



Welcome to The Infant Informative



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Issue 14

Well there you have it, we made it!

As we reflect on the bustling activities of this Autumn term, it's truly been a season of energy, enthusiasm and learning moments. We held a heart-warming Harvest Assembly featuring Bethany from St. Paul's and continued our assemblies around British Values - our children have been immersed in a rich tapestry of experiences. The excitement continued with Space Day for Year 1 and Castle Day for Year 2, showcasing their boundless curiosity and creativity. The entire school came alive on our Outdoor Learning Day, fostering a connection with nature in our beautiful school grounds. Our commitment to diversity and cultural understanding was evident in events such as the celebration of Diwali, Remembrance Assembly, and the thoughtful celebration of Kindness Week. The school spirit soared during our Church Visit for Year 2, and the Fire Service Visits for Reception and Year 2 added an element of real-world learning. Collaboration with CRJS reached new heights with the Joint Reindeer Run, setting the stage for a festive season. Christmas cheer echoed through the halls during our festive performances where the talent and enthusiasm of our pupils shone brightly. Culminating our term was the joyous shared experience of the Christmas Lunch, a visit from a cheeky Elf, snow, music and Santa. We love bringing together our school community in a spirit of unity and celebration.

Today, all children leave school with their own Santa hat - these were kindly donated free of charge from a material company.

A massive thank you from all of the staff for your thoughtful and generous Christmas gifts - your gifts are always very much appreciated even although we do this job because we love it.

We collected donations at the end of all of our Christmas shows and raised a staggering **£547.96!!** Unbelievable. This will be split equally between our three chosen charities: Children's Hospital Pyjamas, F142 Paediatric Oncology at Frimley Park Hospital and Barnardo's.

Finally, our mission to improve parking and driving outside of our school is gaining traction. You can now sign this ePetition that the council have helped us set up: [Click here.](#)

Have the most wonderful Christmas, I look forward to seeing you all in the new year. Mr O'Shea :)

Have you seen someone park illegally? Report it here via this email address:

SurreyParkingEnforcement@nslservices.co.uk

We would like to strongly encourage you to report all incidents to prove that there is an issue around the schools and support the need for action. Reporting also means that offenders may receive a Penalty Notice which may deter them from parking in those areas again.



A message from our Assistant Headteacher - Miss Saunders

In recognition of last week's Elf visit, I have chosen this book. Father Christmas needs a holiday - he isn't feeling well and someone seems determined to ruin the festivities. It's up to Christmas Elves, Tog and Holly, to find a way to deliver the presents on time and bring the Christmas magic back for everyone.



TRICK BOX

We use Trick Box everyday at school. It teaches children to regulate their own emotions and become their own problem solvers. We have a new 'trick' every two weeks for Reception and KS1 children. Nursery have similar 'habits' to learn too. Press the Trick Box logo to the left to navigate to our website with all of the information you will need to practice these tricks at home too.

DIARY DATES

- **Return to school for the Spring term -** Thursday 4th January 2024 @ 08:35
- **Reception School tour** - Tuesday 9th January @ 14:15
- **SCARF workshop at school** - Thursday 11th & Friday 12th January
- **Final Reception School Tour** - Thursday 11th @ 10:00
- **Deadline to apply for Reception & Year 3 places** - Monday 15th January
- **NHS Wheeze clinic** - Monday 22nd January @ 09:00

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This week in early years, we have...

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This week, we have had lots of Christmas fun! We have enjoyed many Christmas crafts, including tissue paper Santas and tinsel Christmas trees. We have also enjoyed cutting and sticking from magazines to make our Christmas lists, as well as being Santa's elves and wrapping presents for each other!

On Wednesday we performed our Christmas carol concert and WOW! The children all did so well with their beautiful singing and remembering the actions too. Well done children! We hope you all enjoyed the concert and the festive biscuit decorating afterwards. 😊

We hope you all have a happy, safe Christmas and we look forward to welcoming you back in January.



REC

Tied in with our story of the week, **The Jolly Christmas Postman**, we're sure you'd agree that the children were amazing in their Christmas performance on Tuesday. The children have worked so hard to practise their lines and songs and remember where they should be!

This week we have learnt about the Christmas story and why Christians celebrate Christmas. The children enjoyed a Christmas lunch on Wednesday with crackers and jokes!

