

By Jack and Cíaran, Year 5

What's it like being the new deputy head teacher?

I am really enjoying it! Robert Ferguson is a great to work and all of the children and staff are wonderful. Everyday it's different and I am enjoying the new



#selfiewiththedeputyhead

What are the challenges of being deputy head?

You never know what each day will bring which can be challenging but also exciting!

What is the funniest mistake you have ever made in school?

Probably tripping over in front of my class. They found it very funny but it was embarrassing!

If you could teach any subject for ever what would it be?

Maths. I love maths and like problem-solving. It is one of my favourite subject to learn.

If you could buy anything in the world what could it be?

A private jet so I could see more of the world!

If you could have any super power for a day what would it be?

The super-power I would have is the ability to fly. But then I wouldn't need a private jet!

If you weren't a teacher what would you be?

I've never wanted to be anything else but I think I would enjoy being a chef because I like to cook!

If you had endless money what would you change about the school?

I would find out what the children would like and make sure we went on amazing trips.

What famous person would you like to meet and why?

Story Time - The Bear who bakes

This story was written Riley in Year 2, who has written a series of amazing books! The story is about kindness and shows that if you help other people they will return the favour! If you would like see YOUR story in the school newspaper all you have to do is speak to a member of the School Scoop team or Mrs. O'Farrell.



Once upon a time, there was a bear called Bobby who wanted to make a cake but when he looked in his cupboard he had no honey. So he thought about where he could find some. Bobby went outside to find his friend Rabbit. "Where can I find some honey?" he said. Rabbit said "bees!" Bobby walked through five woods and over five hills until he was hungry. He found some mushrooms and ate them up to get energy. Then he ran! until he found the bees...

There were lots and lots of bees but they had no honey. He found the Queen Bee and asked if he could have some honey. "Only if you do this challenge in five minutes". So he ate more mushrooms and ran faster than ever. He collected ninety-eight flowers

Playground leader training

By Ellie, Year 5

On the 7th and 9th of November the playground leaders received some training. A lady called Mrs. Foster came in to teach us leaders some new games that we can play with children outside during playtimes.

The games we played included: Underwater Tag, All fishes in the sea, Cross the golden river and Sticky dog. We even made up our own games! My favourite game that we invented was 'Jail Break'.

A playground leader's job is to make sure that everybody has somebody to play with in the playground. We can teach you new games and you could have a lot of fun! We wear very bright yellow bibs so if you would like to learn some new games you can't miss us! Come and find us!

Our visit from GIST



By Millie, Year 5

Earlier this term, the school had a visit from GIST, who came to teach us about road safety. We all learnt a lot about how to stay safe on the roads. Because the evenings are very dark at the moment, here are some tips on how to stay safe on the roads:

- always walk on the pavement or path
 - walk as far away from the kerb as possible
 - walk in single file on the right side of the road facing the traffic if there's no pavement
- When crossing the roads:**
- find a safe place to cross
 - stand on the pavement near the kerb
 - look all round for traffic and listen
 - when there is no traffic near, walk straight across the road
 - keep looking and listening for traffic while crossing

Stay safe over Christmas everyone!



Robert Ferguson Football Tournaments

By Ellie (Year 5) and Harley (Year 6)

ROBERT FERGUSON V BISHOP HARVEY GOODWIN (GIRLS TOURNAMENT)

On Wednesday 17th of October, the Year 5 and 6 girls played a match against Bishop Harvey Goodwin. Robert Ferguson won 6-4 and played very well (even though the other team were making us work hard!) By the end of half time, the score was 5-0 to Robert Ferguson but in the second half, Bishop Harvey Goodwin quickly caught up. It was a very good match and the Robert Ferguson girls definitely deserved to win!

BOYS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

The boys football team had the opportunity to go to a football tournament and played against multiple Carlisle schools. Here are the scores:

RFPS 0-3 Longtown	RFPS 0-2 Belle Vue
RFPS 0-1 Inglewood	RFPS 1-1 Stanwix
RFPS 0-2 Scotby	RFPS 0-2 Yewdale

I asked some players from the tournament 'which team was the hardest to play against and why?' Ciaran (Year 6) said " Inglewood was the hardest because they were relentless " Archie Stubbs told me " Longtown was the hardest because they had a very attacking team and you couldn't keep track of them ." A big congratulations to all of the boys who played!



By Jack and Harley, Year 6

Can you spot the difference between these two pictures? There are 10 in total!

Fantastic beasts: The crimes of Grindelwald (PG)



By Ellie, Year 5

Plot: In order to try and stop Grindelwald's plans of raising pure blood wizards to rule over all non magical-beings, Albus Dumbledore asks his former student Newt Scamander who agrees to help, unaware of the dangers that lie ahead! Things are going terribly bad in wizarding world.

