

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you all had a good half term! The pupils returned on Tuesday full of beans and ready to get stuck into their learning. This half-term is always my favourite at school – a magical time in the run-up to Christmas, with so much to look forward to! Our school diary is packed with events up to Christmas, so please be popping the dates into your diaries! Coming up on Friday 18 November is our Mufti Day to raise money for Children in Need. We will send out more details on this in due course. Then on Wednesday 23 November we have a theatre production here in school of the Pied Piper. We are looking forward to having some professional actors here in the school! The Christmas events include Nativity performances as well as our PTA Christmas Fair on Saturday 10 December. We can't wait!

We continue to work hard as a staff team on developing our curriculum and delivering excellent lessons in every class. During our INSET staff training day last Monday we did some more training on using assessment well, so we can track and monitor pupil progress even better. We were then able to give accurate feedback during this week's Parents Evening. Thank you to all who attended! Another one of our school's priorities is phonics and early reading. As you know, we have adopted a scheme called 'Essential Letters and Sounds'. We are delighted that the author of ELS, Tara Dodson, will be visiting the school next Tuesday 8 November to support and train staff in outstanding delivery of phonics lessons. We are really looking forward to seeing her – she will spend all day with us, which is excellent.

Thank you for all your ongoing support for the school. We are currently hosting Open Mornings every Friday morning in November and December. You may have seen the banners and posters! Do please help us spread the word. We have already had lots of bookings, which is a positive sign!

Please stay warm and healthy in this colder, autumnal weather!

Best wishes,

Mr. Walters



Photo from Year 1's visit to see Strange Creatures following an invitation from Cranleigh Prep School.

November

Thurs 10 th	Holly Class Forest Schools
Fri 11 th	Open Morning tour for prospective parents @ 9.30am
Thurs 17 th	Cherry Class Forest Schools
Fri 18 th	Open Morning tour for prospective parents @ 9.30am
Fri 18 th	Children in Need Mufti Day
Wed 23 rd	Pied Piper Theatre Performance
Wed 23 rd	Full Governing Body Meeting
Thurs 24 th	Holly Class Forest Schools
Thurs 24 th	Cherry Class Advent Workshop
Fri 25 th	Open Morning tour for prospective parents @ 9.30am
Fri 25 th	Drop-ins for all classes @ 3.00pm
Fri 25 th	PTA Tuck Shop
Wed 30 th	Apple class Nativity @ 10am
Wed 30 th	Cherry Class carol singing The Old Rectory

December

Fri 2 nd	Open morning tour for prospective parent @ 9.30 am
Mon 5 th	Holly & Cherry Nativity @ 2pm
Tues 6 th	Holly & Cherry Nativity @ 10am
Thurs 8 th	Christmas Jumper Mufti Day
Thurs 8 th	Christmas Lunch
Fri 9 th	Open morning tour for prospective parents @ 9.30am
Sat 10 th	PTA Christmas Fair
Wed 14 th	Cherry Class Carol Singing The Glebe
Thurs 15 th	PTA Christmas Party
Fri 16 th	End of term, finish @ 1.30pm

Spring Term 2023**January**

Tues 3 rd	INSET DAY
Wed 4 th	All children return to school
Fri 6 th	PTA Tuck Shop

Reception and Year 3 Applications 2023

Do you have a child starting school in September 2023 or a child in Year 2 of an Infant School? The easiest and quickest way to apply is online by visiting surrey.gov.uk/admissions.

Deadline is 15th January 2023

Awards – 4/11/2022 – Well done!**Star of the Week**

Apple	Mattie
Holly	Dagny
Cherry	Jasper

Headteacher's Award

Apple	Evie
Holly	Jacob
Cherry	Flora

Messy Sunday is this Sunday 6th November at 4 pm

Walliswood Village Hall

Craft, Music, Stories – Family food & fun

Children in Need – Mufti Day – 18th November

We would love it if every child could donate £2.00 in return for wearing their own home clothes to school on the 18th November. To donate please follow the link below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/ewhurst-infant-school-1667299854462>

