

Hatfield Peverel St Andrew's Junior School



NEWSLETTER 9th December 2022





Dear Parents and Carers,

Well that was a very busy Christmassy week! The Year Four production of 'Christmas is Forever' was absolutely wonderful. The children all shone so brightly! The children, staff and parents who watched really enjoyed the spectacular show! Well done to everyone who worked so hard to make it happen.

Last night was the return of St Andrew's Christmas Bazaar! It really was such a lovely evening. A huge thank you to members of the JSA who have worked tirelessly, there have been many but a specific thank you to: Mrs Winwood, Mrs Chasmer, Mrs Guy, Mrs Harman, Mrs James, Mrs Clements, Ms Ward, Ms Harvey and Mrs Ponder.

The amount raised is in excess of £3,500!! This will make such a big difference to all of the children in school so thank you all again.



My special Christmas Choir are singing at Christmas in the Park at 1:00- busy busy! Have a lovely weekend.





Next week the whole school will be learning about and making christingles. We will provide everything that they need, but ask that you provide an orange (not a satsuma or clementine please: these will be too small!) for your child.

Please could they bring in their orange on or before Wednesday 14^{th} December. These need to be named.

We will then be lighting our christingles in a virtual christingle assembly on Thursday 15th December.

JSA SCHOOL DISCO - THURSDAY 15th DECEMBER & SHINE TREATS (chosen by the children)

JSA School Disco - Thursday 15th December - all children can wear party clothes/non uniform to school (even if they are NOT attending the disco or going later -y5/6)

Year 3 Tues 20 th Dec	School uniform but bring blanket or toy. Watching a film, hot chocolate treat.	
Year 4 Fri 16 th Dec	Movie and PJ's in the afternoon (please bring PJ's in a named bag).	
Year 5 Tues 20 th Dec	Christmas party. Children to come to school in party clothes/non uniform.	
Year 6 Fri 16 th Dec	Christmas party. Children to come to school in party clothes/non uniform.	

Autumn Term 2022 - dates for your diary:-

Tuesday 13th December: Year 3 Nativity (9am tea/coffee for 9:15am start)
Wednesday 14th December: Whole School Pantomime - Sleeping Beauty
Thursday 15th December- JSA disco yr 3-4 3:10-4:20 yr 5-6 4:30-5:45

Monday 19th December: Christmas Service at St. Andrew's Church 10am (parents welcome) and CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY (new date)

Tuesday 20th December: Last day of term Finishing at 1pm

Thursday 5th January: Children return to school

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for response
All Years	Whole School Panto – please pay via Pay360 or cash/cheque to the office ASAP	Friday 2 nd December
Year 3	Nativity - Tuesday 13 th December - please complete the Google form to reserve seats:- https://forms.gle/6hQg3qzhDENig8N46	
Year 4		
Year 5		
Year 6	Shine Treat - Friday 16 th December - children to wear party clothes for the day	
Year 6	Hilltop Letter	First half payment required by 27 th January (£106.50) Final payment by Friday 28 th April (£106.50)



Our wonderful, hard-working cleaners are choosing the base who has been the tidiest each week.

AUTUMN/WINTER TERM 2022 MENU Week 1 - week commencing 12th December 2022

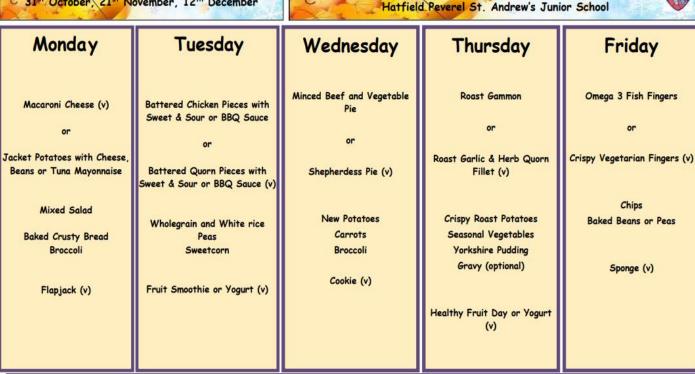
Thank you for helping to support our school by choosing a school meal for your child/ren.

Meals are £2.30 daily and can be ordered by your child in class during registration each morning.

Our preferred payment method is via Pay360 Education Payments
please contact the office if you have yet to register for this.



AUTUMN/WINTER 2022 - LUNCH MENU



Thank you for supporting us by having a school meal. Please be assured for your peace of mind - all allergens are catered for.



SAVE THE DATE

A Multiplication Table check meeting (led by Mrs Pettifer our Maths lead) for year 3 and 4 parents will take place on January 16th after school 3:15-3:45.

This is a re-run of the meeting this week.



CHRISTMAS WEEK MENU CHANGES 19th & 20th DECEMBER



Monday 19th December Christmas Dinner Day

Tuesday 20th December

Jacket Potatoes with Beans / Cheese / Tuna Mayonnaise

Fruit / Yogurt

School Council Eco Christmas

After the success of Planet Super League, where the School Council encouraged everyone to get involved in making small changes for a positive impact on our planet, councillors have turned their gaze to Christmas. Councillors have shared ideas for how to have a greener Christmas with less waste. This has the added benefit of saving money.

This week's tips are from George (Maple) and Harry (Fir):

- Think about the festive treats you are buying and try to get ones that have less plastic packaging or recyclable packaging.
- Don't use shiny wrapping paper this can't be recycled.

Did you know that most supermarkets now have recycling in store for soft plastics - this includes, clingfilm, crisp packets and food film.



