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with Mr Horn

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Highlights and
Class News

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If you would like to write an article or a letter for the next issue, please submit it to Miss Tait (y2).

We are all different
but should all be
treated the same.

Maisy's Motivations:

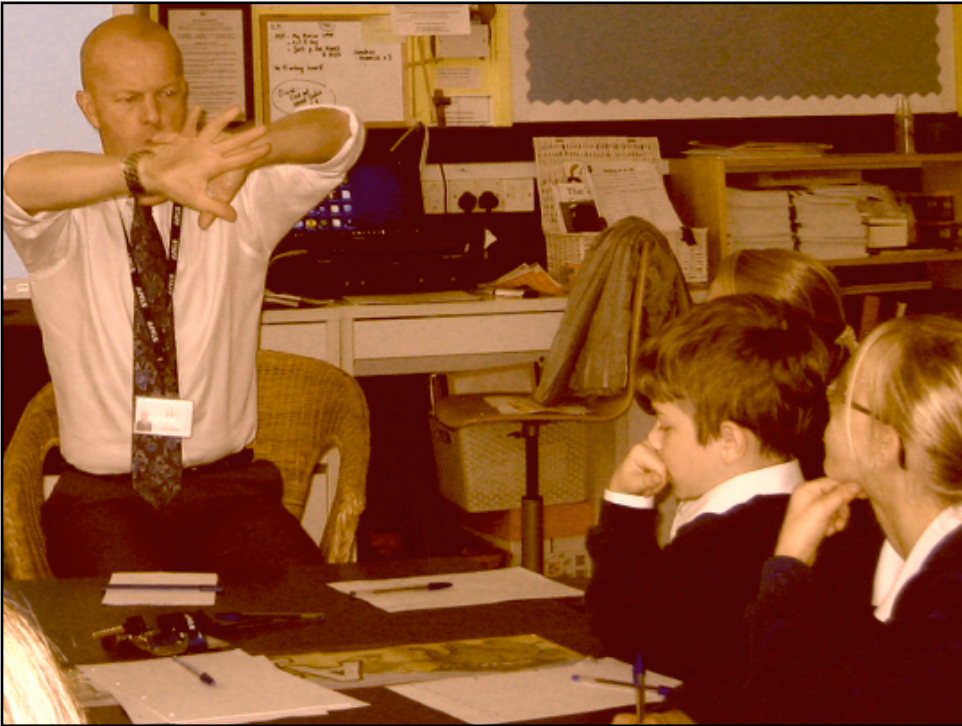
You only fail
once you give up
trying.



So long, Farewell Mr Horn

Maisy G. and Brooke W.

This term we say goodbye to Mr Horn as he leaves to start his new job. Newspaper club interviewed Mr Horn to find out a little more about how he is feeling about this big change for himself and for our school.



Mr Horn being interviewed by Newspaper Club
Photos by Charlie H.

Can you tell us a little bit about your new job?

I am going to work in an office and not a school anymore. My job will be to make other schools better and fix things if something goes wrong. I'm going to have 25 schools to look after and I'm feeling a bit nervous about starting a new job.

Have you enjoyed being at King Street?

Yes, I really love being here. Everyone is really friendly. When I go outside, people always say, "Hello Mr Horn, are you okay?" and it feels lovely to be part of the King Street family.

What has been your favourite memory at King Street?

My favourite memory was when we had a school trip to the forest with Year 6 and we collected as many conkers as we could carry. The forest was filled with conker trees and conkers. Some were shiny. Some were still in their shells. It was a brilliant day and nobody wanted to go home. I've got two conkers in my office and they help me to remember that day.

