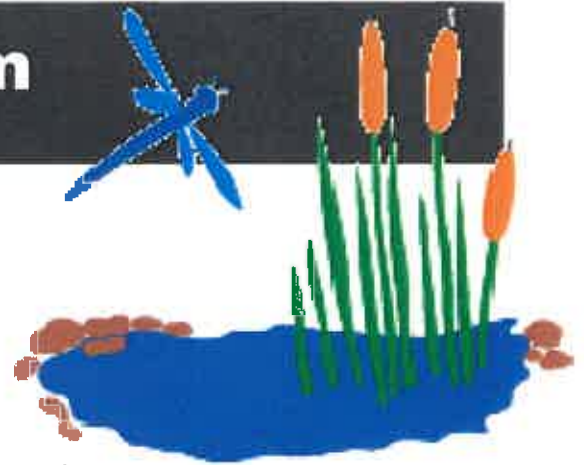


Merry Christmas from

Dragonfly



Sowerby Community Primary School | Autumn 2016

## Rockin' at Orchid House



The Community Choir made a big hit at newly-opened Orchid House just a few hundred yards from Sowerby School when they were invited to sing for the new residents. The

Manager Mrs Kate Raistrick welcomed them on a wet morning and they sang Silent Night and other songs,

ending with Rockin' around the Christmas

Tree. Then they were

rewarded with juice and cupcakes in the new restaurant. There is no doubt they

will be invited back – soon!



*Dragonfly* is the School's newspaper, written largely by pupils in years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Its aim is to report some of the exciting things that have happened during the term. It comes out at the end of each term. Editors – Eloise, Fiona and Kelly

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**Fiona brings us up to date on the new build:**

## CABIN CATCH UP



As the summer went on the builders were hard at work getting the Portacabin classrooms finished in time for the start of term. They had all hands on, hard work, into these lovely year 2 classrooms. They have air-conditioning which has made the school all jealous! One day a huge crane had to come and plonk the Portacabin into place. Once the cabin had been put in place the builders had to do all of the inside toilets, sinks, plumbing, electricity, digital boards, topic boards, painting and carpet.

Here are some images.





# What is Christmas?

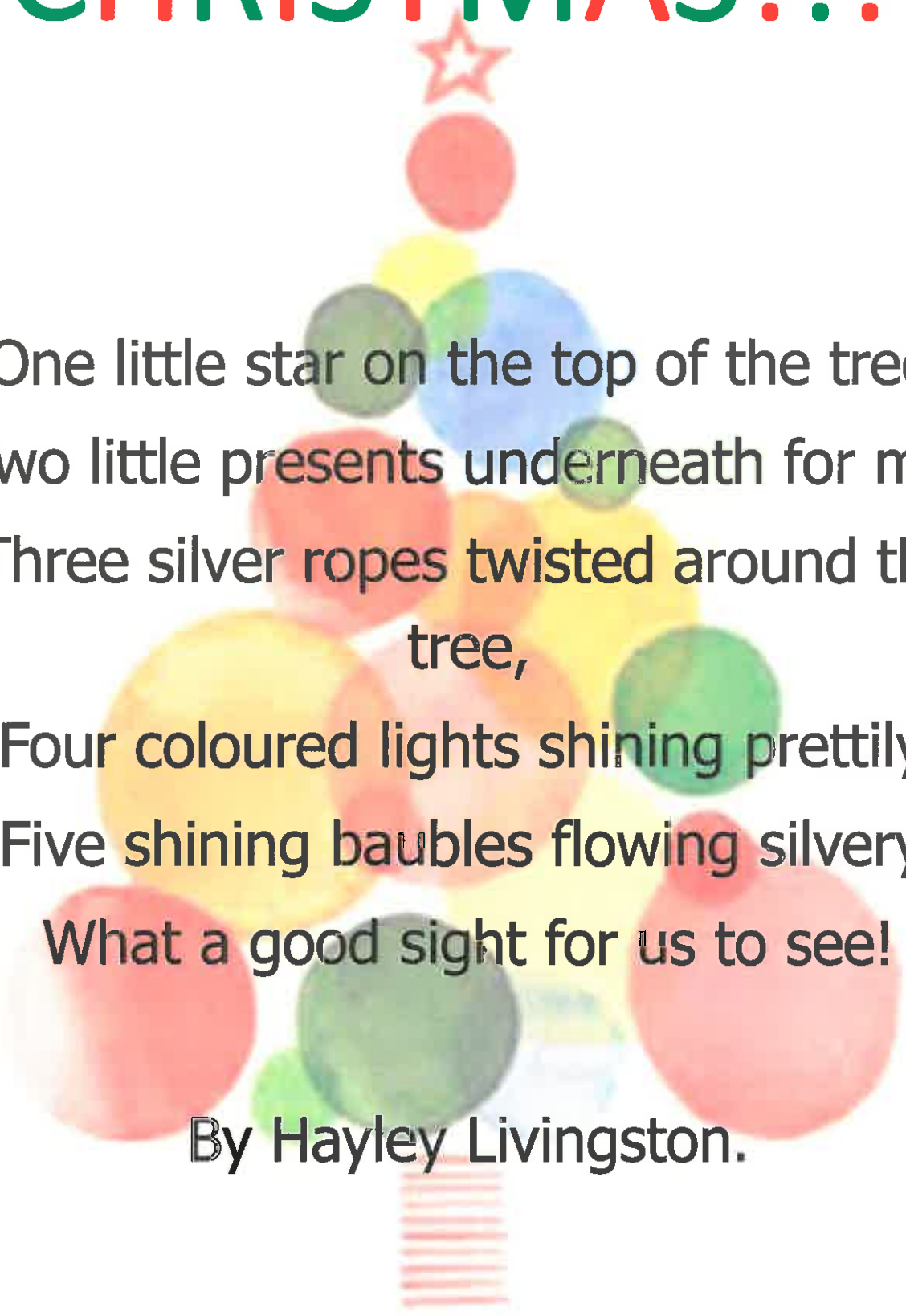
Lots of us these days celebrate Christmas with lots of presents, big trees, cards, special food and decorations. Believe it or not once upon a time there was no Christmas!

