

# THE RASTRICK READ



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RASTRICK HIGH SCHOOL'S MAGAZINE LAUNCH! SPECIAL CHRISTMAS EDITION



# Rastrick High School

## WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL MAGAZINE

**Congratulations to  
Jacob Walton -  
winner of our  
magazine naming  
competition!**

The school magazine launched in September 2022 as part of our extensive enrichment programme.

Led by Mr Greenwood and Miss Copsey, both with experience in media and journalism, students have been working on a wide range of content from school life articles to hard-hitting world news, to quizzes and puzzles. The group have researched, planned, interviewed, reported and created all the content in the magazine, forming a great launch issue.

The platform allows our students to articulate their interests and give them a leading role in sharing their fantastic work with both peers and a wider audience.

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# OMIGOD! LEGALLY BLONDE A SELL-OUT SUCCESS!

By Phoebe Lush

Rastrick High School hosted three consecutive sell-out evenings of theatre excellence last month, with students wowing audiences with excellent singing, dancing and acting displays.

Mr Rhodes and Miss Hinchliffe decided in early June that they would like to put on a school musical of Legally Blonde. The show tells the story of Elle Woods, a sorority girl who enrolls at Harvard Law School to win back her ex-boyfriend Warner. She discovers how her knowledge of the law can help others, and she successfully defends exercise queen Brooke Wyndham in a murder trial. Throughout the show, very few characters have faith in Elle, but she manages to surprise them when she defies expectations while staying true to herself.

This musical of fun happened in Rastrick High School from 10th – 12th November 2022. Throughout this time all the cast and crew have worked hard to put on this musical. It has been a rollercoaster of madness, stress, and so much fun. Hundreds of people turned out to watch the show and was very exciting to see so many in attendance.

Director, Miss Hinchliffe said: 'It came together really well in such a short space of time, I'm so proud of how both the students and staff managed to pull off such a fantastic show in the time frame.'



'The show week was such a hectic but fun-filled time for all students involved – being in school till almost 10pm 4 nights of the week and still managing to be really productive whilst in lessons. '

'Every night we were so pleased with the number of parents, students, staff, families etc. coming up to us all and congratulating on such a great show. It was a very pink, very fun spectacle which we had a great time putting on. However, it was extremely hard work for everyone involved – a lot goes into the running of the show – so we are grateful that we had such a great cast and crew who helped pull it all together. Omigod – we did it!'

The reviews have been extraordinary, and we hope that with the success of this musical that we will be able to put on another next year!



# *How did it all happen?*

By Meredith Stansbury

The music department teamed up with the drama department to create the production of 'Legally Blonde – the musical'. Many people referred to it as a 'Great success' and described it as 'Definitely above average for a school musical.', but what did it take to put it all together?

Mr. Rhodes paid tribute to a brilliant team effort including Eliza McCann, Miss Hinchliffe (Drama), Miss O'Connell (Drama), the Rastrick high school admin team, the band, the backstage team, the tech team and of course the tremendous cast.

However, this is just a list of who was responsible for putting together the show, what happened to make it a reality?

Auditions for the show started towards the end of the last academic year and the rehearsals started shortly afterwards, all of the cast were eager to get started. I, as part of the cast, thoroughly enjoyed the process of whipping the show into shape. Rehearsals started off as just a few times a week but as the deadline for the show got closer and closer, the number of rehearsals and the length of said rehearsals increased but I certainly, if no-one else, thought it was most definitely worth it!

Some of the cast members described it as an 'unforgettable experience', and I agree, the process of putting the show together, piece by piece, was certainly an amazing experience that none of us will ever forget. If you have seen the show, can you believe that the entire thing was put together in just over two months? Incredible.

# Music are playing a tune!



By Meredith Stansbury

In Rastrick High School the music department plays a key role in teaching young people about the importance of music in different cultures and societies. It also teaches students the fundamentals of music composition and the basics of playing a range of simple instruments, and that's just the start! To find out exactly what role the music department is at RHS we interviewed some of the staff members to find out what it means to them.

We asked a few of our music staff about what they thought about the role of the music department at Rastrick high school. This interview also included questions about getting involved with music lessons and what the future holds for the music department. Stick around to see what they said!