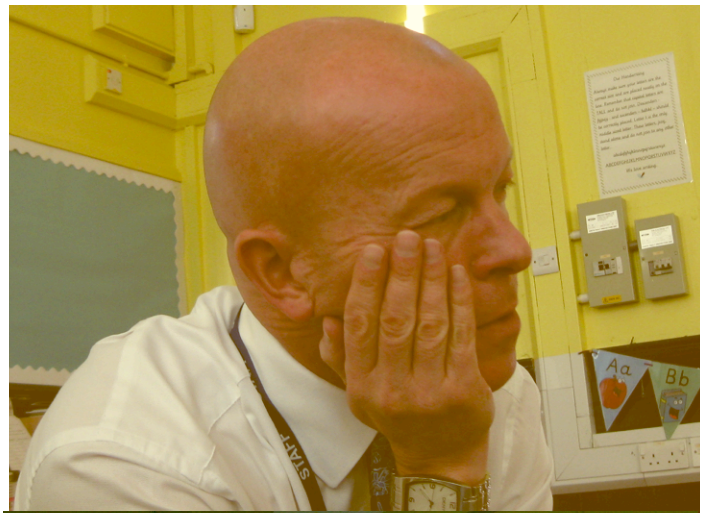
What has been your proudest moment at King Street?

I feel proudest when I see all the boys and girls sitting quietly in rows before assembly starts. It looks fantastic to see everyone together like that and it shows me what a brilliant school this is.

What is your favourite book?

Out of the Ashes by Michael Morpugo. It's a story about a little girl who lives on a farm but a nasty disease threatens the animals and they have to be put to sleep by the vet. The little girl hides one little lamb in her bedroom cupboard but it already has the disease...

It's a very sad book and it is a true story. I won't tell you what happens at the end. You should read it.



Who will you miss the most- the teachers or the pupils?

I will miss the people who come to my room and push letters under my door or post things in my letterbox so I suppose I will miss the children most because the teachers never post me any letters or pictures!

But really, I will miss everybody!

Do you have any advice for current and future pupils?

If you are dreaming about something and you really want to do it, keep the dream in your head and try to do it. Keep hold of your dreams and don't let anyone tell you that you can't do something, because you can!

Finally, what colour are your PJs?

Oh I have lots of different pyjamas for different times. I have Christmas PJs and Weekend PJs and School night PJs. But tonight I am wearing my blue, grey and red pyjamas and I bought them, not my mam!



Thank you very much Mr
Horn. Everyone in
Newspaper Club wishes
you the best of luck in
your new job.
We are all going to miss
you very much.

**"How lucky I am to have
something that makes
saying goodbye so hard."
- Winnie the Pooh**



**'Promise me you'll always
remember:
You are braver than you believe,
stronger than you seem and
smarter than you think.'**

Chapter X.

In which Christopher Robin and Pooh come to an enchanted place, and we leave them there

CHRISTOPHER ROBIN was going away. Nobody knew why he was going; nobody knew where he was going; indeed, nobody even knew why he knew that Christopher Robin was going away. But somehow or other everybody in the forest felt that it was happening at last...

Suddenly Christopher Robin began to tell Pooh about some of the things: People called Kings and Queens and something called Factors, and a place called Europe, and an island in the middle of the sea where no ships came, and how you make a Suction Pump (if you want to), and when Knights were Knighted, and what comes from Brazil. And Pooh, his back against one of the sixty-something trees and his paws folded in front of him, said "Oh!" and "I didn't know," and thought how wonderful it would be to have a Real Brain which could tell you things. And by-and-by Christopher Robin came to an end of the things, and was silent, and he sat there looking out over the world, and wishing it wouldn't stop.

Then Pooh began to think of all the things Christopher Robin would want to tell him when he came back from wherever he was going to, and how muddling it would be for a Bear of Very Little Brain to try and get them right in his mind. "So, perhaps," he said sadly to himself, "Christopher Robin won't tell me any more," and he wondered if being a Faithful Knight meant that you just went on being faithful without being told things.

Then, suddenly again, Christopher Robin, who was still looking at the world with his chin in his hands, called out "Pooh!"

"Yes?" said Pooh.

"When I'm--when-- Pooh!"

"Yes, Christopher Robin?"

"I'm not going to do Nothing any more."

"Never again?"

"Well, not so much. They don't let you."

