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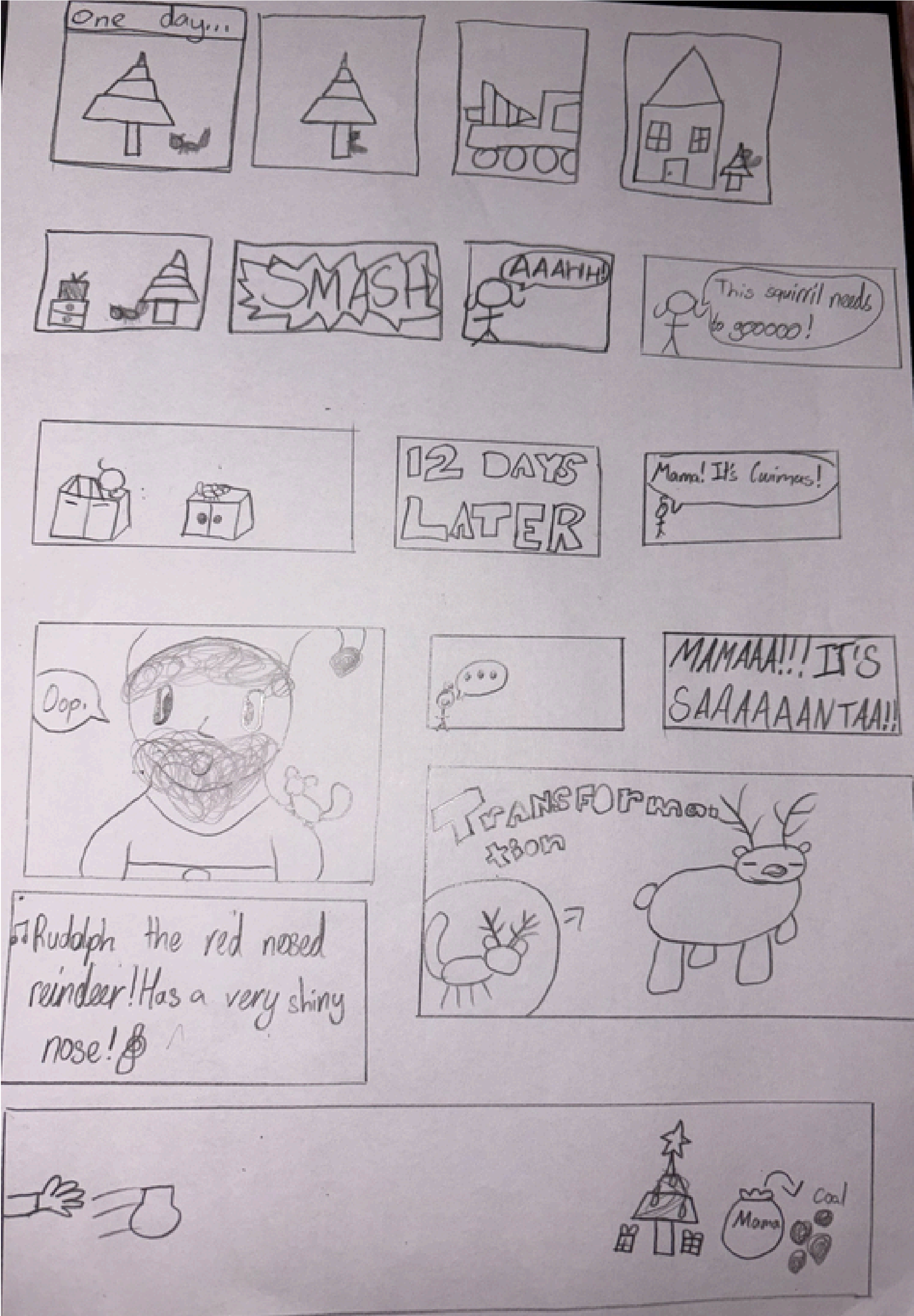
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BY ROSIE



