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School News



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



A big thank you for your donations for this year's Children's Society Christingle collection, we raised £155.00 which has been sent to them in time for Christmas.

Friday, 15th December - INSET Day - School Closed

Tuesday, 2nd January - Start of Term 3

Thursday, 4th January - Year 3 & 4 Epiphany Service at St. Mary's Church, Eastry at 9.30am

Parents, family and friends are invited to join us for our Epiphany Service on Thursday, 4th January at St. Mary's Church, Eastry at 9.30am.

Friday, 5th January - Year 4 Class Worship at 9.00 in the School Hall

Parents, carers, family and friends of children in Year 4 are warmly invited to join us for their class worship.

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

Early Morning Club

The register for Early Morning Club for term 3 and 4 is now open. Early Morning Club runs from 8.00 to 8.35am and costs £1.20 per day. Places must be booked and paid for in advance. As circumstance and requirements change we ask that you contact the school to book a place even if you have used Early Morning Club in previous terms.

School Meals

Further to our notification sent recently we would remind you that the cost of a school dinner increases from £2.41 to £2.45 on 2nd January. If you feel your child may be entitled to Free School Meals, even if they receive the free Universal School Meal in Reception, Year 1 or 2, please speak to Mrs Inglis, FLO or the school office. As well as your child receiving a free, nutritious meal, they would currently also receive food vouchers during the school holidays and help with energy and free holiday activity places.

After School Clubs

After School Clubs start the second week back after the Christmas break. Further details were emailed and sent home last week and can also be found on the school website on our Clubs page.

PTFA News

NAME THE ELF!

Thank you to everyone who took part in the 'Name the Elf' competition which raised £31.00. The winner was announced this morning in worship and the name for the elf was 'Winter'. Many congratulations to the winner who brings Winter home today!

DECORATE A BAUBLE

Thank you to everyone who purchased a bauble to decorate The Five Bells Christmas tree and a special thank you to the Five Bells for donating the baubles, which raised £30.00.

INTERNET/ONLINE SAFETY & WEBSITE SECTION

HELP WITH SETTING UP PARENTAL CONTROLS ON NEW DEVICES

Some children may be lucky enough to receive a new games console, mobile or other internet enable device this Christmas. We thought it would be helpful to provide you with some links giving you instructions on how to set up parental controls on these devices;

General Advices - [Home \(lgfl.net\)](http://Home.lgfl.net)

Nintendo - <https://www.nintendo.co.uk/Support/Parents/Parents-642522.html>

PlayStation - <https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/support/account/psn-safety-parents-guide/>

Xbox—<https://support.xbox.com/en-US/help/family-online-safety/browse>

Links to all these pages can be found on the school website on our Internet Safety page where you will also find links and support for other devices, as well as safety and support information should this be needed. Our Internet safety page can be found using the following link;

<https://www.eastry.kent.sch.uk/safeguarding/on-line-safety>

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 5.30pm on Tuesday, 19th December and delivery to Woodnesborough and Eastry will be from 6.00pm Wednesday, 20th December.** All funds raised go to the Firefighters Charity and presents need to be delivered to Bickers Post Office by 4pm on Saturday, 16th December.

Kind regards

Mr Neil Garvey
Interim Headteacher

Thank you for your support during Term 2.

I wish you all a merry and peaceful Christmas, enjoy time with family and friends, and I look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Week commencing 1.1.2024

MONDAY	
Fitness/Circuit Training (3.30-4.15pm)	NO
Home Learning Club (3.30-4.00pm)	NO
Creative Station (3.30-4.30pm)	NO
TUESDAY	
Ballet (3.30-4.10pm)	NO
Netball Club (3.30-4.15pm)	NO
WEDNESDAY	
Singing Club (8.00 to 8.35am)	NO
Multi-Sports Club (3.30 to 4.30pm)	NO
THURSDAY	
Football Club (3.30-4.30pm)	NO
FRIDAY	