



Dear Families

This week our Robins have been busy putting the final touches to their play and finding out how tall Father Christmas is whilst our Woodpeckers have been writing alternative endings to their Christmas play. Children in our Kingfisher class have been looking at Michael Morpurgo's text '*Coming Home*' and our Owls have been looking at how the Anglo Saxons changed from Paganism to Christianity as well as making Christmas decorations.

Did you know? The Pope in 593AD spotted some Anglo-Saxon children for sale in a market and asked where they had come from. He was told they were 'Angles' (as in Anglo-Saxons) and he said "They're so beautiful with their blonde hair; they are angels, not angles."

Congratulations to Hayden Fisher and his family on the birth of his new baby sister.

Christmas Fayre

Thank you for your support. We will let you know the total raised on Monday.

Year 5 / 6 visit to Heathfield Nursing Home

Our children have been invited to perform at Heathfield Nursing Home on Tuesday morning. Please sign the permission slip below. Thank you.

Clubs

There will be no clubs next week.

Football & Multi Sports will commence week beginning 9th January 2017

NEXT WEEK:

Monday

Year 1 – 6 Christmas Nativity and Carols - This JOINT EVENT is taking place on Monday 12th December at St Giles Church. There will be two performances @ 2pm and 6pm.

Our **KS1** children will go home in their nativity outfits with their school uniform in a bag. Please can we ask that they return to the church for **5.45pm** with their nativity outfits still on – thank you.

Please could our **KS2** children wear their school uniform along with a Christmas hat / head-band



Can we please ask for toddlers not to attend the evening performance as this can be quite disruptive to our performers. Thank you.

PLEASE CAN YOU COLLECT YOUR CHILDREN FROM THE CHURCH AT 3PM *This does include our Robin class pupils *

Tuesday

Y5/6 – Performing at Heathfield Nursing Home – travel by private car.

Wednesday

Whole School Christmas Lunch with Year 6s serving (Y6 parents please see accompanying letter). Please order via the office

FSU Christmas Nativity - This is taking place in school on Tuesday 15th December @ 2.15pm.

Thursday

Friday –

Party - The whole school will be partying in the morning which will be followed by our Christmas party lunch. I expect most of you will have seen the list. Please do sign up against the item(s) you feel you will be able to contribute. Parents of our Robins class will find their list in the classroom.

Children are invited to wear their own clothes. I believe it is also National Christmas Jumper Day.



Term ends at 1.30pm

Thread Worms

Just to let you know that we have had a case of thread worms so please do encourage your children to wash their hands after using the toilet.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 12 th December	Christmas Nativity and Carols 2pm and 6pm PLEASE CAN YOU COLLECT YOUR CHILDREN FROM THE CHURCH AT 3PM *This <u>does</u> include our Robin class pupils who are going to watch*
Tuesday 13 th December	Year 5 and 6 carol singing at Heathfield Nursing Home (Consent Form below)
Wednesday 14 th December	Christmas Lunch (with Year 6s serving) ROBINS Christmas Play - Parents to arrive at 2:15pm through the main office entrance. <i>Please let Mrs Seymour know how many adults will be attending as we need to arrange seating.</i> If your Robin child doesn't normally attend on a Wednesday, please could they arrive for 12:30pm Thankyou
Friday 16 th December	Christmas Party
Last day of autumn term	School finishes at 1:30pm
Wednesday 4th January	Spring term begins

Finally, Lollipop Sue WILL NOT be on the school crossing on the morning or afternoon of Tuesday 13th December. Please be extra careful crossing the busy road.

This will be our last newsletter this term.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas.

Louise Hatton and all the staff
Headteacher

Church News

Crib Service

This year's crib service is taking place on 24th December at 3.30pm in St Giles Church. It will be an informal family service with carols included.

We will be holding Prayer Spaces in School again next term. Would anyone like to help with a session? The dates are Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th January. To find out more or express interest please contact Joanna Clifford, Children's and Families Coordinator for the Akeman Benefice on 01869 351652.

Bletch Café – Please see the attached flyer.

Yr 5 & 6 ENTERTAINING RESIDENTS OF HEATHFIELD NURSING HOME Tuesday 13th December

I give permission for (pupils name) to attend Heathfield Nursing Home on Tuesday 13th December.

I understand transport will be by private car and that all children will be back for 3pm collection from school

Signedparent/guardian