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# School News



No. 13

4th December 2025

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Friday, 5th December - PTFA Christmas Gift Shop



Friday will be the last day the PTFA are holding their popular Christmas Gift Shop during lunchtime. Children are able to buy gifts for friends and family costing up to £3.00. It would be helpful, particularly for the younger children, if you include with their money a list of who they are buying for and their age, so the PTFA can help them to choose an appropriate gift. Please can we ask that all money is sent in a purse/wallet that has been labelled with your child's name.

### Friday, 5th December - Year 1 Teddy Bear Picnic



Further details about this event will be shared by Miss Thomas via Classdojo. Parents are invited to arrive early, via the school office, to join their child in the classroom from 2.50 to 3.05pm for this special event. Parents will be asked to leave via the office at the end of the event and collect from the playground as normal so that children can get ready and be dismissed at the end of the school day.

### Friday, 5th December - 'Singing Club' to sing Carols at Eastry Village Coffee Morning



A small group of children from our Singing Club will join Mrs Gleave to sing some Carols and Christmas songs at December's Eastry Village Coffee Morning. The coffee morning runs once a month in the village hall from 9.30am. We expect our singers to arrive for their performance at around 11.00am.

### Monday, 8th December - Fledglings Christmas Show at 2.15pm in the School Hall



The Fledglings have been practising hard and invite their parents, carers and family to the Fledglings very special Christmas Show on Monday, 8th December at 2.15pm in the school Hall. (Tickets are not needed for this event.)

### Tuesday, 9th December - Fledglings Christmas Show at 9.30am in the School Hall



The Fledglings have been practising hard and invite their parents, carers and family to the Fledglings Christmas Show on Tuesday, 9th December at 9.30am in the school Hall. (Tickets are not needed for this event.)

### Wednesday, 10th December - Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day



On Wednesday, 10th December we have our Christmas Jumper Day. Children can come to school wearing their favourite Christmas Jumper instead of their normal school jumper. We also have a Christmas Dinner on this day if you have pre-ordered this. All children, including those having a packed lunch, will receive a Christmas Cracker thanks to the PTFA.

## SCHOOL DIARY DATES - CONTINUED



### Thursday, 11th December - Christingle Service at St. Mary's Church, Eastry at 9.30am

All parents and carers are invited to our special Christingle Service being held at St. Mary's Church on Wednesday, 11th December at 9.30am. All children will be attending although the infants will be lighting their Christingle when they get back to school.

**Please can we remind children with long hair to wear this tied up on 11th December, thank you.**



### Friday, 12th December - PTFA Christmas Disco's

**3.15 to 4.15pm Fledglings, Year 1 & Year 2**

**4.30 to 5.30pm Years 3 to 6**

Please see the separate letter emailed and sent home with children last week regarding this event. Further copies are available from the school office.



### Monday, 15th December - Year 1 & 2 Nativity Play at 2.15pm in the school Hall

Year 1 and 2 are very excited to perform their Nativity Play which promises to be a very special event. Parents, carers, family and friends are warmly invited to join us on Monday, 15th December at 2.15pm to watch their play. (Tickets are not needed.)



### Tuesday, 16th December - Year 1 & 2 Nativity Play at 9.30am in the school Hall

Year 1 and 2 are very excited to perform their Nativity Play which promises to be a very special event. Parents, carers, family and friends are warmly invited to join us on Tuesday, 16th December at 9.30am to watch their play. (Tickets are not needed.)

### Wednesday, 17th December - Last Day of Term 2

### Thursday, 18th and Friday, 19th December - INSET Days School Closed

## **PTFA News**

### Bonfire and Christmas Trail

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported the bonfire and Christmas trail last Friday. This is the first time we have held this event. It was a lovely evening and very well supported. As well as everyone having fun toasting marshmallows, drinking hot chocolate, enjoying the Christmas lights and our stalls and raffle, we also raised a fantastic £362.00. A special thank you to Mr & Mrs Evans, Mr Wheatley, Mr Rogers, Tamara, Oscar and everyone who came along to help during the evening.

### PTFA Christmas Disco

Don't forget to return your form if your child would like to attend the Christmas Discos taking place on Friday, 12th December. Please also remember to enclose your payment of £2 per child or make payment via BACS to 'Eastry Parent teacher Association', Sorting Code 60-18-34, Account number 05644143, Reference Child's name.

