



Mr Welsh's Thanks & Christmas Wishes



I would like to take this opportunity, more than ever, to thank each and every one of you for your continued support of our truly wonderful school. It goes without saying, 2023 has been such a successful year for our school community - our 'Good' Ofsted Inspection, our best ever Y6 Outcomes in July, Matilda the Musical in the summer whilst not forgetting our evolving curriculum offer and how we continue to grow and improve every single day! As an NJA Family, we have all achieved so much and we should be proud of the love which has been shared!

The staff and Academy Standards Committee are extremely appreciative of the support that the school receives from parents, and members of the school community, in order to benefit our children and this is something we will never take for granted!

May I also thank each member of our incredible school staff, who have continued to go above and beyond to ensure your children receive a top-quality education. The children are extremely lucky to have such dedicated and passionate people working with them and I know they're all ready for a good rest over the holidays.

At this time of year, I increasingly reflect and remind myself what a privilege it is to lead and serve our school community and I will look forward to the successes that 2024 will bring for us all. During this term, the buzz and atmosphere in school has been fantastic and so many visitors have commented on the 'lovely feeling' when entering NJA and the behaviour of our children! As I've said to you before, and I will always say, it is always about making NJA a true beacon of excellence; Normanton Junior Academy is a truly amazing school, which continues to go from strength to strength and I couldn't be any prouder!

Over the past 2 weeks, we've had Christmas music playing in the corridors, a Christmas Community Morning, a school Christmas Card Competition, made Christmas Cards in class, taken part in a Sponsored Reindeer Runathon in aid of the Prince of Wales Hospice, held Christmas Parties and Film Day, wore our Christmas Jumpers, enjoyed a delicious Christmas Dinner, had a whole school trip to the panto, performed a whole school nativity performance of 'The Magical Christmas Jigsaw' three times and this morning, there was even a gift from Santa, underneath the tree for each child! The children have smiled, danced, sung and burst with happiness!



It has simply been a time of joy, celebration and excellence in all its forms and is just one of the many examples that showcase the amazing school that we are. As one of our Y6 children said to me earlier this week..."Mr Welsh, thank you for that delicious Christmas Dinner and taking us to the panto!" It's my pleasure, boys and girls!

And finally...may I take this opportunity to wish everyone in our school community a very happy and peaceful Christmas. On behalf of the whole staff too, thank you all for your cards, presents and kind wishes, this Christmas season. These are never expected but mean so much.

I hope all our families have a wonderful and well-deserved Christmas, and that Santa brings you all everything you deserve!

I wish you all a happy and healthy New Year too, and I look forward to seeing you all back in school again, on Monday 8th January 2024.

Please stay safe, well and take care.

*Mr Welsh
Headteacher*

*Merry
Christmas*

The text "Merry Christmas" is written in a cursive font. "Merry" is in red and "Christmas" is in green. To the right of the word "Merry" are several green holly leaves and red berries.

hello  *2024*
Happy New Year

The graphic features the text "hello 2024 Happy New Year" in a black cursive font. The year "2024" is rendered in a large, gold, glittery font. Above the year, there are two champagne glasses clinking, with gold streamers and confetti around them.