In our last meeting of the term, we had a go at making our own Christmas crackers using a very simple method. If you would like to try this too, more details will follow!





Points for this week!			
Berwicks	514		
Greystones	625		
Priory	509		
Vinehurst	573		



Wishing a very **Happy Birthday** to those who have celebrated their birthdays between:

5th to 11th December 2022

George F, Vincent, Leo B, Reggie, Jake, Holly

PARENTS WITH YEAR 2 CHILDREN

As you are aware, parents of current Year 2 children at an infant school need to make a formal application to the Council for a Year 3 place and can do so via the

website <u>www.essex.gov.uk/admissions</u>.

The junior admission round opened on 7
November 2022, for parents of children in Year 2 at an infant school to apply for a junior school (Year 3) place for September 2023.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 15 January 2023.

From 7 November 2022, applications can be made online
Via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

All of the application information is available on the website above

PANTO - SLEEPING BEAUTY

We are looking forward to our annual traditional festive Panto but currently less than half of contributions have been received. To ensure this tradition can continue in future years, we really do need your support - the £5.90 per child contribution can be made via Pay360, cash or cheque to the school office.

We thank you in advance for your support with this.



These are the children who have been spotted shining in school this week. We could have chosen so many children- the decisions were hard to make!

Well done for demonstrating our CARE values.

Apple - Reggie

Birch - Elliot

Cherry - Haniyah

Fir - Imogen

Maple - Bella

Oak - Dexter

Rowan - Seren

Sycamore - Naomi

Compassion Achievement Respect

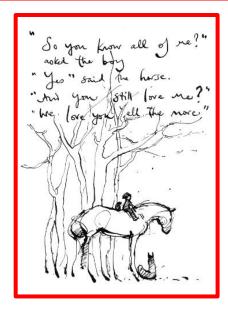
Enjoyment

Every child is loved and known.

Every child shines.

A lovely message from Charlie Mackesy.

https://twitter.com/charliemackesy





Spotlight on Christmas is Forever by Year Four.













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Spotlight on JSA Christmas Wreath Making



A really lovely evening, where even the least creative person (me!) went home with a stunning wreath.

£300 made for the JSA!
Thank you to Mrs Clements, her mum and her friends
Jo who ran it and for everyone who attended.



BEFORE



On Sunday, Eleanor ran in the 5K Santa fun run raising for money Farleigh Hospice. She the managed to run whole 30 course in minutes. Her family are very proud of her and SO are we! Congratulations and well done Eleanor!







Max and his family had a very festive weekend and he is very keen to share some of it with us all. He also ran the 5k Santa run in Chelmsford in support of Farleigh Hospice alongside the rest of his family. This was his longest run to date and he did a great job, never and keeping giving up His family are running. proud and he very particularly enjoyed his finisher cookie and receiving his medal at the end! Congratulations and well done Max - we are very proud!



The Parish Council and the Village Hall look forward to welcoming you all to their Christmas event on Sunday 11th December at the Village Hall from 1pm until 9pm. Browse the craft stalls from 1pm and be entertained by the close-up magician between 4 and 7pm!

Enjoy waffles, gin, mulled wine and hot toddies from our outside stalls, or have a ride on the carousel! The bar and café inside the hall will be open from 1pm

Here's what else is on:

- 1.00pm St Andrew's Junior School choir singing carols
- 1.30pm to 3.30pm Reindeer and sleigh
- 1.30pm to 5.00pm Santa's Grotto*
- 3.00pm performance by Gyrus Gymnastics
- 3.45pm performance by Complete Dance
- 4.45pm Piper
- 5.00pm Carols around the Christmas tree and switch on of the lights by Father Christmas
- 7.00pm Live band "Room 2"
- 9.00pm Finish

Entry is free, with a small charge for Santa's Grotto (*online prebooked tickets only). Parking will be available at St Andrew's Junior School, Church Road. There will be some disabled parking available at the village hall for blue badge holders.





Essex Fire Museum have a Christmas open day (situated behind Grays Fire Station) on Sunday 18th December. There will be opportunities for families to get involved in history trails around the museum, craft activities and a chance to sit on the fire engines (and squirt water!).

Santa will be dropping in also to meet everyone.

The museum is free entry (but visits are by appointment only - they are on the site of an operational fire station). If families are interested, could you please email: museum@essex-fire.gov.uk and tell them the number in your party and the time you would like to arrive (open from 10.00am to 3.00pm). They have to keep the station informed of numbers throughout the day.

Address and contact details are:

Fire Station, Hogg Lane, Grays RM17 5QS

Phone: 01376 576847

Email: <u>museum@essex-fire.gov.uk</u>

Website: Fire Museum (essex-fire.gov.uk)

The Winter Reading Challenge 2022 started on the 26th November, and is running until the 28th of January. This means there is still plenty of time for the students to get involved! The WRC consists of 12 challenges, of which the children choose and complete six. These include fun reading activities like building a den to read in, or reading a book to your pet! There are also tasks that focus on drawing and writing. When the child has completed six challenges they can go into a library to collect their prize. This includes a certificate, a packet of seeds ready to plant in spring, and if they are one of the first to complete the challenge, a book to keep! To sign up head over to your local library to get your task leaflet then you are off!

This year, there is even a way for the grownups to get involved with reading ahead. To complete this all you have to do is read six things, that is six any things! It could be a recipe, a book to your child, a novel, or anything between. You can sign up with your child at the library, and can also complete your certificate when you complete it.



Pick up your booklet from any Essex library, and complete six challenges for a free reward!

Find out more at libraries.essex.gov.uk









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