So, what are they up to at the moment? Well, as you may already know, recently the music and drama departments at Rastrick High School teamed up to create a school production of 'Legally Blonde-The Musical', and ran its Christmas Show.

What's coming up? Coming up in February is the 'Mrs Sunderland Festival' which is a music festival where people of all ages get to show off their musical talents.

# Exclusive interviews: Mr Rhodes and Mr Bradnum

'Rastrick's quite special in its attitude to music' This was pointed out by Rastrick high school's singing teacher, Charlie Rhodes. Here he goes on to explain that, unlike other high schools,

Rastrick accepts music as part of its 'culture' and that it is not very often that music is embraced as much as it is here at Rastrick. Stephen Bradnum, the lower brass teacher, went even further to say that 'unlike other schools where music is simply a lesson in the curriculum, at Rastrick the staff get to share their love of music with students... outside of curriculum time'.

Another point made by both Stephen and Charlie is the fact that it is impossible to escape having a connection with music 'It is as vital as food or drink' (Charlie Rhodes) 'whether it be heavy metal, classical or it be choral or whether it be soundtracks...or pop...ever idiom of music is equally valuable and equally important...and it is important to find the genre that you enjoy' (Stephen Bradnum). For them this is the reason that music is so celebrated at Rastrick high school.

So how can you get involved with the music department? First of all, anyone can get involved with junior choir (years 7 + 8) and senior choir (years 9, 10 + 11) for free with no previous experience required, AND as a bonus, for those who attend junior choir on a regular basis have the chance to apply for FREE singing lessons with Charlie Rhodes. The school also offer private music lessons for a whole range of instruments, for more information you can visit the RHS website.



## SUPPORT WANTED!

The Mrs. Sunderland Festival is a place where budding young musicians can show off their skills and would love to be supported in their efforts so why not show a little support and go and check out some of the events happening during the weeks near the end of February when the festival takes place?

The festival takes place in Huddersfield town hall over the course of a couple of weeks so I would recommend visiting <https://www.mrssunderlandfestival.com/> to see what interests you!

The Mrs. Sunderland Festival is open to all ages, particularly young people, however, unfortunately applications closed on the 18th of Nov so no more entries can be put in. Why not try researching some musical events in your area that open and/or close entries in the future. Make sure to remember to have fun and stay musical!



# RASTRICK MARK REMEMBRANCE



## By Natasha Quashie

Rastrick High School staff and students marked Remembrance Day with a beautiful service of respect at our new Forget Me Not Garden.

### What is Remembrance Day?

Every year on the 11th of November at 11 o'clock we have a two-minute silence. But why do we do this? During this two-minute silence we remember those who served in the war and helped our country. The silence happens on the 11th of November at 11 o'clock because it was the day and time commemorate armistice agreement which was the agreement for the end of the war.

### What can you do?

There are many ways you could contribute to remembrance. For example:

- Wearing a poppy
- Donate to the Royal British Legion
- There are many activities to take part in

### How did we remember them?

This year as usual we had our two minutes silence. However, as you may have seen outside the outdoor atrium, we have created our own remembrance garden. Whilst many students had a two-minute silence in their classrooms the heads of year, cadets and some teachers went to have theirs at the remembrance gardens to begin with. Mr Williams lay down his cross, then the cadets and cadet leader lay theirs, then the heads of years and finally the teachers. Before the bell rang for the silence we listened to the song 'The Last Post' played on the trumpets. This is a traditional remembrance song.





# Enrichment opportunities at Rastrick!

By Jessica Emsley

Here at Rastrick High School, we have a brilliant range of extra-curricular activities and opportunities. For example, on a Monday, after school, there is the spectacular Magazine Club open for years 7-9. This club supports a pupil's thirst for learning about journalism and gives them the opportunity to be creative with their writing. They can explore differing writing techniques and formats, and this may give them invaluable life lessons and experiences for the future!

Personally, I think this is of the utmost importance that a student can lead this journey and can experiment with their interests. We must not hold back. We must encourage students to try things. To try and succeed. To be themselves, make decisions, improve confidence, and make friends.