Pooh waited for him to go on, but he was silent again.

"Yes, Christopher Robin?" said Pooh helpfully.

"Pooh, when I'm--you know--when I'm not doing Nothing, will you come up here sometimes?"

"Just Me?"

"Yes, Pooh."

"Will you be here too?"

"Yes, Pooh, I will be really. I promise I will be, Pooh."

"That's good," said Pooh.

"Pooh, promise you won't forget about me, ever. Not even when I'm a hundred."

Pooh thought for a little.

"How old shall I be then?"

"Ninety-nine."

Pooh nodded.

"I promise," he said.

Still with his eyes on the world Christopher Robin put out a hand and felt for Pooh's paw.

"Pooh," said Christopher Robin earnestly, "if I--if I'm not quite" he stopped and tried again -- "Pooh, whatever happens, you will understand, won't you?"

"Understand what?"

"Oh, nothing." He laughed and jumped to his feet. "Come on!"

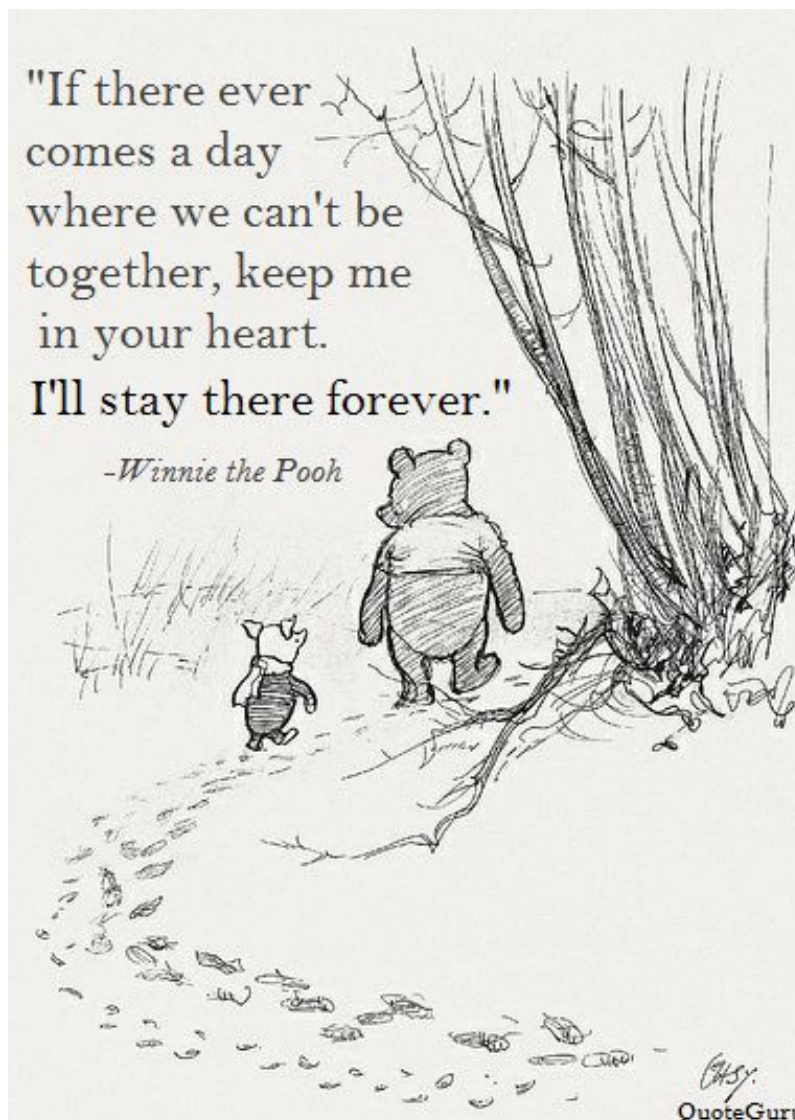
"Where?" said Pooh.

"Anywhere," said Christopher Robin.