Go back 2016 years for the first Christmas. In a stable in Bethlehem there was a brand new baby had been born, he was named Jesus, no one knew it then but he was going to be a saviour to many. These days we might call him Christ.

Christmas means Christ mass, "mass" in church terms means a worship. So Christmas translates to a service, worshipping Christ.

Fiona Halkyard

# CHRISTMAS!!!



One little star on the top of the tree,  
Two little presents underneath for me,  
Three silver ropes twisted around the  
tree,  
Four coloured lights shining prettily,  
Five shining baubles flowing silvery,  
What a good sight for us to see!

By Hayley Livingston.

**Grace has designed posters about hand-washing, road safety and food waste at lunchtime.**

**I wanted to do them because I want people to be safe and to be well so that they can get more learnt. I feel good that I have done them. I hope that people will read them and do what they say, so that then they will be safe and well.**

**How I designed them: I wanted them to be eye-catching so people will see them. I don't put a lot of words but it still tells you what to do to be safe and well.**

## Road safety

Road safety is very important because we don't want people to be knocked over by cars, bikes and motorbikes -

so wear something bright, because if you wear something bright in the dark, you will be seen by a car so it will stop.

If you are crossing a road never run across a road - always wait - however long you wait it will be worth it! So always look before crossing a road.

**BY GRACE SIMPSON DRAGONFLY**

# Food waste by Grace Simpson

Dragonfly writer

People are putting food on the floor

**Messy!**



**Waste**

**If you don't like it then don't put it on  
the floor !!!**

# The JRSO\* team appeal for a new Zebra crossing

\*Junior Road Safety Officers prepare a petition to the County Council

We would like you to make a new zebra crossing by Sowerby Gateway. We think we need a new zebra crossing at the start of the 20mph zone coming from Sowerby Gateway because with the new houses being built children could easily walk across the road without looking.



We think it would be useful to have a zebra crossing there especially as the High School is close to there and the children at the school probably won't go down to the zebra crossing by Tesco.

Thank you

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By Lilly Coy ☺



At the end of November or early December, we put up the Christmas tree and decorate it with these following items: baubles, tinsels, beads, Christmas lights, angels, stars, candy cane and much more



# Sofia is keen on... Puppies

Saint Bernard , Pugs, Dachshund, Boxers, Doberman, Labradors, Huskies, Old English Mastiff, Chiuauas , Mutt, Great Dane, Border terriers, German shepherd and Border collie.



Saint Bernards are cute and fluffy, you can play with them and teach them like how to fetch.



Pugs are cute and they are small.



Boxers are big dogs and they have a short tail and pointy ears.



Dachshunds are long and they are like sausage dogs.

## The Yorkshire Vet

The Yorkshire vet is documentary about Skeldale Veterinary Centre at Thirsk Industrial Estate. People come from all over Yorkshire. James Herriot was the Yorkshire vet before Julian Norton. James Herriot, born on 3rd of October 1916, died on 23rd February 1995 at the age of 78. His real name was Alfred Wight.

*by Layla Till*



Julian Norton



# The Great Fire of London

The Great Fire of London happened 350 years ago but how did it happen? Well, there was a storm blowing through London so that would have obviously meant that everyone who could have a stove would have it lit. The king's baker called Tomas Farriner had his stove lit and the flames caught something in the house as most things in the house were made of wood and most houses were as well. The fire lasted three days and nights from Sunday 2nd September to Wednesday 5th September 1666. When the fire was finally out it had burned down 80% of London - but you've got to remember it was a lot smaller then. There was no fire brigade so people had buckets of water. Ever since then we have had a fire brigade because it made people think.

By Fiona Halkyard



# All about Christmas

Christmas is a fun time but it is also a special time. Christmas is a time when we celebrate Jesus Christ. Christmas isn't all about presents, it is all about having fun and spending time with your family and friends. This year I would like everybody to have an amazing Christmas and I hope you get all you want. MERRY CHRISTMAS.  
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## Things to do in the Christmas holidays.

1. Put up the Christmas tree
2. Go Christmas shopping
3. Go to church
4. Go up to Sutton Bank and have a snow ball fight
5. Eat sweets
6. Go Christmas carolling
7. Do baking
8. Go and see family and friends
9. Go to Christmas parties
10. Have fun!!

By Lilly Coy☺ and Mollie Hardy

Lizzie has written the start of a lovely Christmas story – read it out and then think of an ending, perhaps a surprise ending...



## The christmas tree

Once upon a time, there was a little Christmas tree. All the other Christmas trees where mean to him. He was the smallest Christmas tree in the forest and for the past five Christmases no one had chopped him down to make him their Christmas tree.

It was the 12th of December and a lot of the trees had been chopped down. The rest of the trees hopes were still in for everyone liked a big Christmas tree.

Then, one day, a man, woman and two children came into forest to find a Christmas tree. They walked past all the big trees and came to the little tree...



*Merry Christmas*

Did you know that Oklahoma was the last USA state to declare Christmas a legal holiday? Based on surveys and statistics, over 45% of the world's population celebrate the Christmas season. It is time that Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, the son of God. Christmas Day falls on December 25 every year.

What's white and goes up? A confused snow flake!

What do you call an old snowman? Water!

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A little message from the Dragonfly writers:



*Merry Christmas*

*Sowerby School!*

See you all next year!

Created by Lilly☺