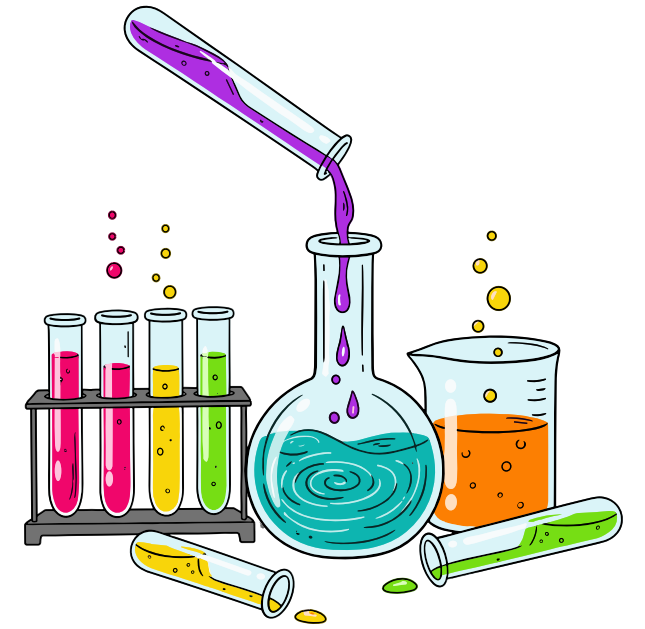


EXCITING AUTUMN ACTIVITIES

Pinxton needs writers, don't forget to post your submissions in the Golden box!



World Science Day!



On Monday 10th November, children took part in World Science Day, with the theme "Science for and with society". We dressed up and had famous scientists like Albert Einstein and even an entomologist!

By Jesse T and Olen

We took part in experiments to practise our scientific skills, like observing and predicting what would happen. Mrs Humphries said "I liked doing our skittles experiment!"

Anti-Bullying Week 2025

We were learning about bullying because it was Anti Bullying Week. We wanted to share with people how they could be kind and be nice to everyone, as well as stopping bullying. Sam and Katie from our local police team came to talk to us at school. It inspired so much kindness in all of us! "It could really hurt and upset people - we don't want any bullies in our school!" said Hallie.

By Carter and Marcelina



RECEPTION FAMILY MORNING

A wonderful time to connect.

We hosted our second Reception Family Morning—and it was a blast! The children had an amazing time playing Connect 4 with their families, riding bikes and scooters outside and even exploring the maths shed and the shop together. It was wonderful to see so many smiles and shared moments. Make sure to keep an eye out for the date of our next family morning—you

won't want to miss it!



By Grace and Ezra

Journey to Bethlehem

Our infant children wowed everyone with their fantastic performance of 'The Inn-spectors'! The play was full of fun and festive cheer as the children brought the story to life with confidence and enthusiasm. Many even bravely sang solo parts, filling the pass centre with beautiful voices and making their families proud. It was a wonderful celebration that truly captured the spirit of Christmas!



By Tomas and Ezra



Support from our community

YEAR 1 SEWING FOR REMEMBRANCE By Hallie

Parents were invited in this half term to help the year 1 children to practice and sew a running stitch. The parents were needed because they were making Poppy Bunting they had designed as part of the D&T learning. It worked well because everyone was able to follow the simple instructions and worked slowly and carefully. Mrs Muneer said "It was so exciting and fabulous. It was amazing to see all the parents and it was so fun!"

FROM CLASSROOM TO NEWS ROOM

Our newspaper team sat down with our deputy head, Miss Dickson for an exclusive interview! The young journalists were eager to find out what it's like to help lead the school and Miss Dickson didn't disappoint—sharing her thoughts on school life and even a few fun surprises along the way.

Miss Dickson joined our school in January 2021 and has worked at Pinxton Village Academies for nearly five years. With 16 years of teaching experience, her favourite years to teach are Year 1 and Year 2.

As Deputy Head, she helps teachers do their best for the children. The hardest part of her job is finding enough time in the day, and she wishes she could spend more time with pupils. Her favourite part? Seeing the magic happen in classrooms!