So, let them go to the enrichment and see the opportunities outside the classroom. Allow them to communicate and socialise with their teachers and peers. These experiences could be life-changing, and you must heavily insist to the students here at Rastrick and all over to go to an enrichment club; to make friends and to learn important life lessons. As of 2022, these clubs are available:

Day	Enrichment opportunities
Monday	Netball, Football, School Magazine, GCSE Art, 3D Design, Rugby, Rockschoo
Tuesday	Cheerleading, Boxing, Junior Choir, Drumming
Wednesday	Basketball, Hockey, Girls Football, Code Club, 3D Design, Girls Rugby, Senior Choir
Thursday	Netball, Textiles and Food Coursework, GCSE Food Masterclass, GCSE Product Design, Volcano Club, GCSE Art
Friday	Basketball, GCSE Product Design

Please note: The schedule is updated each half term. Further information is available on the school website.

# Rastrick Rewards

Rewarding students' effort and engagement is at the heart of our ethos at Rastrick High School. This year, we have refined the rewards programme to ensure we recognise all positive contributions to our school community.

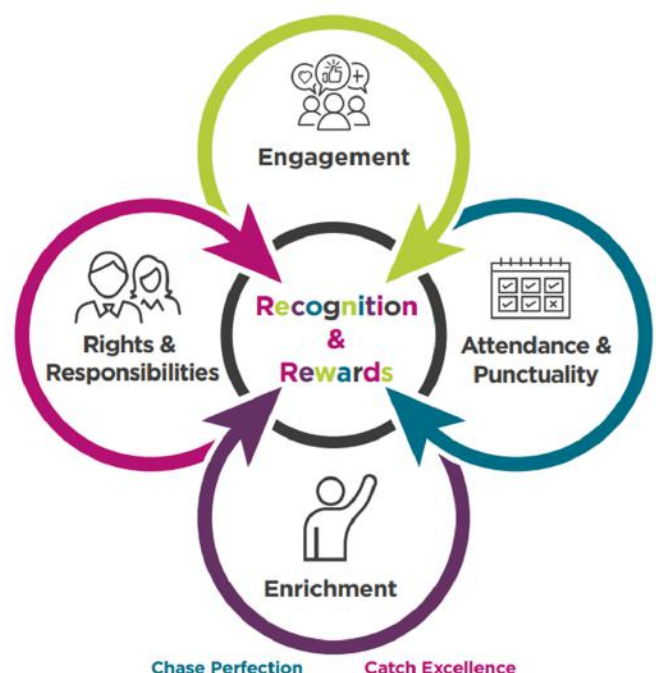
Our different platforms provide variety and transparency to celebrate the achievements of students at Rastrick High School. We have a range of communication methods for rewarding excellence. These start with day-to-day achievement points, but students are also rewarded considerably for their engagement for learning grades submitted by staff at assessment points throughout the year. We also reward students for their engagement with our fantastic range of enrichment opportunities.

Students who are recognised for their achievements throughout the year can receive a range of rewards:

- Bronze, silver and gold postcard certificates
- Vouchers
- Special rewards lunch
- Afternoon trips

Students are also recognised for their excellent attendance, with weekly 100 club prize draws.

Promoting a **strong** student-centred **culture of praise** at Rastrick High School



# Ukraine: Dark Times

By Isla Uttley

Many of you may have heard about the crisis in Ukraine but not enough people know what is happening.

As you have read or seen on the news that many people are dying in the war between Ukraine and Russia. Lots of people around the world are protesting against this war including some Russian citizens. This is because Russia is a dictatorship with Vladimir Putin as its leader, so no Russian citizens had a say.

Most Ukrainian residents who could not escape their country are now in danger of the Putin's army and are hiding in underground bunkers to escape bombing attacks.

Putin has threatened Ukraine into not joining NATO -an alliance made up of thirty countries, including the UK, made in WW2 - so the Ukrainian president has said that they will not join. NATO has also said that they will not get involved but that will change as Russia have 'accidentally' killed two people in a farm in Poland. This could be a problem for the entire world as NATO will be forced to get involved if it is true and this could lead to a World War three. Although Russia is extremely low on troops and have had to remove some because of the weather and NATO massively outnumber them.

