

Dear parents/carers,

The song that keeps popping into my head at the moment starts with 'It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas....' Thank you so much to Mrs McCubbin and the PTA for organising such a wonderful Christmas tree and thank you to Mr and Mrs Rapley for adding some wonderful sparkly decorations. All around the school there are reminders of Christmas and we are so excited for the Nativity performances next week! The children are in excellent voice! On Wednesday I accompanied Cherry Class to The Glebe Centre, which was a fantastic opportunity to bring some Christmas cheer to some of the older generation in our community.

The church is hosting their Christingle Service on this Friday 1 December at 4pm. The pupils have already partially prepared a Christingle and those that are able to attend will be able to complete their Christingle orange.

The PTA Christmas Fair is almost upon us and a huge thanks to those who are busy preparing for the event, including our amazing 'wreath team' and a group of dads who prepared wood for the reindeer workshop. Please don't forget Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday 7 December (a colourful Christmassy jumper can be worn with the school uniform), which also coincides with our delicious Christmas lunch.

Finally, I want to highlight some new government regulations for online safety, which were approved last month (a quick guide is attached to the parent email). Keeping our children safe online is a high priority for us and we appreciate all your support with this. We are still sometimes observing pupils playing shooting or other aggressive games and in several cases they have explained that they are recreating an online game. We have spoken to the children individually and collectively about this, as we continue to promote our school value of respect.

Have a lovely weekend and keep safe,

Mr. Walters



Autumn Term 2023

December

Fri 1st	PTA Tuck Shop
Tues 5 th	Apple class Nativity @10am
Tues 5 th	Full Governing Body Meeting
Wed 6 th	last French Club
Thurs 7 th	Forest School for Apple class
Thurs 7 th	Holly & Cherry Nativity @9.30am
Thurs 7 th	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas lunch
Fri 8 th	Holly & Cherry Nativity @9.30am
Sat 9 th	PTA Christmas Fair
Sat 9 th	Christmas Party with Fabulous Nobodies at Ewhurst Village Hall
Wed 13 th	Year 2 Carol Singing at the Old Rectory
Wed 13 th	Rotary Carol Concert
Thurs 14 th	PTA Christmas Party lunch & Christmas Party (Mufti party clothes)
Thurs 14 th	PTA Secret Santa
Fri 15 th	End of term Service @9.15am
Fri 15 th	School finishes @1.30pm

Spring Term 2024

January

Tues 2 nd	INSET DAY
Wed 3 rd	All children return to school
Wed 3 rd	Pied Piper Performance
Thurs 11 th	Apple Class Forest Schools
Mon 15 th	Science Wizards
Thurs 18 th	Wonder Dome
Wed 24 th	Full Governing Body Meeting
Thurs 25 th	Holly & Cherry Forest Schools

February

Thurs 1 st	Apple class Forest Schools
Thurs 8 th	Holly & Cherry Forest Schools
Fri 9 th	School finishes at 3pm
12 th – 16 th	Half-Term
Thurs 22 nd	Apple Class Forest Schools
Tues 27 th	Parents Consultation

Children in Need

Thank you so much for all your donations in return for your children coming to school in home clothes. We were able to donate £97. That's fantastic!

Awards – 1/12/2023

Well done!


Star of the Week Award

Apple	Archie
Holly	Teddy
Cherry	Daphne

Headteacher's Award

Apple	Roo
Holly	Will
Cherry	Jacob

Attendance Award
The class with the highest attendance this week is:

Cherry Class 
Congratulations!!

Christmas Performances

Apple Class performance of 'The Nativity' Tuesday
5th December at 10.00 a.m.

Holly & Cherry Class performance of 'A Miracle in Town' **7th & 8th December at 9.30 a.m.**

Don't forget to **bring cash** for the retiring collection with you when coming to see the performances. The cause will be on the programme. Thank you

Christmas Post Box

Children are able to exchange Christmas cards by using the Post Box situated in the Library from
Monday 4th December

Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

Thursday 7th December

The school council have agreed to invite all children to attend school in home clothes including a Christmas jumper in return for a **donation of £2.00 to Save the Children.**

Please follow this link for your donation
<https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/CJD230002142>

Raffle tickets - Please return all bought tickets and unsold tickets to the office including any cash by Friday 8th December. Tickets can also be paid by bank transfer to the Ewhurst School PTA account:
AccNo:50321968, Sort Code 821107 reference **Raffle**