So they went off together. But wherever they go, and whatever happens to them on the way, in that enchanted place on the top of the Forest a little boy and his Bear will always be playing.

The House at Pooh Corner

- A.A. Milne



Christopher Robin and the real Winnie the Pooh.

This chapter from The House at Pooh Corner is about a boy who is growing up and has to go to school. He is leaving his childhood friends behind...



Dear Durham County Council,

We are writing to support our wonderful and helpful teaching assistants. We strongly feel that the proposed pay cuts are really unfair! Our TAs deserve way better. Without TAs we would get less work done, hardly any after school clubs would run or breakfast clubs. Our teachers would be really stressed. We couldn't go on trips (what would we do on trips with only one teacher?) Also there would be hardly any special events e.g. charity days, PJ day, dress down day, because without our TAs none of this could be organised.

If TAs lose even up to 23% of their pay this would be really selfish. Just think what will happen! What would happen if all the TAs quit? Half the schools would shut down! The teachers would be really, really stressed on their own. If you cut pay, how could TAs pay their bills? They might not be able to afford things e.g. rent, costs, tax.

Just sit down and think for a minute what you are doing. Think what it will do to other people!

Yours Faithfully,
Newspaper Club,
King Street Primary and Pre- School

Letter by Jamie- Leigh (y6)

Our TAs help us with our work and take us in to different groups to challenge us, they are the first ones we go to when injured, they listen and understand!
- Heath (y6)

Best Dressed at the Halloween Disco

Photos and Captions by Charlie H.



Clockwise from left:

A cute, mystery pumpkin from EYFS;

Enjoying the delicious hot dogs provided by the Friends of the School;

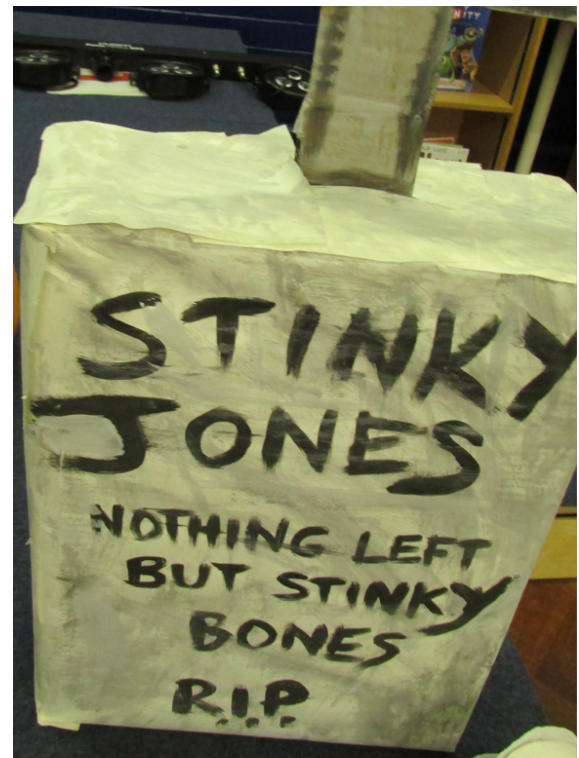
Ollie unzipped;

Ghostly decorations





Skelly- bones Shay,
Lightning- Scar Lennox,
Amazing Anya;
Poppy and Laila; Evie (y4)



Courtney (y3);
RIP Stinky Jones;
Year 6 Halloweeners;
Leon (y4) providing the
entertainment with his
super singing





Frankinstein's Monster!;
Elizabeth (R);
Ava (y2);
Chloe, Georgia, Klia (y3);
Disco Dancing Demons!;
Shay (y1),