## What have people done in protest?

You may have seen this year's Eurovision out of protest many of the public voted for Ukraine and they ended up winning by a country mile. Sadly because of Putin's wrath next year it will not take place in Ukraine and will be forced to take place in England (second place) instead.

A lot of people in Ukraine have also still been attending competitions such as Oleksander Usyk in which he won the match and him and Antony Joshua shared a Ukraine flag while waiting for the results.

These were some amazing acts of unity from Ukraine and other countries hopefully making citizens feel more supported.

## What can you do?

Donate to charities! This is a great way to try and help suffering citizens. You can donate to charities such as UNICEF or red cross.

A more life changing way would be to take in a refugee. As hard it would be you would change their paths in life.

You might find that you have some Ukrainian refugees at your school. Just a smile or a hello could make their day.

Join a peaceful protest. By joining a peaceful protest hopefully some authority in a fighting country and make them realise what is happening is wrong and how it affects people's lives. Volunteer at a shelter! By volunteering or donating to homeless shelters or food banks they can have some much-needed help to save the Ukrainian refugees.



# World Cup Controversy

By Isla Uttley

The world cup is currently being played and you might know that there is a lot of controversy behind it as it is played in Qatar who are notorious for having horrible human rights.

What have they done since the world cup started? Qatar wouldn't be fit to hold a world cup as they only had one stadium. So they had to build several but the working conditions have been appalling. Over six thousand five hundred immigrant workers have died after being promised a better life by the Qatari family who run the country and claim that. The workers were also promised 1 Qatari Riyal- their currency- and instead were only given 35p. They have also taken their passports off them so that they can't try and return from there old countries and are now being forced into manual labour. So many people have died just for the stadiums to be taken down.

Many footballers have tried to campaign against this such as the German team taking a pre-match photo showing them being gagged to replicate Qatari punishments for homosexuality. An ex Qatari footballer stated the gay people coming to visit Qatar was like a 'slap in the face' and that should be respecting their law. Harry Kane the English captain has been banned from wearing the one love captains' band and if he wears it then he will be given a yellow card.

FIFA

FIFA is notorious for being incredibly corrupt and susceptible to taking bribes from other countries. Many of the people who work as the delegates of FIFA are either in prison or facing charges against crimes they've committed while working under FIFA and some are even banned from football.



The media have released rumours that the Qatari government paid FIFA off to let them hold the world cup as countries such as America or Australia would have been much more fitting, having more stadiums hotels and airports. People wanting to see the world cup have been camping around the stadium as they don't have enough hotels.

The environment

The Qatar world cup has been the worst one for the environment as it has released even more carbon onto the environment.

They've also spent the most money and have spent 220 billion dollars whereas the prior title holder for the most expensive world cup- Russia- spent 11.7 billion dollars.

Disappointment

The world cup has been a massive waste for Qatar as they actually spent more money than it was worth as now a lot of the public are protesting and the stadiums have been practically empty.



# There's no Planet B

**This segment of the magazine shines the spotlight on issues surrounding the environment, an area our students are incredibly passionate about!**

## What actually is climate change?

By Callait Paterson

Climate change is one of the world's biggest problems. It effects everyone and all the animals around the globe. It is crucial that we learn about it.

### **The process**

- 1.Sunlight reaches the earth
- 2.Some energy is reflected into space and some is reradiated as heat
- 4.The majority of the heat is absorbed by green house gases and reflected in all directions, warming the earth.

### **How can the impact our future?**

At this rate by the end of 2100 almost half of all the worlds species will disappear from planet earth, creating one of the greatest ecological destructions known to mankind.



Illustration by Daisy Wingate

### **How can we help to prevent climate change?**

- Drive less – walk more.
- Use less electricity.
- Buy local produce .



# GET REAL ABOUT RECYCLING

By Clara Hathaway

Recycling is the process of collecting and processing materials so they can be made into new materials. Even in 500BC recycling has been used but recently I and lots of people have realised that not everyone has a recycling bin.