## LAST WEEK OF TERM MENU



### Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December

pizza (V)\*  
sauté potatoes  
baked beans & sweetcorn  
cooks choice of Christmas dessert

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### Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December

breaded chicken steak  
veggie nuggets  
rainbow pasta  
peas & mixed veg  
cooks choice of Christmas dessert

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### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December

fish fingers, skin on fries & Peas  
veggie nuggets & skin on fries & peas (Vg)  
cooks choice of Christmas dessert

## OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS

### Santa Delivery Service



Eastry Fire Station are again helping Santa to deliver presents to children in the local area. If you would like them to visit you please provide a present at Bickers Post Office with your name, address, contact telephone number and cost of delivery which is £3.00 per present. **Delivery to Betteshanger, Eythorne, Ash and Sandwich will be from 4.00pm on Saturday, 20th December and delivery to Woodnesborough and Eastry will be from 4.00pm on Sunday, 21st December.** All funds raised go to the Firefighters Charity and presents need to be delivered to Bickers Post Office by 4pm on Friday, 19th December.



# DROP 'N' SHOP

## FUN HOLIDAY COURSES 2025

Looking to squeeze in some last minute Christmas Shopping?

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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

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in partnership with THE PEOPLES

- 22nd & 23rd December 2025
- Stella Maris Catholic Primary
- The Stour Centre
- Shepherdswell Primary
- HAF vouchers will be available from 26th November 2025



• 9am - 4pm  
 • Early drop off from 8.30am  
 • £2 (pay on arrival)  
 • Boys / Girls (Year 1 - Year 6)  
 • Sibling discount available using the code 'siblings2025'

ALL COURSES HAVE LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE, SO BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

DATES	VENUE	MONDAY 22 <sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER	TUESDAY 23 <sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER
HAF	STELLA MARIS Catholic Primary School	MULTI SPORTS FOOTBALL	MULTI SPORTS FOOTBALL
HAF	STOUR CENTRE	MULTI SPORTS FOOTBALL	MULTI SPORTS FOOTBALL
HAF	SHEPHERDSWELL Primary School	MULTI SPORTS FOOTBALL	MULTI SPORTS FOOTBALL

EARLY DROP OFF £2 FROM 8.30AM

ALL COURSES START AT 9.00AM UNTIL 4.00PM

ALL COURSES ARE FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN (YEARS 1 - YEARS 6)

**JUST ONE DAY £25 / 2 DAYS for £45**

DISCOUNTS FOR SIBLINGS USE CODE: siblings2025

PLEASE NOTE YOU ARE REQUIRED TO BRING YOUR OWN SCOOTER/BIKE AND HELMET (which must be worn) Except at The Stour Centre, no bikes or scooters

**BASKETBALL TRI-GOLF**

Stella Maris Catholic Primary, Parkfield Road, Folkestone, Kent, CT19 5BY  
 The Stour Centre, Station Approach, Ashford, Kent, TN23 1ET  
 Shepherdswell Primary, Coldred Road, Shepherdswell, Dover, Kent, CT15 7LF

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## HEALTH & SAFETY ADVICE/ONLINE SAFETY SECTION



### **Meet Techosaurus, A New Online Safety Dinosaur**

Techosaurus has been created by the NSPCC to help parents have those first conversations with their child regarding online safety.

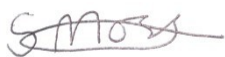
Talking to children about online safety can seem a daunting prospect but it is so important to introduce online safety in to the conversation as soon as they start to use online gadgets and devices.

Techosaurus has been designed to specifically help you and your child have those first conversations. To view the range and price of Techosaurus material, please visit the NSPCC website at;

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/advice-for-families/techosaurus/>

<b>AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS</b>	
Week commencing 8.12.2025	
MONDAY	
Football Club—Elite (3.15 to 4.15pm)	Yes
Netball Club - Mrs Wood (3.15 to 1.00pm)	NO
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	
Dance Club—Elite (3.15 to 4.15pm)	Yes
THURSDAY(	
FRIDAY	

Kind regards



Mrs Sarah Moss  
Headteacher