

Dear parents and carers,

The end of the Autumn Term is finally upon us and the magical Christmas season is in full flow, made all the more special by the blanket of frost throughout the Surrey Hills. Last Saturday the PTA did an outstanding job putting on a fantastic Christmas Fair. I would like to say a huge thank you to those who made it happen and to those who gave so generously. We have raised a lot of money for our school and this will go a long way to supporting school improvements. On Wednesday Cherry Class made us proud by singing with gusto for adults at The Glebe. Today we rounded off the Term with a wonderful Christmas service at the church.

As we now look forward to the high point of the Christmas season, Christmas Day itself, we wish everyone good health and a super time with family and friends. Do please keep yourselves safe. The tragic news of the lake incident in Solihull has reminded us all of the need to be extra careful in the ice and snow. Surrey Fire and Rescue Service have sent me a message asking me to remind everyone to keep off ice formed over bodies of water and stay a safe distance away from the edge of rivers and ponds. Whenever possible, it is best to stick to well-lit journey routes, use a torch at night to help you keep on the path, wear warm clothing and stay away from water.

The Christmas holidays will be a time of recharging and refreshment for us all, and also one of reflection. If you have not already done so, please take a moment to complete the short parent survey which I sent out last week. The link is here and it should take just two minutes to complete: <https://forms.office.com/r/zrqSm2DxFE>

I will be presenting the findings of the survey to Governors in the New Year. The Governing Board has done a superb job this term and I know they are still looking for another person to join them – so do let the school office know if you want to take on this rewarding and worthwhile role. Another role we are looking to cover at the school is the position of Midday Supervisor (working daily at the school from 12-1pm. We will put up more details and application forms on the website today. Again, please let the office know if you are interested.

Finally, on behalf of all the staff I would like to say a big thank you for all your support during this term. I would like particularly thank the parent reading volunteers and our amazing lollipop team. Thank you for all the generous gifts you have given us this Christmas – we feel truly blessed to be part of such a lovely school community.

We wish you all a very happy Christmas and very best wishes for the New Year!

Jonathan Walters

Spring Term 2023**January**

Tues 3 rd	INSET DAY
Wed 4 th	All children return to school
Thurs 5 th	Cherry Class at Sayers Croft
Fri 6 th	PTA Tuck Shop
Mon 9 th	Surrey Fire & Rescue in Year 2
Thurs 11 th	Holly Class Forest Schools
Thurs 19 th	Cherry Class at Sayers Croft
Wed 25 th	Cherry Class Assembly
Fri 27 th	Drop ins all classes

February

Thurs 2 nd	Holly Class Forest Schools
Week 6 th – 17 th	Well being week
Mon 6 th	Parent workshop Online Safety @2pm
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Tues 8 th	Holly Class Assembly
13 th to 17 th	HALF – TERM
Wed 22 nd	Start of Lent “40 Days of Kindness”
Wed 22 nd	Full Governing Body Meeting
Thurs 23 rd	Holly Class Forest Schools
Fri 24 th	Drop ins all classes
Mon 27 th	Cherry class History Walk

March

Wed 1 st	Parents Consultations
Thurs 2 nd	World Book Day
Thurs 9 th	Cherry Class at Sayers Croft
Thurs 16 th	Holly Class Forest Schools
Fri 17 th	Family Celebration and Tea for Mothers day
Thurs 23 rd	Cherry Class at Sayers Croft
Fri 24 th	Drops ins all classes
Tues 28 th	Easter Pause Morning
Fri 1 st	End of Term Service @9.15
Fri 1 st	School finishes at 1.30pm

April

Mon 17 th	All children return to school
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Christmas Fair

Thank you to **the PTA** for all the effort you went to to create an amazing fair for everyone, it really was wonderful! The amount raised on the day is a massive £2,145.23 There will be more to account for from sponsorship and pre-sale raffle tickets and an expected contribution from down in the village.

End of Term Awards 16/12/2022**Well done!**

Apple	Genevieve and Austin
Holly	Joss and Ralph
Cherry	Flora and Felix
<u>Guardian Angel</u>	
Apple	Wilf
Holly	Corinne
Cherry	Siena

Reception and Year 3 applications

The deadline for your application is Sunday 15th January 2023. Please apply via the Surrey Admissions portal. Thank you.

Job Vacancy

We are looking to appoint a Midday Supervisor to join our hardworking and friendly team to ensure orderly conduct and positive active play experiences at lunchtimes. This is a temporary post starting immediately until 21st July 2023. Hours of work will be 12.00 to 1.00 pm Monday to Friday (term time only)

Ewhurst CE Infant School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Please contact the school office for further details and an application form

3rd January 2023 INSET DAY
All children return to school on
Wednesday 4th January 2023

Last Open morning
Friday 6th January

Should you know anyone that would like to have a look at our school, please spread the word, the last open morning tour will start at 9.30 am on Friday 6th January 2023

What a surprise, Father Christmas in school!!