Recycling is important for many reasons; one is that it means if we reuse the same products (by reusing it individually or binning it and making something new out of it). This means we don't have to waste more resources to make new and employ more workers to manufacture more. By not making more it means we don't pollute the Earth with plastic more. As lots of us already know plastic affects lots of wildlife from seabirds ingesting plastic and having serious healthcare issues to turtles getting entangled in plastic which could lead to suffocation. Over 1 million marine animals are killed each year from plastic.

Also, recycling saves energy which then reduces greenhouse gas emissions so you lower your carbon footprint (your history of using in carbon). One more importance of recycling is that it means that the waste is not dumped on a landfill, landfills are in shortage and take up space which could be used for something else.

Recycling starts with the rubbish being collected at your house and transported to the factories where they sort the types of materials. After that they manufacture the old materials into the new. Then they transport the substances to the next factory where they sort and/or ship to the supermarkets for you to buy your products.

Importance

Process

# A Global Warning: Causes and Consequences

By Chloe Ayres

Global warming is an aspect of climate change, referring to the long-term rise of the planet's temperatures. It is caused by greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, mainly from human activities such as burning fossil fuels, and farming.

The potential future effects of global climate change include more frequent wildfires, longer periods of drought in some regions, and an increase in the duration and intensity of tropical storms. We may also see immense damage to wildlife and habitats, further economic damage and rising seas levels.

# 7 tips to become environment savvy

By Daisy Wingate

- 1) Buy a re-usable water bottle- this may not seem like much but every bottle helps.
- 2) Don't throw things away which could still be used - if you're having a clean out and you come across anything you don't want but could still be used by someone else remember to either sell it, give it away or donate it.
- 3) Recycle - separate your plastic, cardboard and cans from other rubbish.
- 4) Don't waste- when shopping only buy what you're going to use.
- 5) Reduce your power usage - remember to turn off light switches when leaving a room.
- 6) Grow some plants - they are very good air-cleaners since they produce oxygen as well as take in carbon dioxide.
- 7) Take public transport more often - if you don't already, consider taking the bus to or from school sometime.

# FAntastic experience for our girls!

By Evie Gill and Isabelle Sayles



**On Friday 4th of November some members from the FA came to look at some Girls chosen to play so football.**

**Also in attendance was Secretary of State for sport, Michelle Donelan, and representatives from The Football Foundation. The FA helped to create our new 3G pitches and wanted to come and see how girls' football was getting on following the win of the lionesses.**

**Some of the girls got to take a picture with the representatives and tell all about our football and how they feel about the lionesses win. Overall, the girls made our school proud.**

## Our sports stars...

- Many of our students took part in the Calderdale Cross Country competition, with plenty of Rastrick success!
- The Year 10 boys football team are through to the final of the West Yorkshire Cup after a 3-1 semi-final victory.
- Our under 13's girls football team secured a place in the West Yorkshire Cup final.
- The Year 10 boys rugby team ran out winners against Lightcliffe.
- Our Under 15's netball team won 11-8 at Ryburn, while the U13's drew 9-9.



# IN FOCUS: FIGURE SKATING

**By Sofia Capone**

**Figure skating is a sport in which individuals, pairs, or groups perform spins, jumps, footwork, and other challenging moves on ice skates. Figure skaters compete at various levels from beginner up to the Olympic level, and at local, national, and international competitions.**

## **How would you describe figure skating?**

**Figure skating is a unique and very technical sport involving jumps, spins, footwork, dancing, and even acrobatics all on ice skates. There are four different types: single skating, in pairs, ice dancing (you've all seen Dancing on Ice!) and synchronized.**

## **How often do you do it?**

**Normally I go figure skating 4 – 5 times a week for more than 3 hours. At the highest competitive level, figure skaters practice about 3-4 hours a day.**

## **What do you enjoy the most about it?**

**It is one of the most beautiful sports to watch in the world.**

## **Are figure skaters healthy?**

**There are so many health benefits to it! Figure skaters are constantly training and pushing their body to the limits. You see increased strength, flexibility, and coordination.**

