



Newsletter



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Message from the headteacher

I think the Christmas spirit has definitely continued to grow over the past week at Old Park, and it has been great to walk around watching the pupils prepare for their Christmas performances that begin next week. I hope as many of you as possible can join us to see the results of their hard work. We had a visit on Monday from Telford and Wrekin to complete our safeguarding review which went really well. The reviewer commented on how much knowledge our pupils had on keeping themselves safe and how happy they all appeared to be in school which was great to hear! I hope that everyone has a lovely weekend and is slowly getting all their Christmas shopping done.

Christmas performance times

Key stage 1

Year 1: Wednesday 13th December

Location: St Leonards Church

Performance time: 2pm



Year 2: Thursday 14th December

Location: St Leonards Church

Performance time: 2pm

Key stage 2

Year 5/6: Monday 18th December

Year 3/4: Tuesday 19th December

Location: The Minster: Southwater

Performance times: 1pm or 2pm



Party lunch

On Monday 18th December we will be celebrating as one of our pupils gets to 'ring the bell' as they are now cancer free. This is an amazing moment for the pupil and the family so we only felt it was only right to celebrate. Therefore the kitchen will be serving a **special party themed lunch on 18th December.**

Driving in the lane

We have been made aware by several parents/carers over the past week about the dangerous driving that takes place down the lane at the back of the school.

Can I remind parents/carers that they should not be parking in front of the school gates, as access is required at all times by emergency vehicles & staff.

Parents should not be driving down the lane at the start and end of the day as we have lots of pupils and their parents/carers walking to and from school and this puts them at risk of an accident.

There have been instances of drivers using their horn to tell pupils to move out of the way and driving down the lane quickly. It is important that we keep everyone in our school community safe. I have also asked our PCSO's for their support at the start and end of the day so we can ensure everyone is kept safe. Many thanks for your support with this important matter.

Attendance

Well done to the following classes for having the best attendance in their year group this week:

FW, 1H, 2V, 3/4K, 4H, 5P and 6W.

A special **well done 3/4K** who had the highest attendance this week of 99%. An amazing achievement!

A special treat will be on its way to them on Monday!





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Diary Dates

Autumn 2

Week beginning 11th December	Year 6 Arthog trip
Tuesday 12th December	Nursery sing-a-long 11am Squirrels and 2:45 Squirrels
Wednesday 20th December	10:15 Nursery nativity, 10:45 Hedgehog workshop 2:15pm Nursery nativity and 2:30 Hedgehogs workshop
Wednesday 13th December	Year 1 Christmas performance (2pm)
Thursday 14th December	Year 2 Christmas performance (2pm)
Monday 18th December	Year 5 and 6 Christmas concert (1pm or 2pm)
Tuesday 19th December	Foundation Christmas sing along (am)
Tuesday 19th December	Year 3 and 4 Christmas concert (1pm or 2pm)
Wednesday 20th December	Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch
Thursday 21st December	Last day of term
Friday 22nd December	Staff PD Day



Term dates 2023-2024

21st December	Last day of term
22nd December	Staff PD day
8th January 2024	Spring term starts
12th - 16th Feb 2024	Half term
22nd March 2024	Last day of term
25th March—5th April	Easter holiday
8th April 2024	Summer term starts
27th - 31st May 2024	Half term
3rd June 2024	Staff PD day
Friday 19th July 2024	Last day of term