Miss Dickson also takes her role as Designated Safeguarding Lead very seriously, explaining that it's vital for keeping everyone safe and involves lots of training.

By Ezra and Lottie



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SPANISH CLUB IS HERE!

Breaking news! Spanish has invaded the school! Read on to find out more...

Foreign language club launched this term run by Miss Bentley. Learning together they have begun their Spanish adventure. Kayleigh and Angel told our reporters they have learnt phrases such as 'Como estas!' Which means 'how are you?' Some other phrases our reporters were taught was good morning – Buenos dias and good evening – buenos noche. Members of the club said "To begin with it was really hard but as we've kept going we've really started to pick it up!" Safe to say our school is diversifying!

By Poppy, Teddy and Rosie



ROLL UP ROLL UP! THE PODCAST IS HERE!

It's finally here! The podcast of the year!

What is a podcast? – A podcast is a recording where people have a discussion about a subject and these can be about anything!

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In our club we have voted on the topics from tongue twisters to would you rather! The podcasts are predicted to be between 2 and 5 minutes long.



Sebastian is even creating a maths facts podcast so keep a lookout to find out where you can hear them first!

By Halle, Daniel and Darcie





Cheese and Bacon Turnovers

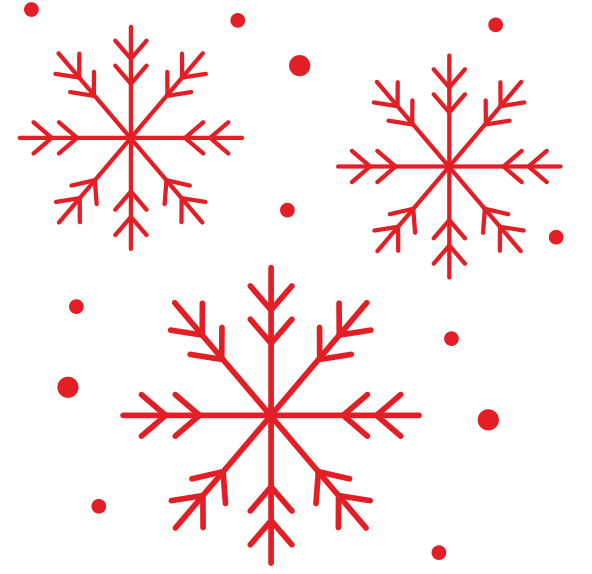
Ingredients:

- 1 roll of puff pastry
- ½ tub of cream cheese
- 4 or 5 bacon rashers
- 150g of grated cheese

Method:

1. Preheat the oven at 180 degrees
2. Unroll the puff pastry so it is a flat sheet. Place it landscape.
3. Cut the puff pastry into 8 equal pieces – 1 cut horizontally, 3 cuts vertically.
4. Spread the cream cheese on each piece.
5. Cut bacon rashers into halves and place 2 pieces onto the pastry portions.
6. Sprinkle on the grated cheese.
7. Pull 2 opposite diagonal corners of pastry into the middle and press together – this holds the cheese and bacon in place.
8. Place your turnover on a baking sheet and tray, placing the tray in the preheated oven.
9. Bake for around 20–25 minutes until crispy and golden.
10. Remove from the oven, giving time to cool before you enjoy!





Thinking of others: A short story.

On the day before Christmas, bells were ringing and colourful lights were shining all around the town. There were Christmas trees everywhere, big and small. In the middle of the town stood a grand house that looked extra special. It was covered in white snow and sparkly decorations, like it came from a Christmas movie.