**What would you like to see  
'in focus' in our next edition?**



# Book review: What to read next?

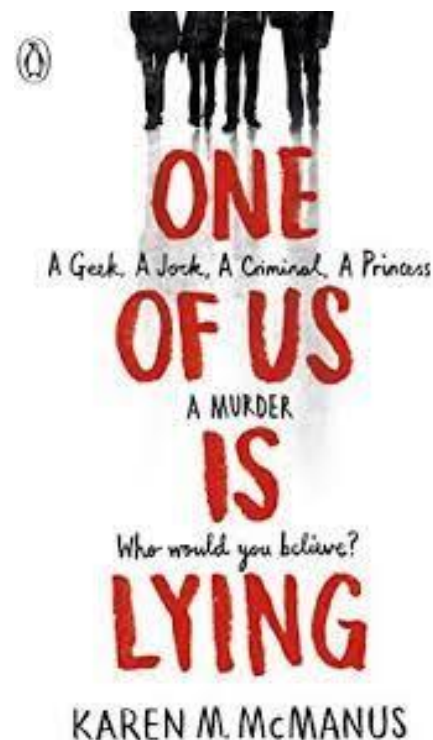
By Ava Blenkinsop

**One of us is lying** is a teen crime novel by Karen M McManus, published in 2017. The story follows of four students at Bayview High that witness a death during detention. Simon, the victim, had been known for a notorious gossip app 'About That', and held the other four's secrets, and would soon post them for all the world to see.

4/5 - Good Reads

This book was very enjoyable, I think it was a great read and I would happily read it again as it had a unique storyline. The characters were amazing, they were all developed well. I thought it was quite easy to read as the format of the novel is diary-like. It begins with a slow start but soon build tension throughout the text and leaves us asking questions.

However, I was disappointed by the ending. I believed that the reveal of who the killer was not shocking but actually underwhelming. I felt that after the killer was told, the book ended quite abruptly without much thought, which made me think that the ending was overlooked.



Overall, I would give this novel a 3/5 because it was amazing at building tension and was deeply suspenseful. However, the reveal was expected from the first chapter and fell flat.

Usually, everyone swears that the book is better than the TV adaptation, although this time I believe it wasn't the case. I absolutely adored this series (can be found on Netflix), it was extremely modern and was slightly humorous. The main theme of this series is teenage thriller, and it reminds me of a classic 90s chick-flick. The writers of this show decided to change the killer and I much preferred it, the plot had much more to it and seemed more exciting. Therefore, this book had an interesting storyline, and you may love it.



# Pick up a book this winter!

Recommended reads by Holly Arber

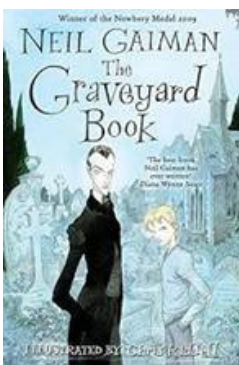


This book was written by the famous JK Rowling herself! It's thrilling story creates a Christmassy feeling in the air. the two Main characters venture into the unknown world without humans reach until a boy and his pig try to find a precious treasure...

Recommended for younger readers.

A fantasy adventure novel about a child who is washed ashore in a sea chest after a ship full of refugees is drowned. She is adopted by a circus group and, aged 14, discovers more about her own story and becomes involved in a plot to avenge the souls of her people who were drowned...

Recommended for Year 8 and 9

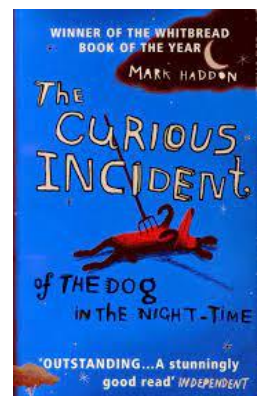


The graveyard book is about a child who can live between worlds is raised by ghosts in graveyard following the murder of his family.

Recommended For year 7

Mark Haddon's bestselling novel dealing with a young man's experience of living with autism.

Recommended for year 9+



Have you got any recommendations? Pass them on to your English teacher for the next issue!

