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Dear Families

Our younger children have been busy practising for our Nativity this week and they are doing really well. We cannot wait to see it.

Rowan Class presented a great assembly this week which gave them the opportunity to showcase all of their learning during this term.

School is becoming really busy as we are now in the Christmas season. In my assembly on Monday, we explored Advent and the lighting of the first candle – hope!

Have a great weekend. Jane Sharrock

CHRISTMAS TREE!





We would like to extend our appreciation to Tates of Sussex Old Barn Nursery for their incredibly generous donation of the beautiful Christmas tree. Thank you to Mrs van Zanten and the children in After School club who decorated the tree, which is now on display in our hall. We would like to say a very big 'thank you' to Mr Brunton for making this possible.



MESSAGE FROM CHARTWELLS

The Chartwells catering team would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, and very much look forward to seeing all the children again in the dining hall in the New Year. You can order now for January 2025 as we are sure you will all be very busy organising Christmas. Please remember to order in time for the children's return to school in January.



REMINDER - OPEN AFTERNOON

We are holding an Open Afternoon on Monday 16th December from 3:20pm until 4:15pm to give children the opportunity to share their learning from this term with their parents. Our children are very proud of the learning that they produce and this will give our parents and carers the chance to see some of it and catch up with the class teacher. We look forward to seeing you.

MUSIC CONCERT

We are holding a music concert on **Thursday 19**th **December at 2.30pm** to celebrate some of the music from this term including pieces from the choir, boys' vocal group and the recorder club. Holly class will be performing a piece they have been working on as part of their new style weekly music lesson. Mr Eaton will also be coming in to share what our guitarists have been doing too. What a lovely way to end the term.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

We would love you to join us in celebrating this special time of year at our school Christmas service on Tuesday, 17th December at 9am. Oak Class will be leading the service.



Recent correspondence:

- KS1 Santa Dash at The Angmering School 17/12/24 (3.45pm)
- KS2 Santa Dash at The Angmering School 10/12/24 (3.45pm)
- PTA Elfridges 12/12/24
- Christmas Party £2 donation please (20/12/24)

DATES FOR THE AUTUMN & SPRING TERMS

Over the weeks, we will add new dates/events in red, so please make sure that you regularly check this list and update your diaries.

DECEMBER

Tues 10 December Ash & Willow Christmas Nativity (2pm)

Walking Nativity from Findon Village Hall to The Gun (6pm)

KS2 Santa Dash (3.45pm)

Wed 11 December Ash & Willow Christmas Nativity (2pm)

Thurs 12 December PTA Elfridges event

Y5 & Y6 Locality Football & Netball matches at Angmering School

Last Recorder Club

Fri 13 December Last Chelsea FC Club session

Mon 16 December Open Afternoon (3.30pm)

Tues 17 December Christmas Service – Oak Class will be leading the service (9am)

Last Boys' Vocal Club

KS1 Santa Dash (3.45pm)

Wed 18 December Chartwells Christmas lunch

Last KS2 Premier Education Badminton Club

Thurs 19 December Music Concert – parents invited (2.30pm)

Last KS1 Premier Education Gymnastics Club

Fri 20 December Christmas party lunch (Chartwells lunches will not be served) – information to follow

Last day of term

Sun 22 December Family Service of Carols and Readings at St John the Baptist Church (3pm) & Choir

JANUARY 2025

Mon 6 January INSET Day

Tues 7 January Back to school

Fri 10 January Rainbow Theatre - Cinderella Pantomime for whole school (pm)

Chelsea FC After School Club restarts: Y1 - Y4

Mon 13 January Wannado Street Dance Club starts: Y1 – Y6

O2 choir rehearsals start (3.20pm – 4.15pm)

Tues 14 January Year 1 & Year 2 Instrumental Club starts (3.15pm – 4pm) – details to follow

Boys' Vocal Club Y2-Y6 (3.20pm – 4.15pm)

Thurs 16 January KS2 Recorder Club (3.20pm – 4.15pm)

Tues 21 January O2 Trip

FEBRUARY 2025

Wed 12 February Reception assembly (2.45pm) – parents invited

17-21 February Half-term break

Mon 24 February Back to school

Tues 25 February Parents evening (3.30pm – 6.30pm)

Wed 26 February Parents evening (3.30pm – 5.30pm)