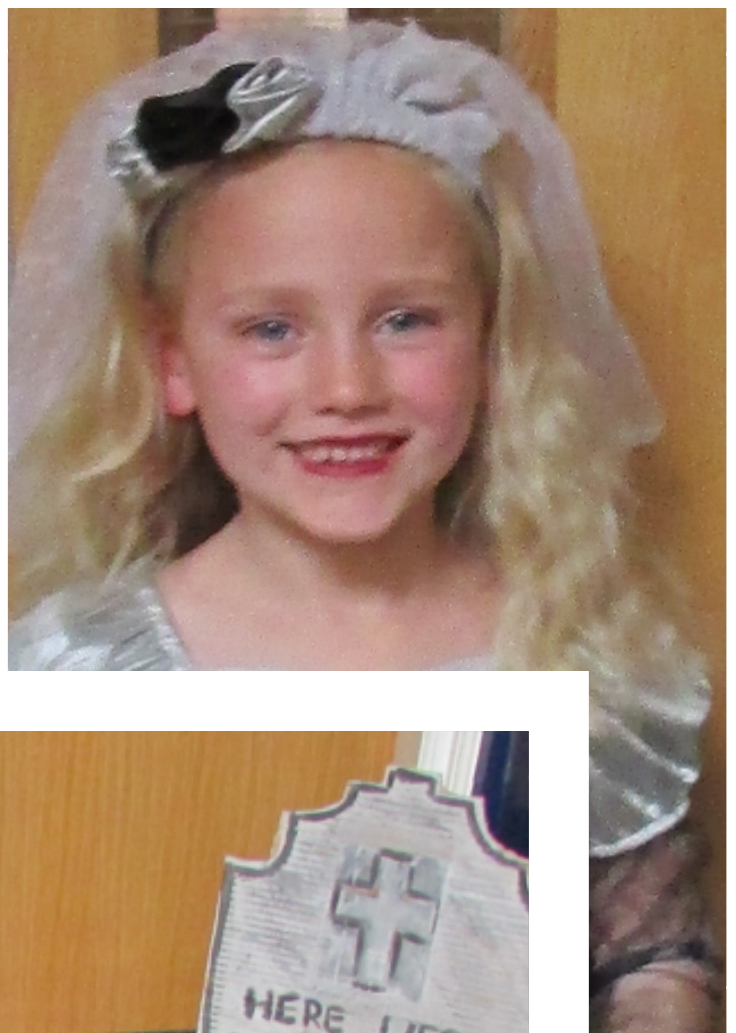
Thank you very much to
the Friends and the
Staff who put on such a
wonderful disco!



My Story

By Evie I. (y2)

When I was at the disco party I got some sweeties for being a good dancer. I got some toys out of a box and I had good fun at the disco party.



Autumn Leaf Competition!

The red and yellow leaf competitions were created by Mr Horn. It was a close competition as a lot of people entered with bright red and yellow leaves. But there were only six winners!

Yellow Leaf Competition Winners

Jacob (y1)
Ria- May (y2)
Scarlett (y4)

Red Leaf Competition Winners

Mia (R)
Dillan (y3)
Grace (y6)

Harvest Festival

Santino R. and Charlie- Ann H.

On Friday 21st October 2016 Father John Livesley from St. Andrew's Church in Spennymoor came into our school, King Street Primary and Pre- School, to talk to us about Harvest Festival. Father John asked us whether we would thank him if he gave us any piece of food. We all said yes to begin with. Then he asked five volunteers to come up and pick a piece of food out of his container (box). The first person to pick food out of the container was Reuben B. and he pulled out a pineapple. Father John said, "If I gave you a pineapple would you say thank you?" Some of us would and some of us wouldn't. **Now he said I see some of you would only say thank you for the food you like.** Now Faye (y1) picked an object from the container; she pulled out a kit- kat. Father John said how many of you would say thank you if I gave you a Kit- Kat and everyone put their hand up to say yes.

Later Father John blessed the food boxes we had prepared for people who might not have enough food to eat and then said the Lord's Prayer. After the prayer Father John said thank you for listening to his assembly.

We were really proud to be able to help the Durham Food Bank and the people in our community.



Fr. John's Challenge:

Let's try to say thank you more often. Even for things we think we do not like! (Like really hard lessons or vegetables or rainy days).

