

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas...

The children are enjoying **practicing their songs** for their **nativities** and it is so lovely to hear their voices echoing down the corridor.

We had SO MANY nominations to **Hans Christmas Anderson** that we have won the Christmas Tree! What a great end to the week, **thank you everyone!**

Learning to read is one of the most important things at this early stage of your **children's education**. Children who can read can better access learning in all subjects as they move through school. **Phonics is an important part** of learning to read and enables the reader to decode the word they are reading. Having a **consistent phonics programme** throughout the school is so important to ensure that our children have the best opportunity at being successful in their reading. To gain this consistency, as a school we are moving to a phonics scheme called **Essential Letters and Sounds** which will be used in all 3 classes. It is a really great **systematic synthetic phonics programme** with clear progression.

As you will be aware Covid cases are on the rise in Surrey. I would like to ask you all to continue to watch out for symptoms and notify the office if **your child or a household member** is having a PCR test.

Mrs McConnell

Who's who?

**Mrs
Katja Correia
Secretary**



I moved from Germany to this beautiful part of the world almost 6 years ago but it wasn't until I became part of this lovely school two years ago that I finally felt at home. In particular I enjoy the balance of organisational duties, the contact and support to children, parents and staff. I have two children, 26 and 28, living in Germany who enjoy coming to visit us. During my free time I am often out walking Freddie, our 2.5 year old Irish Doodle. He has been a piece of work, much worse than teenagers... but fantastic now! The perseverance is paying off. I also enjoy gardening, cooking and baking, especially bread.

**'A child who reads
will be an adult
who thinks'**



Autumn Term 2021**November**

Mon 29th Open Full Governing Body Meeting
 Tues 30th Apple class dress rehearsal Nativity with visitors from Rainbows

December

Weds 1st NO PE in Apple class
 Weds 1st Apple class Nativity @10am
 Wed 1st Cherry Class Carol Singing at the Glebe
 Thurs 2nd Apple class Nativity @10am
 Thurs 2nd Year 1 Forest Schools
 Fri 3rd Apple class NO Forest Schools
 Fri 3rd Tree planting @3pm – village car park
 Sun 5th Messy Church 4pm Walliswood Village Hall
 Mon 6th Holly and Cherry class dress rehearsal with visitors from The Glebe
 Mon 6th Drop ins Holly and Cherry class
 Tuesday 7th Holly and Cherry class Nativity at 10am
 Wed 8th Holly and Cherry class Nativity at 10am
 Wed 8th Last French
 Fri 10th Apple class NO Forest Schools
 Fri 10th Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch
 Fri 10th PTA Secret Santa
 Fri 10th Drop ins for Apple class
 Fri 10th PTA Movie night for Holly and Cherry class – information on What's app
 Mon 13th Cherry Class Carol singing at The Old Rectory@11.15am
 Thurs 16th PTA Christmas lunch
 Fri 17th Apple class NO Forest Schools
 Fri 17th End of term, pick up @1.30 + Tuck shop

Spring Term 2022**January**

Tues 4th INSET Day
 Weds 5th Children back in school
 Tues 11th Open Tour for prospective parents

The library is open for parents to help children change books before and after school. We would respectfully ask parents not be tempted to wander down to classrooms as staff are busy. Please ensure you list the books on your child's sheet in the class folders.

Festive market – a huge thank you
 What an amazing effort: The festive market raised a total of approx. £2000.

Close gate after drop off

The office staff are not always able to stay in the playground until everybody has left. Please could parents close the gate. Thank you

Children in need

A massive thank you for all your generous donations. The school was able to raise £272 which is £122 more than we expected! Amazing!

The PTA will be hosting coffee and mince pies in the Wilson room before each of the Nativity performances. Parents are invited to head straight over from drop off to enjoy a festive treat before watching their child's Nativity.

Awards – 19/11/2021 Handwriting**Star of the Week**

Apple	Holly	Cherry
Ted	Arthur	Rafael

Headteacher's Award

Apple	Holly	Cherry
Alfred	Benjamin	Imogen
Leo	Eric	Florence
Corrine	Arabella	Lilian

Christmas around the world

Thank you to everyone who sent in their different traditions. If you still wish to send your Christmas around the world please do this by Monday 29th November

Nativity

If you haven't yet **signed up** for the Nativity please do so as soon as possible.

Lists are in the library.

The **Retiring collection** this year will be used to purchase new books for each class, don't forget to **bring cash** with you when coming to see the performances. Thank you.

Open Full Governing Body Meeting 29.11.21

If you wish to take part please inform the office

