

## Happy Birthday

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Oritsetsemaye Muoyo –  
1<sup>st</sup> December



## Stars of the Week

**Playgroup – Zena Omenai.** Zena was very nice to her friends this week. She was helping them with little tasks and reminding them to share. Great role model.

**Nursery – Olanitan Edun**  
For being an enthusiastic learner who always takes up the challenge of new activities.

**Reception – Victor Nsikan**  
Victor has shown leadership skills this week when participating in the Nativity. Great work Victor!

**Year 1 – Emmanuel Emmanuel-King**  
For settling into BIS well and being a super independent learner. Emmanuel is beginning to display real maturity. Keep it up, Emmanuel!

**Year 2/3 – Lucile Pelletier**  
For demonstrating real leadership skills during the preparations for the Christmas rehearsals. What a star you are!

**Year 4/5 – The whole group**  
Every member of the group has been outstanding this week! Mrs. David could not possibly make a choice. Well done to you all!



Well done to all the stars!

## Key dates

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec - Parent Consultations via Zoom  
4<sup>th</sup> December - Last Day of term and Christmas party day



# Banana Island School

*A Happy School with High Expectations*

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Christmas cheer is all around us at Banana Island School. From decorations to festive maths and of course, the Nativity. We have certainly been busy.



Playgroup and Toddlers blasted off the week talking about friendship and kindness. They have demonstrated this kindness every day and made a friendship tree, which they shared amongst themselves. They also enjoyed reading 'The Rainbow Fish'.

A very excitable 'Show and Tell' session stole the show in Nursery. Children showed off their costumes and demonstrated how their characters helped. Ah, we mustn't forget to mention the Nativity! What stars we have!



Reception has continued to learn about winter celebrations, with Christmas and Hanukkah being a focus. They made menorahs and dreidels. They also painted pictures of Mary and Joseph traveling to Bethlehem in readiness for their Nativity performance. In Math, they have continued to learn about 3D shapes and whether they roll, stack, or slide. So much fun and learning happening!

Fabulous times we had in Year 1, making Nativity booklets. Children sequenced the events of the story and wrote fantastic sentences to retell the Nativity. The children also had fun working out what operations to use for solving mathematical word problems. The highlight of their week was the very unique Christmas concert they had in school.



Years 2 and 3 have been busy bees. They have mastered the skills of acting and singing and shown greater depth in their mathematical problem-solving. They still had some time for some Festive fun.



Years 4 and 5 have been busy applying their skills to real-life situations. This week, the children have been celebrated as Playwrights. Singing, from Years 4 and 5, has filled the corridors all week long, and at the Nativity performance, they truly excelled themselves.



## Christmas Parties

Dear parents, we have had an amazing term. The children have worked so hard in class and have learned new skills, techniques, and ways to apply their new found knowledge. We honestly couldn't be prouder! As a result, we would like to treat the children to a party on the last day of term, **Friday the 4th of December.**

Children can come to school in their party clothes and bring items of food or drink for their party. Any foods or drinks should be brought in by Wednesday the 2nd of December to allow for an isolation period. **Please note that any food items must not include any traces of nuts.** I would like to point out that our usual COVID procedures will continue to be in place and that all parties will happen within the bubbles.

**Have a wonderful weekend everyone.**