Thank you Soldiers



On Thursday 10th November Pre-School made a poppy wreath from painted handprints and walked to Spennymoor Cenotaph to leave it for everyone to see during the two minutes silence on the 11th November.



ROALD DAHL PARADE

On Friday 14th October, King Street Primary School took part in the Roald Dahl parade! Schools all over Spennymoor took part in the parade and each pupil was dressed wonderfully. Different children from different classes had their photo taken and they were put in the Northern Echo. Our pupils made different coloured Willy Wonka hats that were covered in lots of different sweets. Making these hats made our staff very stressed, that was okay though as it was definitely worth it (the hats were gorgeous) but sadly not all the hats made it, due to the wet weather. We had lots of fun. At the end of the parade when we got back to school, every child got a golden ticket which they were allowed to trade in for a free sweet or two.

In the evening, we had a Roald Dahl market stall in town. Our shop sold many items that our pupils had made. Book marks, glasses, glasses cases and tea light holders were all sold. Our shop window pictures (made by the lovely Miss Tait and painted by Poppy and Hannah) were absolutely stunning! The amazing Mrs Cummings had the great idea to make the glasses cases. They were hand-made by herself and pupils from Year 4, 5 and 6.

We all had a great time!

By Caitlyn R. and Poppy H.



Book Review by Caitlyn R.

Matilda

Characters:

Matilda Miss Honey
Amanda Thripp Michael
Bruce Bogtrotter
Mr & Mrs Wormwood
Miss Trunchbull

How many stars?:

five star

What is fascinating about this book?:

Matilda can read by the time she is 4. She starts to read adults' books when she is 4. Matilda is left alone in the house. Matilda can bake. She starts school when she is 5½.

Picture



By

Caitlyn Rodda
Yr 5

Christmas traditions from around the world

Laila and Megan (y6)

This Christmas why don't you try something new from around the world and try something a little different:



USA



People in America like to decorate the outside of their houses with lights and sometimes even statues of Santa Claus, Snowmen and Reindeer. Some cookies and a glass of milk are often left out as a snack for Santa on Christmas Eve! Some Americans also use popcorn threaded on string to help decorate their Christmas tree! A popular food at Christmas in the Southwest USA is tamales which people usually eat on Christmas Eve.



Spain



Most people in Spain go to Midnight Mass or The Mass of the Rooster as it is also called. It is called this because a rooster is supposed to have crowed the night that Jesus was born.

Most families eat their main Christmas meal on Christmas Eve before Midnight Mass. The traditional Spanish Christmas dinner is 'Pavo Trufado de Navidad' which is turkey stuffed with truffles. In the north- west of Spain the most popular meal on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day is seafood. This can be all kinds of different seafood, from shellfish and molluscs, to lobster and small edible crabs.



Japan



In Japan, Christmas is known as more of a time to spread happiness than a religious celebration. Christmas Eve is often celebrated more than Christmas day. Christmas Eve is thought of as a romantic day, on which couples spend the day together and exchange presents. In many ways it resembles Valentine's Day celebrations in the UK and USA. Young couples like to go for walks to look at the Christmas lights and have a romantic meal in a restaurant- booking a table on Christmas Eve can be very difficult as it is so popular!

Fried Chicken is often eaten on Christmas Day in Japan. It is the busiest time of year for restaurants such as KFC and people can place orders at their local fast food restaurant in advance!



Romania



St Nicholas' Day is celebrated on the 6th December (St. Nicholas is also known as Santa). On the evening of the 5th December children clean their shoes and boots and leave them by the door and hope that St Nicholas will leave them some small presents inside! St Nicholas might also be called Old Man Nicholas and although he is celebrated in December, it's not part of the Christmas celebrations. A tradition says that if it snows on December 6th, St Nicholas has shaken his beard so that winter can begin. Traditional Romanian Christmas foods include roast gammon and pork chops.

If you like what you have read why don't you try some of these wonderful, amazing things?



