



# Mercia News

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## Food Bank Contributions

Pupils have been reading 'A Christmas Carol' in Mastery Time and learning about what it is to be charitable. Christmas can be a tricky time for many and we want to contribute as much as we can to ease the pressures of the festive season. Mastery Groups have been collecting food for the Jubilee Food Bank over the last two weeks. The donations made by pupils and families have been overwhelming and inspiring. The cost of the food donated would be in excess of £300! We really appreciate the help and support of all families, the generosity shown has been absolutely wonderful.



## Mercia Moments Performance Evening

Every single pupil participated in the very first 'Mercia Moments' Showcase Event on 18 December. Performances included dancing, public speaking, poetry recital, singing and orchestral music. We are so proud of all our pupils' hard work and dedication — it was a huge success! Thank you to all the families and friends who attended.

## Sheffield Star

On 19 December, Mercia School was showcased in the Sheffield Star. The Star journalist, Sam Jackson, spent a few hours in school with pupils, staff and parents. The story was overwhelmingly positive and we thank all who contributed.

## Mercia Sport Success

Mercia's netball team triumphed against Newfield with an amazing 13–2 victory. The match was played in a terrific spirit and we wish Newfield well for the remainder of the season. The girl's football team has also enjoyed success at recent tournaments and we are excited to see what they can achieve in their remaining fixtures.

We had the most pupils at a cross country meet so far last week. In fact, Mercia School brought more pupils than any other to Castle Dyke. The girls team finished 2nd overall! Well done to all who competed, especially in the freezing temperatures!

## House Points

<b>Fawcett</b>	<b>2268</b>
<b>Churchill</b>	<b>2207</b>
<b>Hawking</b>	<b>2205</b>
<b>Shakespeare</b>	<b>2126</b>

## University Challenge

This term saw the first edition of our inter-house University Challenge Competition with Mr Fisher as our very own Jeremy Paxman! Shakespeare came out victorious after a nail biting tie break. Well done to all pupils involved! We will hold another round at Easter.

## STEM Electives

The theme for next term's electives is STEM— Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. Pupils will have the opportunity to participate in food technology, design, science club and much more!