



Friday 15th December 2023

Dear parents and carers,

There has been a buzz about the school this week as preparations for our Christmas performances and festivities are well underway. Rehearsals are going well and the children are in fine voice. I hope you're looking forward to coming along to one or more of their Christmas performances next week. Details of performances can be found later in this newsletter.

We have had an amazing response to our Christmas Shoebox Appeal in aid of a local Refuge centre, with approximately 70 boxes donated. Thank you for your generosity. There are many families whose Christmas Day will now be a little brighter thanks to your thoughtful contributions.

The children have completed their assessments this week. Well done to all of them for their hard work and perseverance. The teachers are currently marking the assessments and the results will be used to inform learning in the new term. For children in Years 2 – 6, your child will bring home the assessments they have completed at the end of the first week back after the holidays, so you can see how they are getting on.

The children in Year 3 enjoyed an extra-special 'Stone Age Day' this week, with Miss Lawrence and Mr King. They had some hands-on practical learning experiences, looking at artefacts similar to those used in Stone Age times and created some lovely art work. Thank you to Mr King who organised the day.

You may have noticed that our playground has been adversely affected by the rain once again, with large puddles rendering parts of the playground temporarily out-of-action. Contractors are booked to visit on our INSET day in January to carry out work to improve the drainage, which should hopefully alleviate the puddle problem.

Well done to Red House for earning the most rewards this term. As a reward, it will be a mufti day on Tuesday 19th December, for all the children in Red House.

Have a lovey weekend,
Miss Macklearn



School trips/events

Unless otherwise stated, children should wear school uniform for school visits (this includes school shoes). Children should bring a bag (school bag or other) to carry their packed lunch and water bottle in. If details vary to this they will be provided below within the specific trip section.

Year 4

9th February 2024 visiting Hampton Court. Children traveling via coach. Please complete the payment and permission slip by the 30th December within your child's [SCOPAY](#) account. Packed lunch required, either provide one from home or pre-book a school provided trip lunch [here](#). We may need an adult volunteer to help us with this trip, if you're available please let the office know.

Year 1

8th February 2024 visiting Windsor Castle. Travelling to and from the venue via coach. The cost for this trip is £9.60, please complete this payment by 30th December within your child's [SCOPAY](#) account. If you're in receipt of means tested free school meals this has been subsidised further. Packed lunch required, either provide one from home or pre-book a school provided trip lunch [here](#).

Celebration Worship

CLASS	
Friendship	Whole Class
Endurance	Jacob & Saran
Peace	Ellery
Forgiveness	Stanley
Reverence	Zoe
Service	Arjun
Justice	Emma H

Attendance

It can be difficult when assessing whether your child is well enough to be in school, particularly at this time of year when there are many coughs and colds around. The NHS have laid out some information which you may find helpful <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

It is usually appropriate for parents and carers to send their children to school with mild respiratory illnesses. This would include general cold symptoms: a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat (although please do send some tissues in with them to help them to manage their symptoms). However, children should not be sent to school if they have a temperature of 38°C or above. For vomiting and diarrhoea, children should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).

The previous week's attendance: Friendship 91.67%, Endurance 94.33, Peace 97.59, Forgiveness 91.33%, Reverence 93.00%, Service 90.67% and Justice 83.79%.

Christmas Events



Year 1 & 2 Nativity Performance

The Year 1 and Year 2's Nativity performance is on Monday 18th December at 14:15 – 15:00 and Tuesday 19th December at 17:30 – 18:15.

Tickets: Two tickets per child for each performance. Please bring your ticket with you to the event, as we will not be able to admit anyone without a ticket. This helps us to manage numbers of people in the hall safely.

Tuesday 19th evening performance: drop children off to school at 17:00 then collect at 18:10.

Reception Christmas Songs

Reception class will be singing some Christmas songs in their classroom on Monday 18th December at 09:00 – 09:30am and Tuesday 19th December at 14:30 – 15:00. Parents and carers welcome to join. Please enter the school via the main office.

Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Lunch and

Christmas Parties Wednesday (20th December), the children can come to school dressed in their favourite Christmas party outfits and Christmas jumpers, in exchange for a £1 donation to local charity, [Homelink Day Respite Centre](#). At lunchtime, for those children whose parents have booked it, Christmas lunch will be served. In the afternoon, there will class Christmas parties and games. On this day, the children can bring in a board game that they may choose to play with their friends if they need some respite from the parties. Please no electronic games or anything valuable that may cause upset if lost or broken. Thank you to the School Council for their assistance in planning for the Christmas parties.

End of Term Christmas Carol Service

Thursday 21st December, 10:30am – 11:30am at St Augustine's Church. Father John Kafwanka will lead us in worship, with Year 3 and 4 taking a lead with the singing and performances. Parents and carers are welcome to join us in the church. Thank you to all the adult volunteers who are helping by walking with us, this is a great help.

End of Term Early Closing

Thursday 21st December is the last day of term. We will close at 13:20 for Reception class and 13.30 for Years 1– 6.

MUFTI for Red House

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If you have any concerns regarding the safeguarding of children who attend Bishop Perrin CE Primary School, these should be reported to the Designated Safeguarding Lead who is Mr Corke. In his absence, concerns should be reported to the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead who is Miss Macklearn. The School's Safeguarding Governor is Lucy James