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Celebrating Success in Autumn 2, 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

The half-term started with a brilliantly successful Writing Week enjoyed by children right across the school. Children were inspired to write through a range of trips, visits and activities. The children were enthused and excited to write which is exactly what we hope for and there will be further Writing Days/Weeks as the year progresses.

The festive season has certainly been a busy one over the last couple of weeks! We have been keeping ourselves busy with an excellent Nativity from Nursery & Reception, super Carol Services from Years 1 - 6, a whole-school trip to the panto yesterday and a brilliant Christingle Service this morning to name just a few! Thank you for joining us for these events.

The following children have worked hard this term to reach the next mile-stone in the number of house-points that they have achieved. Zack, Poppy, Jaydon, Sienna, Harrison K., Josh, Andrew, Hollie, Finlay, Taylor, Henry, Sophia and Evan have all achieved ten house-points. Phoenix, Grace H. and Fallon have achieved twenty and Lottie and Alex B. have achieved thirty. Congratulations to all!

This term, the House Cup has been presented to Beech house with a fantastic 328 house-points! Congratulations to all of those in Beech for your hard-work and efforts across the curriculum this term.

We have recently cashed in the school's latest collections for Great Ormond Street Hospital, which has been the school's charity of choice over the last few years. The school had raised in excess of £300, which contributes to Rowan's fund-raising efforts for GOSH. Rowan's fund-raising for the hospital has now exceeded £90 000! An unbelievable achievement I'm sure you'll agree! There will be more collections at the end of the day today for anyone who would like to contribute!

I would like to take this opportunity to extend a heart-felt thank you to all parents, governors, staff and, of course, children for making the last five and a bit years so enjoyable for me. I have genuinely loved working at Great Gaddesden CofE School and it will hold a very special place in my heart in the years to come. The school has a truly special community, one that I feel privileged to have been a part of and I know the school will continue to go from strength to strength. Thank you for your kind words, support and encouragement.

Wishing all families a peaceful and relaxing Christmas and New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs N. Comer
Headteacher

**"NEVER DOUBT THAT A SMALL GROUP OF
THOUGHTFUL, COMMITTED CITIZENS CAN CHANGE
THE WORLD; INDEED IT IS THE ONLY THING THAT
EVER HAS."**

MARGARET MEAD



SUPER-HEROES IN NURSERY & RECEPTION FOR WRITING WEEK!



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY!



YEARS 5 & 6 VISITING SKY STUDIOS FOR WRITING WEEK!



ENJOYING THE SNOW LAST WEEK!



PENALTY FOOTBALL SHOOT-OUT AT WATFORD FOOTBALL CLUB.