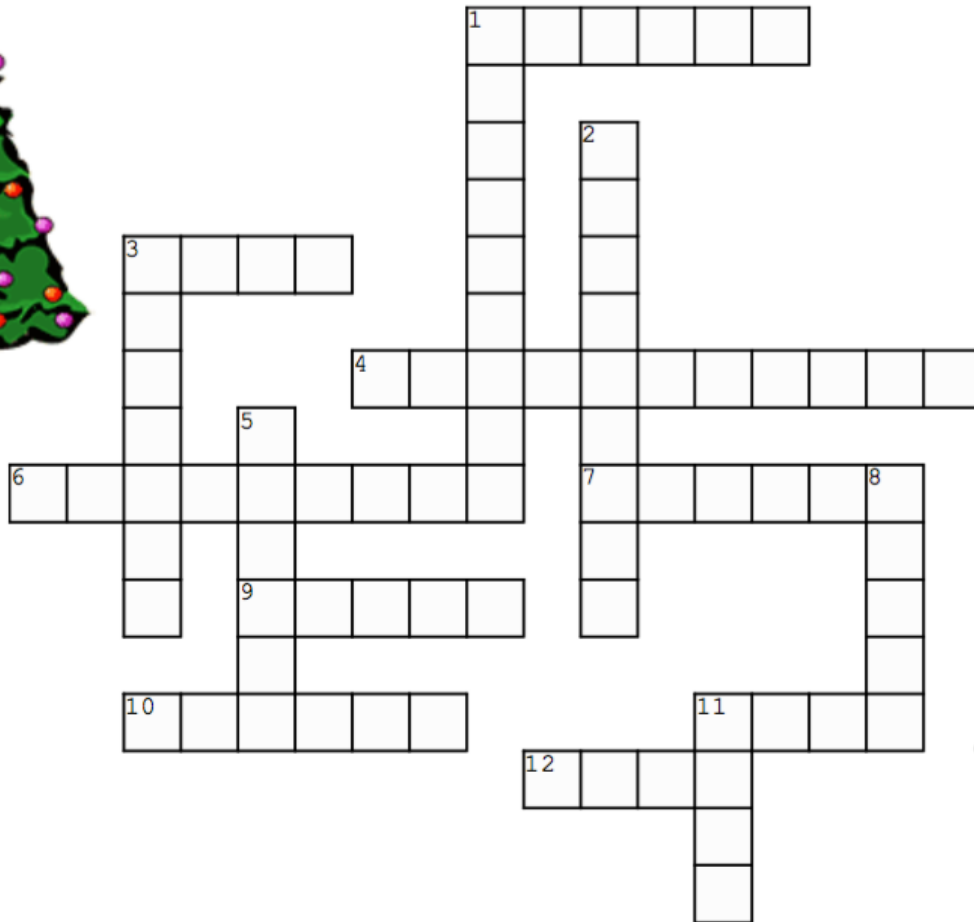
Christmas
Colouring!



Merry
Christmas

Christmas Crossword

Complete the crossword below



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Across

1. Santa's transportation
3. received by naughty children
4. Christmas cookies shaped like houses or men
6. animals which pull Santa's sleigh in Australia, also called 'boomers'
7. a spike of frozen water
9. the _____ and the ivy; also a girl's name
10. often eaten on Christmas Day
11. we might ask Santa for lots of these, they are fun to play with
12. guided the wise men to Bethlehem

Down

1. hung up over the fireplace
2. specimen i (anagram: 5, 4)
3. Santa's preferred way of entering, though he might get stuck
5. Santa's lead reindeer
8. Santa's helpers
11. decorated with tinsel and baubles

Santino's Sillies:

Ha ha!



Knock, Knock.
Who's there?
Old Lady.
Old Lady Who?

I didn't know you could yodel!

Wesołych
Świąt

Feliz
Navidad



Have a Very
Merry Christmas!

God Jul

Love from,

The Newspaper
Team

Fröhliche
Weihnachten

Joyeux
Noel



счастливого
Рождества