



Merry Christmas

The Big Nativity

This year, we have been delighted that we have been able to host our Early Years and Key Stage 1 nativities. The last time that we were able to do this, was December 2019. We were really impressed with the performances, fantastic acting, singing and dancing.

On Tuesday, we went to St Paul's Church for our brilliant Christmas Service, again it was brilliant to be there again it has been three years since we have been there. The children exceeded all expectations.

I would like to thank all the parents that joined us on both occasions.

On behalf of myself, staff and governors, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



'WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER'

BROADFIELD PUPILS UNITE WITH SIX OTHER SCHOOLS FOR MANCHESTER SINGS

Children from Broadfield Primary School in Oldham recently joined pupils from six other schools across Greater Manchester to perform together in an uplifting festival of music and poetry, held in the spectacular setting of Manchester Cathedral.

Thirty Broadfield pupils in Year 5 had been busy rehearsing for several months in readiness for *Manchester Sings* - the third event of its kind organised by Fallowfield-based Withington Girls' School - but this was the first time that all 230 children from participating schools had united to perform as a single massed choir. Children from Broadfield Primary were joined by singers from St Luke's CofE Primary (Bury), Whitefield Community Primary and Manchester schools, St Kentigern's RC Primary, Wilbraham Primary, St Margaret's CofE Primary and Withington Girls' School. All participants donned colourful t-shirts for the occasion and with happy, beaming smiles and great gusto, they performed a harmonious and often rousing medley of songs, interwoven with readings written by pupils, inspired by the theme 'We're all in this together'. The Cathedral was filled with families, friends and invited guests, who included the Lord-Lieutenant of Greater Manchester, Mrs Diane Hawkins DL JP, and the Lord Mayor of the City of Manchester, Councillor Donna Ludford.

Mrs Ria Drabble, a Year 5 teacher at Broadfield, who has worked alongside Withington's Director of Music and *Manchester Sings* organiser Mrs Gilly Sargent with three different classes since the project was launched in 2019, said: "*Manchester Sings* provides our children with an invaluable opportunity to be part of something so much bigger than themselves. They feel an enormous sense of pride when they attend *Manchester Sings*, pride at representing both their school and their town. They see themselves as part of a larger community, working with a common goal, and they get to feel the exhilaration of performing to a large crowd of people. Over the rehearsal period, it has been an absolute pleasure to see them grow in both confidence and enthusiasm for the music we have rehearsed."

Broadfield pupils also spoke of their involvement in the event. "I really enjoyed *Manchester Sings* - my favourite song was *We're all in this together*," said Stephen, while Falak said, "*Manchester Sings* was a lot of fun, and I liked singing with the other schools as a big team."

Withington's Mrs Sargent, who has led rehearsals at each of the schools over the past few months, explained that this year's theme had been chosen as a reminder of the strength of community and the need to support each other through challenging times. "It is, however, a story with a message of hope," she said. "Everyone has a voice, every voice has a song and as always, this has been a musical journey for all the children involved."

Manchester Sings is an annual event that aims to give children from across Greater Manchester the opportunity to celebrate community and the power of song. Funds raised during the event and via online donations go to help the Booth Centre and Wood Street Mission. Beaverbrooks Jewellers are *Manchester Sings*' sponsors.

Ends



Chess Competition

On Friday 18th November, our school took part in a chess competition at the Oldham Hulme Grammar School. Eight schools took part in the tournament. The competition was won by Hulme Preparatory School who scored an excellent 28 points out of a possible 30 points and was somewhere clear of their nearest rivals.

The next five teams were separated by 1 point, but second place was won by St Herbert's Primary School. Broadfield finished a very creditable joint 4th place, just half a point behind second place.

The star performer for the Broadfield team was Hamayl Hussain who played on board number 1 and only lost one game to the Hulme Grammar number one player.

The next big competition for Broadfield will take place in March 2023 where we will be hoping to improve joint 4th place.



Fund raising

Our Children in Need was again a real success, thank you to everybody who baked cakes, we raised £645.

This year (2022), we raised £866 for the Pakistani Flood appeal and £403 for the Bangladeshi appeal.

Thank you everybody for your generosity.



Broadfield Primary School

Awards



'Together We Can Achieve'

Pupil of the Term



Acorns am	Hadiya
Acorns pm	Husnain
Nursery am	Ayana
Nursery pm	Sumayyah
Reception 1	Zahra
Reception 2	Laiba
Year 1 Larch	Khadijar
Y1/2 Beech	Ana-Maria
Y2 Willow	Abdul
Y3 Maple	Beniamin
Y3/4 Chestnut	Ibrahim
Y3/4 Woodlands	Warith
Y5 Ash	Momina
Y5 Sycamore	Adina
Y6 Elm	Musa
Y6 Oak	Malaika
SENDCo	Hussain
Deputy Headteacher	SL
Deputy Headteacher	Falak
Deputy Headteacher	Luqmaan
Headteacher	Roman
Headteacher	Razia



Best Attendance

This term's best attenders are:



Well Done to All!

Well done!