



NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 11th December: Rocksteady Performance for RS Parents 10:45
Wednesday 12th December: Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 12th December: >96% Attendance Mufti
Wednesday 12th December: Reception Film and Disco 3.00-5.00pm
Friday 14th December: PTFA Mufti: YR-Y3 – Chocolate; Y4-Y6 – Cakes
Friday 14th December: Reception Christmas Performances 9:15am & 2:15pm
Monday 17th December: Y1-Y3 Christmas Performances 10am & 1:45pm
Tuesday 18th December: Y4-Y6 Christmas Performances 9:15am & 1:30pm
Wednesday 19th December: TERM ENDS 1:30pm
Wednesday 19th December: PTFA Christmas Fair 1:30pm
Monday 7th January: SCHOOL STARTS
Thursday 14th February: PTFA Disco
Friday 15th February: Break Up for Half Term
Monday 25th February: SCHOOL STARTS



Celebrating children who have gone above and beyond this week:

Lilly-Mae (Lavender)... for showing excellent resilience in Maths.

Elijah (Elm)... for using Numicon to investigate odd and even numbers.

Jayden-Jack (Cedar)... for following all of the school rules consistently and being a good role model for others!

From Miss Lim

Sometimes I feel exhausted just thinking about all of the things Weyfield pupils and staff have been engaged in each week – we are always so busy! This week has been no exception: Willow class took part in Rocksteady music workshops on Monday; our ‘Spirit of Youth’ children performed their version of Shakespeare’s A Midsummer Night’s Dream with residents at the Queen Elizabeth Care Park; some lucky Year 5 pupils had a fantastic morning at Metro Bank on Wednesday, whilst Years 2-3 were busy with their Stone Age archaeological dig and Year 4 disappeared off to St John’s Church to entertain their guests with Christmas Carols (and a hearty rendition of ‘Mamma Mia!’); and today Mrs Shred accompanied 4 of our pupils to the finalists’ event for the ROAR competition, to present their amazing idea for making the world a better place... read all about it and how they got on in next week’s newsletter!

All of this AND we have been rehearsing for our upcoming Christmas performances, which we hope you will all come and watch – there are some tickets still available for the Y4-6 performances so please speak to the Front Office. Although we are nearing the end of a long term, your children continue to bring their energy and enthusiasm to school every day, which is a joy to see. There is a palpable sense of excitement and sparkle in the air (especially now we have a beautiful twinkly Christmas tree, thanks to the PTFA!) and the next few weeks are a real chance for us to celebrate together how far the children have come. Teachers will be updating their assessments of pupils by the end of next week, which allows us to track their attainment and progress each half term, and I am confident that it will reflect all the hard work and resilience that your children have demonstrated once again this term.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and I look forward to celebrating with you at one - or many - of our events over the next few weeks!

Miss Lim
Headteacher

Carols – And More – at St John's

On Wednesday, children from Maple class went to St John's Church to sing for the people who had been attending the centre's Christmas lunch. They sang old favourites, *The First Nowell* and *O Little Town of Bethlehem* as well as *Mary's Boy Child* and the less Christmassy, but still well-received, *Mamma Mia* and *Lean on Me*.



The children (who sang like angels!) were also able to help with lighting the Advent Candle, giving out gifts to the people watching, and sorting gifts which church members have donated for children attending the Jarvis Centre in Guildford. This was a delightful way to kick-start our Christmas festivities and we think the church's visitors enjoyed it as much as our children did!

Can we remind parents, including those with pre-school siblings, that **the closing date for Reception and Junior applications for September 2019 entry is 15 January 2019.**

Surrey County Council encourages online applications, however parents can also request a paper application form or seek impartial help in completing an application via the Surrey Schools & Childcare Service (0300 200 1004). Full information is available on Surrey's website at www.surreycc.gov.uk/primaryadmissions. Weyfield's Family Support Team (Mrs Baldwin and Mrs Knight) will also be pleased to help.

Applications received after the closing date without good reason will be treated as late and will not be considered until all on time applications have been processed. This may jeopardise the chance of parents being offered one of their preferred schools for their child.

Metro Bank

Thank you to the wonderful staff at Metro Bank who invited some of our Year 5 pupils to visit the Guildford branch. They had a fantastic time looking inside the vault and learning about how the bank works.



Can we please ask that any **items of clothing** which have been borrowed from the school are washed and returned as soon as possible. We are running low!
Thank you for your understanding.

Christmas holiday fun for all the family awaits

Guildford Borough Council has collated some useful information on activities for children and young people taking place in Guildford over the Christmas holidays. Details of playschemes, arts and crafts, sports activities, family days out and much more can be found on the website:

www.guildford.gov.uk/holidayactivities



Thank you to everyone who bought a poppy for the British Legion Poppy Appeal. We raised £57.93.

Congratulations to **Walnut Class**, who have the highest attendance this week of **99.28%**; they will be awarded golden time! This week's **whole-school attendance** is **94.19%**. Next week will see our Attendance Treats for children who have achieved 96% attendance or more. Invitations will be sent out shortly.

Time Team

Years 2 and 3 have been looking at Scavengers and Settlers. As part of their topic they have looked at the job of an archaeologist. On Wednesday, Godalming Museum visited the school with mini-dig kits for the children to excavate some buried treasures, so the children were able to take part in a Stone Age Dig and pretend to be archaeologists, uncovering coins, pieces of pottery and even a few bones from two different layers of soil and sand.

The children then had to record where items were found, what they looked like, their size and what they were made from, just as a real archaeologist would do. All the children were really excited to take part, but very respectful of the equipment they were using.