# Hungry? Quick and easy after school snacks

By Daisy Wingate

Are you hungry? Has it been a long day? Well, I'm going to show you 3 different recipes you can make yourself at home if you're feeling a bit peckish. Who has time to run to the shops to make something to eat. These recipes use barely any ingredients and don't use up a lot of time and effort.

## Scrumptious Smoothies

This smoothie recipe is vegan friendly and super quick to make! It only contains three ingredients, and a blender is necessary.

175g strawberries  
1 small banana  
100ml orange juice, chilled

- 1) All you have to do is place all the ingredients into a blender until smooth.
- 2) Pour into a glass and its ready to enjoy!

## Shortbread biscuits

The cooking time is 10-20 minutes and contains 20-24 biscuits. If you like you can also add chocolate chips.

-180g plain flour  
-55g caster sugar  
-125g butter (unsalted works best)

- 1) Preheat the oven to 190C/170C fan/Gas 5
- 2) Add both the butter and sugar to a bowl and beat until smooth.
- 3) Add in the flour and stir until you get a smooth paste. On a lightly floured work surface gently roll out the paste until it's about 1cm thick.
- 4) Cut out your shapes and place on a baking tray, sprinkle with caster sugar and chill in the fridge for around 20 minutes.
- 5) After bake in the preheated oven for 15-20 minutes until golden-brown. Once they are out of the oven set aside on a wire rack until cool.

## Perfect Pancakes

The cooking time in 20 minutes but take 10 minutes to prepare.

100g plain flour  
2 eggs  
300ml milk

- 1) Put the flour, milk and eggs into a bowl and whisk until smooth.
- 2) Put a medium frying pan over medium heat and carefully wipe it with some oiled kitchen paper.
- 3) When hot put some mixture into the pan and cook for one min on each side until golden.
- 4) Serve either with some lemon wedges (optional) if you want.

# What does Christmas mean to our teachers?

By Esme Whiteley, Coen Carlton and Annabelle Jones

'Childhood memories' -  
Mr Cooper

'Seeing friends' -  
Mr Reid

'Time spent with family' - Miss Hinchliffe

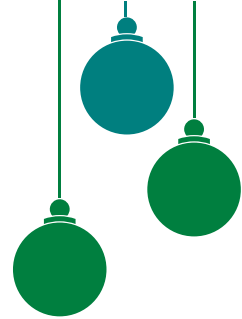
'Spirit and joy of Christmas' -  
Mr Waterworth

'Church' -  
Miss Wiz

'A time for festivity' -  
Miss Baig

'Opening presents' -  
Miss Cristopher

# HOW TO MAKE THE PERFECT MINCE PIES THIS CHRISTMAS!



Mince pies are the perfect touch to end a Christmas meal because some people believe that eating them at Christmas brings good luck and they taste amazing!

By Elizabeth Crowther and Matilda Sutcliffe

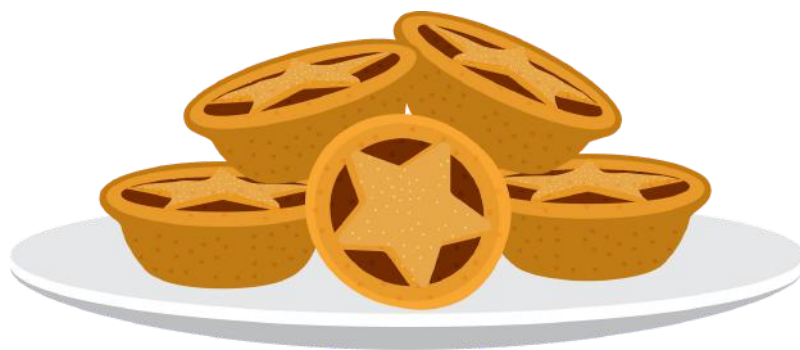
## Ingredients:

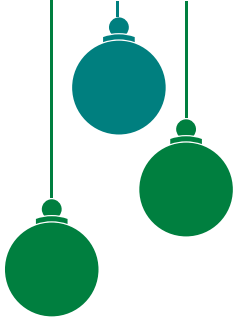
- 350g flour
- 280g mincemeat
- 225g butter
- 100g sugar
- 1 egg
- Icing sugar to dust

## Pastry:

1. Rub butter into flour.
2. Mix in the sugar.
3. Combine into a ball.
4. Knead briefly.

1. Heat oven to 200 degrees.
2. Line 18 holes of baking tray.
3. Press balls of dough into each hole.
4. Spoon in mincemeat.
5. Make lids out of remaining pastry. Cover each pie.
6. Press edges to seal.
7. Brush top of each pie with egg.
8. Bake for 20 minutes.
9. Dust with icing sugar and enjoy!





