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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM - PART 2

OUR VALUE THIS TERM IS: COMPASSION

DATE: 6TH DECEMBER 2024

A NOTE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Families,

The Christmas season has started at Send! Thank you to our wonderful Y6s and staff for decorating the school - it looks very festive. It was lovely to see lots of families at the PTFA Christmas Evening. Thank you to all who offered their time to help organise, run and clean up after. It was a lovely evening and the money raised will really support our school. Thank you also to Mrs Long, Mr Godwin, Mrs Banks and the School Choir who performed for us and then dashed off to join the community carols at the Clock Barn tree lighting evening.

This week we welcomed both Rev. Louise and the Engage theatre company, to lead whole school worship on the theme of Advent. The children showed off their brilliant listening skills and joined in by sharing their ideas.

This week we also enjoyed listening to all our rockers whose bands performed at the 'Rocksteady' concert and hearing about the fantastic time that Y2 had on their visit to Hampton Court. Well done to all the children for their brilliant effort and behaviour

I am so sorry to have to say that there was an administrative error in the process of the Parent Governor Election. The letter that was sent to parents had an error, where the closing date of the ballot was given as 29th November which was incorrect. This meant that not all parents that wished to take part in the election were able to, making the election process null and void. I can only apologise for this genuine mistake. We will re-run the Parent Governor Election process in January so that any and all parents that wish to vote are able to and will send more detailed information in the new year.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Marianne McDonnell

Headteacher

COMING UP NEXT WEEK:

Monday 9th December - Whole School Pantomime (YR-6) performance of Cinderella

Tuesday 10th December - Social Coffee Morning for parents of Y3&4 children 8.45 9.30am

Tuesday 10th December - EYFS Nativity performance for families with babies @1.15pm

Wednesday 11th December - EYFS Nativity performance for parents only @ 9 am

Wednesday 11th December - Y1&2 Nativity performance for families with babies @1.15pm

Thursday 12th December - Y1 & 2 Nativity performance for parents only @ 9 am

Thursday 12th December - Year 5 VR space workshop

Friday 13th December - Y1 & 2 Nativity performance for parents only @ 9 am

Friday 13th December - Y3 Carol Concert at 2.15pm

Friday 13th December - Christmas Jumper Swap Shop in the school hall at 3.15pm

THIS WEEK'S AWARDS:

Star of the Week:

(Awarded for effort and work in class)

Acorn- Lucas

R Chestnut- Eliana & Grace

R Conker- Sebastian & Bethany

Y1 Willow - Charlie D & Emma

Yr 1 Elder - Oscar & Ralpie

Y2 Birch- Jacob M & Dominic

Y2 Cherry- Isobel & Hunter

Y3 Fir - Josh & Shayma

Y3 Elm – Antosh & Enora

Y4 Cedar- Charlie & Ruby

Y4-Maple- Lilly & Eda

Y5 Beech - Bonnie-Lou & Matilda

Y5 Pine - Marianna & Aiden

Y6 Oak – Fearne & Alex

Y6 Sycamore- Luca & Grace

Values Champion:

Compassion

R Chestnut - Casey

R Conker- William

Y1 Willow - Jamie

Yr 1 Elder - Erin

Y2 Birch- George

Y2 Cherry - Cody

Y3 Fir - Isabella

Y3 Elm – Ethan

Y4 Cedar - Elsie

Y4-Maple - Abi

Y5 Beech - Mia

Y5 Pine - Noah Mc

Y6 Oak – Jakub

Y6 Sycamore - Eva

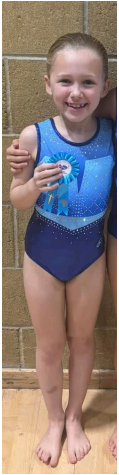
Attendance Award

Beech Class (Y5) with 100%

SEND'S GOT TALENT

Congratulations to:

- **Teddy (Y6)** who achieved a Merit in his grade 1 piano exam
- **Addie (Y3)** who completed her Stage 5 Swimming Certificate and has now graduated to Level 6 Squad training.
- **Bertie (Y5)** who was awarded man of the match along with a friend after his football game last weekend.
- **Megan and Olivia (Y5)** who have had a busy week performing. They supported classical singer Nadia Eide on her Winter Lights tour in Guildford and performed Jingle Jangle at the Indigo theatre O2 London!
- **Amelie (Y6)** whose street dance troupe came first in a recent competition
- **Isabella (Y3)** who shared her gymnastic rosette from a recent competition



JOIN OUR TEAM

We are increasing our Learning Support Team and have a vacancy starting in January 2025.

For more information or to apply, click here:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1454333>



CHRISTMAS LUNCH DAY

The school Christmas Lunch will be held in the hall on Wednesday 18th December. The deadline to order the hot meal (for children in YR-6) is **3pm on Friday 29th November**. If your child is in Nursery or has not ordered a hot meal, please provide them with a packed lunch. Whatever their lunch choice we will all eat together with crackers and table settings provided by the PTFA.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY & SWAP SHOP

On **Wednesday 18th December**, we are inviting children to come to school in Christmassy / Party clothes in support of the Save The Children Christmas Appeal. Save The Children use the money raised to support children in the UK and around the world.



Your child may have a Christmas jumper that they would like to wear, or just other sparkly, festive, party type clothes. We are asking families to consider donating £1 per child - but any amount is welcome. Donations should be made online through Arbor please.

If you have any Christmas jumpers/ tops at home that your children have outgrown, please drop them off at school when you come for the Nativity performances or Carol services. We will have a **'Swap Shop' in the hall after school on Friday 13th** when anyone is welcome to come and choose a new top.

PTFA SECRET SANTA SHOP

On the 16th & 17th December the PTFA Elves will open the Secret Santa Shop where children can come and choose a present for a loved one. The elves will wrap it for the children so it is ready to take home and put under the tree.

- Children in Y3-6 will visit the shop on **Monday 16th December**
- Children in YN- Y2 will visit the shop on **Tuesday 17th December**

More information including prices will be sent nearer the time.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

December		
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Monday 16th December	PTFA Secret Santa Shopping Event for children (Y3-6)	
Tuesday 17th December	PTFA Secret Santa Shopping Event for children (YN-2)	
Tuesday 17th December	Woking Schools Online Painting Party in classes (Y2-6) @ 9am	
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children	
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Party Picnic (Nursery) & Christmas Dinner Day (YR- 6)	
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Class Parties (pm)	
Thursday 19th December	'Thank you' Celebration Assembly for volunteers at 10am	NEW
Friday 20th December	School ends for Christmas Holidays @1.15pm	
January 2025		
Monday 6th January	INSET Day - School Closed for children	
Tuesday 7th January	Children return to school	

Tuesday 14th January	Social Coffee Morning for parents of Y5&6 children 8.45 9.30am	
Wednesday 15th January	Deadline for applications for Reception 2025 places	
Thursday 16th January	Y5&6 Dodgeball Tournament at Mellow Junior School @ 1pm	NEW
Tuesday 28th January	Beech Class visiting Christ's College to watch performance of "The Lightning Thief"	NEW
Thursday 30th January	Pine Class visiting Christ's College to watch performance of "The Lightning Thief"	NEW
Thursday 30th January	Y3& 4 Dodgeball Tournament at Mellow Junior School @ 1pm	NEW
February 2025		
Wednesday 5th February	Y5 & KS2 Choir to Young Voices concert at 02	NEW
Friday 6th February	'Little World' Workshops for EYFS	NEW
Tuesday 25th February	Online Safety Briefing for Parents with Surrey Police's Cyber Protection Officer @9am-10am in the school hall - Everyone welcome	NEW