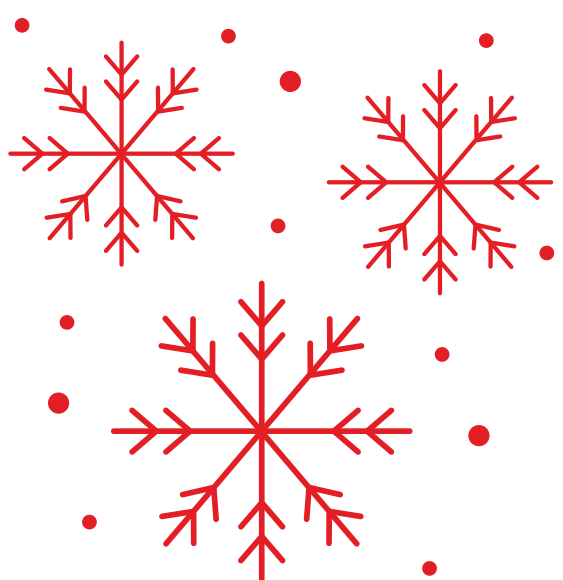
Inside that house lived a kind family of four. They were all nice, but the nicest of all was the little girl named Lily. She always smiled and helped others when she could.

On Christmas Eve, Lily woke up very early because she was so excited. She saw lots of presents under the tree. Some were toys, some were clothes, and some were fun games. Lily felt happy, but she also thought about kids who didn't get presents.

So Lily had an idea. She gave many of her presents to charity. Her mum, dad, and brother helped her pack them up, and together they delivered them. Lily felt warm inside, even though it was cold outside.

That night, Lily learned that giving can feel even better than getting, and it was the best Christmas ever.

By Halle





Things to do over Christmas

HERE ARE SOME FUN THINGS KIDS CAN DO OVER THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS 🌲 ❄️

CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

MAKE CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

DRAW OR PAINT WINTER PICTURES

BUILD A SNOWMAN (OR A PAPER ONE IF THERE'S NO SNOW!)

CREATE HOMEMADE DECORATIONS

FUN IN THE KITCHEN

BAKE COOKIES OR CUPCAKES

DECORATE GINGERBREAD MEN OR HOUSES

MAKE HOT CHOCOLATE WITH MARSHMALLOWS

COZY INDOOR FUN

WATCH CHRISTMAS MOVIES

HAVE A PAJAMA DAY

BUILD A BLANKET FORT

READ CHRISTMAS STORIES OR CHAPTER BOOKS

GAMES & PLAY

PLAY BOARD GAMES OR CARD GAMES

DO A CHRISTMAS SCAVENGER HUNT

HAVE A FAMILY TALENT SHOW

PUT TOGETHER A PUZZLE

FESTIVE FUN

SING CHRISTMAS SONGS OR CAROLS

DANCE TO HOLIDAY MUSIC

LEARN A NEW SONG OR INSTRUMENT

KINDNESS ACTIVITIES

DONATE OLD TOYS OR CLOTHES

MAKE TREATS FOR NEIGHBORS

WRITE THANK-YOU NOTES

HELP WITH CHORES AT HOME



Christmas Chocolate Fudge



Ingredients



1 can (397g) sweetened condensed milk

2 cups milk chocolate chips

1 cup white chocolate chips

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Christmas sprinkles (optional)

Mini marshmallows or crushed candy canes (optional)



Instructions:

- 1. Line a square baking tin with baking paper.**
 - 2. Put the chocolate chips and sweetened condensed milk into a saucepan.**
 - 3. Heat on low, stirring constantly until the chocolate is melted and smooth.**
 - 4. Remove from heat and stir in the vanilla extract.**
 - 5. Pour the mixture into the prepared tin.**
 - 6. Sprinkle Christmas decorations, marshmallows, or crushed candy canes on top.**
 - 7. Let it cool at room temperature, then place in the fridge for 2–3 hours until firm.**
 - 8. Cut into small squares and enjoy!**
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Mrs Moody was interviewed this term by our news team. Reflecting on her 13 years at Pinxton Village Academies and her new role this year as Deputy head.

Mrs Moody said "This is the best job in the world! While my job has moved from in the classroom, I now do lots of strategic work linking to the school improvement plan, supporting Mrs Ingle in the day to day running of the school and safeguarding."

"There is nothing better than seeing how the children progress during their time at PVA!"