My review: I really enjoyed this movie because I thought it was really entertaining! The special effects are fantastic – the monsters look very real! Some people might find it a bit scary in parts but I thought it was fabulous! I would definitely recommend this film to children who are fans of Harry Potter.

WORLD WAR 1 AND 2

By Cíaran, Year 6

World War I started on the 28th July 1914 and ended on 11th November, 1918. This year was the one-hundredth anniversary of the end of the war. That is why we have a two minute silence on the eleventh minute of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.



World War II began on the 1st September 1939 and finished on the 2nd September 1945. The cause of WW2 was that Adolf Hitler and the Nazi German army invaded Poland. England and France had signed a treaty with Poland that if they got invaded, they would go to war with the invaders, in this case Germany! Fighting raged on for six years, two years longer than WW1. One of the worst things that happened in WW2 was the blitz on London and other cities such as Liverpool and Plymouth.

I hope that you enjoyed reading my World War I and II facts.

Our Remembrance Day Poppy sculpture



By Layla, Year 5

Remembrance Day took place on November 11th. Did you know that the poppies we wear as a symbol of remembrance were inspired by the poem 'In Flanders Fields' by John McCrae? The opening lines refer to the thousands of poppies that were the first flowers to grow in the churned-up earth of soldiers' graves.



Our poppy sculpture in the reflection garden

In our school we have commemorated Remembrance Day by creating our own poppy sculpture in our garden of reflection. It looked beautiful! Well done everybody. We also collected money for the Royal British Legion by selling poppies and poppy stationary. Thank you all for your contributions.

A Christmas Crossword

By Layla and Chloe (Year 5)

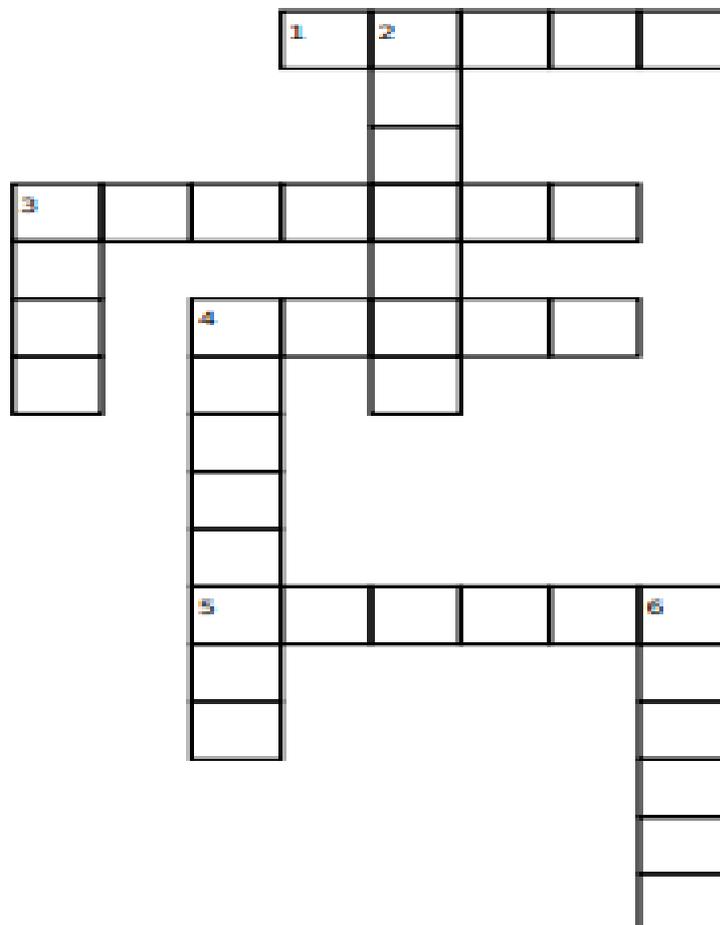


Down

1. Where Santa lives
3. Where Santa parks his sleigh
4. Santa's wife's name
6. A bird that fears Christmas!

Across

1. Santa's little helpers
3. The most popular reindeer
4. Santa's favourite pie filling
5. A chocolate filled Christmas calendar



Merry Christmas Everyone!

See you in 2019

Why is Christmas always
so cold Rudolph?

Because it's in
Decemberrrrrrr!



We would **LOVE to hear your ideas
for our next edition!**

Is there something happening in your year group that you would like to see included in the paper?

Is there an amazing book you have read that you would like to tell other children about?

Do you have an amazing sporting achievement that you would like to share?

Or would you like to see a story that you have written published for the whole school to read?

Come and see a member of the School Scoop Team!