# MERRY QUIZMAS!

By Jessica Emsley

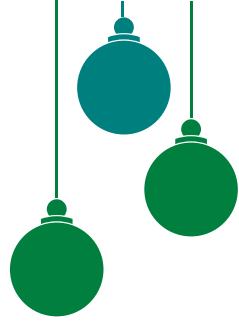
Brainboxes, test your Christmas knowledge with our festive quiz!

1. *What are the names of the nine reindeers?*
2. *What religion is Christmas most widely celebrated in?*
3. *Which country first created Christmas trees?*
4. *Why is the candy cane shaped as a J?*
5. *Where was the candy cane created?*
6. *Why is Santa Claus dressed in red?*
7. *What did people originally use to decorate their trees with?*
8. *Was St Nicholas a real person?*
9. *How many Christmas cards are sent per year in the USA?*
10. *Which country traditionally eats KFC on Christmas Day?*

Answers:

1. Rudolph, Vixen, Cupid, Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Comet, Donner, Blitzen
2. Christianity but non-Christians also celebrate culturally
3. Germany
4. For Jesus' name
5. Germany
6. For the Coca Cola AD
7. Candles
8. Yes
9. Approximately 1.3 billion
10. Japan

# A laugh a line!



Jokes and illustration by Harriet Lester

Q: What kind of insurance do rats get?

A: Road-dent insurance

Q: What do frogs buy from Ikea?

A: Toad-stools

Q: What do you call a block of cheese with hair?

A: Permesan

Q: What type of stationary equipment has the most criminal activity?

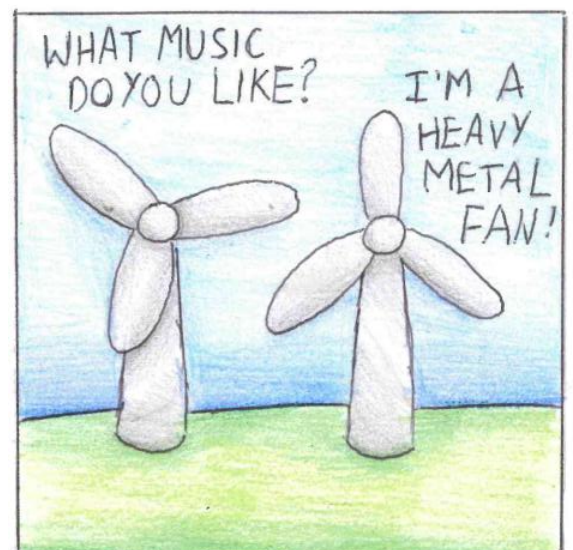
A: There are lots of pencil-cases!

Q: What time does a duck wake up?

A: At the quack of dawn

Q: Where do keyboards go to have dinner?

A: The space bar





# Mega Christmas Wordsearch

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A	T	E	S	C	R	E	G	N	I	T	A	K	S
I	T	S	E	L	B	U	A	B	A	T	E	H	P
T	O	H	N	L	H	C	D	D	T	E	N	U	R
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- ICE
- CHRISTMAS
- COLD
- FILMS
- CHOCOLATE
- SKATING
- MINCE
- RUDOLPH
- ELF
- CARDS
- TINSEL
- REINDEER
- SONGS
- BAUBLES
- STAR
- ANGEL
- HOT
- GIFT
- NATIVITY
- SANTA
- TREE
- SNOW
- TURKEY
- PUDDING

# Term Dates

## 2022-2023

### September

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
		1	2	3	4	
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### October

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### November

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### December

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### January

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### February

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### March

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### April

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### May

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### June

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### July

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### August

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