# BFS News Bright Futures School Conforchildren with autism 22<sup>nd</sup> Edition December 2017

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### It's a Boy!

Huge congratulations to Alex Ludlam and family on the birth of baby George! After keeping everyone waiting, George arrived on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2017 and he is an absolute little belter! Well done Alex!





Here he is as well with his very proud big brother Benjamin!



School will close for the Christmas break at 3pm on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017 and will re-open to pupils on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

We wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

**Happy Holidays Everyone!** 

### **Visit to Hadfield Wood Recyclers**

Pupils were fortunate to visit Hadfield Wood Recyclers to see, first-hand, how wood can be reused and processed into different products. The visit was part of Matthew's, Max, Marley and Harry's ASDAN topic on 'The Environment' and Recycling. We were all made to feel very welcome and we were very impressed by what we saw, a brilliant example of recycling! Our pupils had an amazing time and found the experience very enjoyable, interesting and informative. Thank you very much to everyone at Hadfield Wood Recyclers for giving us this opportunity.



## **Co-op Bag Packing**

Pupils and staff helped out again at Co-op Lees last month, packing bags for shoppers as part of the Co-op Community Funding initiative. They held a raffle at the store too.



# Friends of Bright Futures School (FBFS) -

was chosen by three Saddleworth Co-ops to receive local community funding in its latest initiative — and we were presented with a cheque at Co-op Lees, for £4,406! This amazing amount of money will go towards our new IT Suite for pupils. Thank you very much indeed to everyone who has donated.



We have also now been chosen for the next round of funding in this brilliant initiative. Thank you to all our friends at the Co-op!







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### **Healthy Eating**

Pupils, Sahil and Jayden below, were fascinated by the amount of fat, sugar and salt found in food! As part of our Healthy Eating sessions we were able to see - using our test tube examples - the content of fat, sugar and salt in various food we eat every day, such as cookies, cereal and butter.





### **Christmas Open Afternoon 2017**

We're really looking forward to our Christmas Open Afternoon this coming Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December from 12.30pm till 2.30pm. We can't wait to welcome the Mayor and Mayoress of Oldham to Bright Futures and show them around our brilliant school. We look forward to welcoming all our friends and supporters too — so please come along for some mulled wine and mince pies! There will also be carols, a raffle and a number of different stalls, so you'll be sure to pick up a few nice stocking fillers! See you Friday!



### **Recycled Plant Pots**

A story by pupil, Ben: The children recycled and reused empty plastic milk bottles to use them as planters for decoration in the garden. They were recently hung up outside the front door of the school and make a lovely addition to the decor!



## **Animal Therapy**

A wet and dismal day was brightened up when we had a visit to Pastures New Equine Therapy and Petting Farm. The charity farm host many different animals including rescued ex-race horses, goats, chickens, Shetland ponies, sheep, rabbits and a pot-bellied pig. Sahil, Jayden, Lucy and Saoirse were able to pat and stroke the animals and even tickle the pig's belly! Jayden and Sahil had a lovely time grooming the ponies whilst Saoirse and Lucy took great delight in feeding the chickens. We all had great fun at the farm with lovely animals. Big smiles all round!





### Save the Date!

We like to plan ahead here at BFS and we've got a fantastic FBFS Comedy Night booked in our diaries for 2018! Again, our fundraising event will be at The Royal George in Greenfield, on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2018, and it promises to be a brilliant night! Please pop the date in your diaries. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **Christmas Cakes**

In a recent cooking session with Ros, the boys made some 'Chocolicious' Christmas cakes. Harry made a delicious Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate butter icing...



While Jayden created an amazing 'Footprints in the Snow' cake!



And Max made a yummy chocolate sponge!



We wish you a Very Merry Christmas! Have a lovely break!