



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 8th December 2023

Message from the Headteacher

What a busy week! Two Key Stage 2 Carol Concerts at Church, two performances of the Key Stage 1 Nativity and a trip to the cinema for Classes R, 1 & 2. Well done to the children and staff for their preparation of these events and thank you to so many friends and families of the children who joined us for these important Christmas celebrations.

Christingle Service

Next week the children will all be making Christingles at school in preparation for our Christingle Service which we will be holding on the last day of the term. Each element of a Christingle has a special meaning. The orange represents the world, the red tape represents the love and blood of Christ, the dried fruit represent all of God's creations and the lit candle represents Jesus's light in the world, bringing hope to people living in darkness.



Last Week of Term

There is still lots happening in the last week of term.

On Monday, it's our **Reception Class Christmas Stay and Play session** where we welcome the parents and carers of children in Class R to join us from 1:40pm until 3:10pm to work with their children completing Christmas crafts and activities in the classroom.

Tuesday is the **KS2 Pantomime trip**. Please see separate letter for details.

Christmas Lunch is on Wednesday for those who have pre-ordered. **Christmas jumpers** can be worn on this day too.

Party Day is on Thursday – school uniform to be worn as usual and children to bring a plate or box of party tea to enjoy. Classes will spend time in the hall playing traditional party games

School finishes on **Friday 15th December at 2pm** for the term and we look forward to welcoming all children back to school on **Tuesday 2nd January 2024**.

Reception Class 2024

Do you have a child born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020? If so they will be eligible to start school in September 2024. We invite families to book an appointment to come and have a look around our school at a time to suit.

Please spread the word to anyone you know with a child of the right age.

Have a lovely weekend!

Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher

Wear A Christmas Jumper

Just for the fun of it we would like the whole school to dress up in a Christmas jumper on **Wednesday, 13th December**. The brighter the better! Please wear usual clothing on the lower half – school trousers/skirts. Don't buy a jumper especially for this event just wear something bright and add a little tinsel!



Class Party Day

We would be most grateful if you could send a plate of party food in for **your child only** on a paper/plastic plate or in a plastic lidded box for your child to enjoy on Party Day next Thursday, 14th December. School Uniform to be worn as usual.





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Message from Class 1

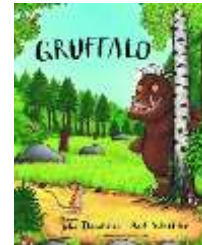
This week has been extremely busy for Year One, as we have been performing our Nativity to the nursery children, the rest of the school and to our parents! Over the last few weeks, we have enjoyed learning the songs and this week it was great to finally get our costumes on and perform to an audience. We hope that if you came along to one of the performances, you could see how hard the children and staff have been working.

In the last few weeks, we have been practicing addition and subtraction in Maths. We have been using the part whole model to help us so that we can see how the two operations are linked together. We have been using this to help us find fact families.

In English, we have been reading and learning the story 'The Gruffalo'. We have been practicing a Gruffalo song too. Please do ask your child to 'perform' The Gruffalo song at home for you: [Gruffalo song - YouTube](#). The children made up actions to re-tell the story and have impressed us with their story knowledge and simple sentence writing.

Super learning again this term Year One – very well done.

Mrs Hoile & Miss Moloney



Star Awards



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Class R – Joseph

Class 1 – Oliver

Class 2 – All of Class 2

Class 3 – Lexi

Class 4 – Millie

Class 5 – Alice, Lydia, Seth, William
Noah, Violet & Myla

Class 6 – Henry, Ruby, Darshhi,
Freya & Zander

Whole School Attendance

04/12/23 - 08/12/23

95.3%

05/09/23 - date

95.8%

Reception Class 2024

Applications are now open for Reception Class September 2024. If you have a child born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 you can apply online for a place through the Kent County Council website:-

www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/primary-school-places

Applications close on **15th January 2024**.

Lunch Menu: Christmas Week Menu

w/c Monday, 11th December 2023

£2.41 per day

[3-Christmas-Week-Menu-Wednesday-13th-2023.pdf](#)
(wholeschoolmeals.co.uk)

To pay for your meals online, please go to:

<https://www.parentpayshop.co.uk/schools/wsm>



School will finish

at **2pm**

**on Friday, 15th December
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The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 11th December 2023

CLUBS HAVE FINISHED FOR THIS TERM

Monday, 11th December

- 1:40pm Reception Class Stay and Play Session

Tuesday, 12th December

- KS2 Pantomime trip – see separate letter for details
- Deadline to return Before & After School Childcare booking forms for term 3.

Wednesday, 13th December

- Christmas Jumper Day – children may wear a Christmas jumper to school
- Christmas Dinner Day
- Deadline to respond to Class 6 Swimming form

Thursday, 14th December

- Party Day - please send a plate of party food in for your child only on a paper/plastic plate or in a plastic lidded box.

Friday, 15th December

- School finishes at 2pm