We all enjoyed a Christmas party on Friday to finish the week.

We have sent home many of the sounds and 'Harder to Read and Spell' words that the children have learnt this term. The children should be able to read and write these words and sounds. They could spend some time practising and reading over the holidays to help consolidate learning.

We hope you all have a lovely Christmas break and we look forward to seeing you in the new year!



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This week in KS1 we have...

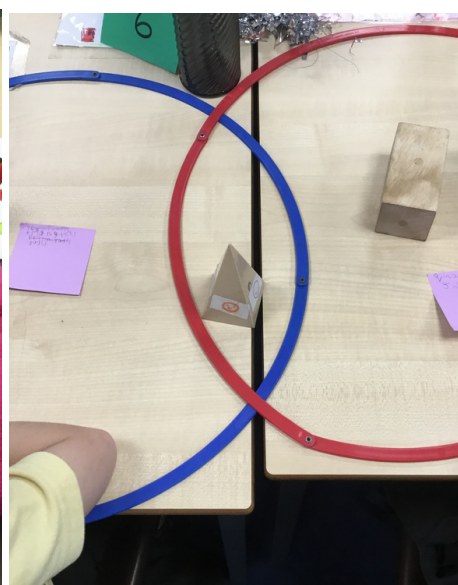
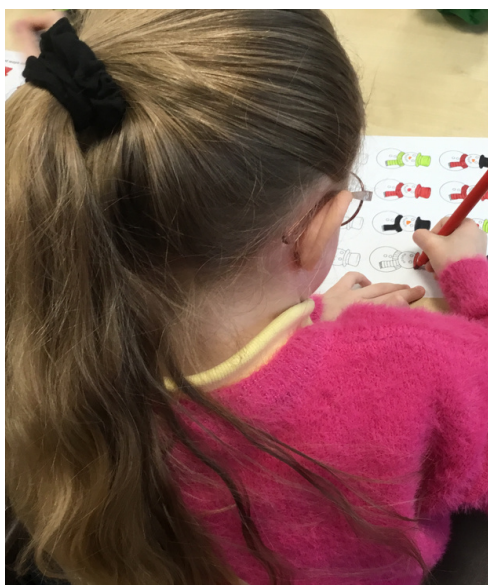
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What an incredible time we have had. The children have worked their little socks off and we are so proud of everything they have achieved in their first term in Year One. New friendships have blossomed, confidence has grown and a love of learning has flourished. Year One is the year that all of those foundations of learning fall into place. These last few weeks have been especially busy with all of the Christmas preparations and celebrations taking place. We saw a tear or two shed at the carol concert yesterday. Didn't they do well! To perform in unfamiliar surroundings in front of a huge audience is a massive ask, but each and every one of them succeeded and sang their little hearts out. The children enjoyed watching Reception's Christmas performance at the beginning of this week - lots of the children were reminded of the parts they played last year. The Christmas lunch was a huge success with laughter from the jokes in their crackers filling the hall. Aside from all of the Christmas excitement this week, we have also squeezed in quite a lot of learning! Our book of the week was **Stick Man** by Julia Donaldson. The children were writing about the journey of stick man. We wrapped up our history topic on toys which the children have thoroughly enjoyed and in maths we have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes and discussing their properties. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support this term. We are so thankful for our wonderful cards, gifts and well wishes. You have truly spoilt us. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy new year.



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What a jam-packed week. We thank you for all your efforts this term and look forward to Spring term. We practiced for our play and put on not just one performance but two - getting better each time. The children should feel proud of their hard work and dedication to their roles. This week we have written our delightful retelling of **The Snowman** using our vocabulary and plans from last week. In maths we have sorted 3D shapes by their properties and noticed and recreated patterns in 2D and 3D shapes. We continued to learn about how materials can be changed when forces are applied to them in our science topic, materials and their properties. In art we have completed and sealed our wonderful Clarice Cliff inspired clay mugs. We must remind you they are for decorative purposes only - **do not drink out of them**. Have a restful and merry holiday - see you next term!



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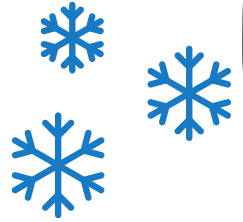
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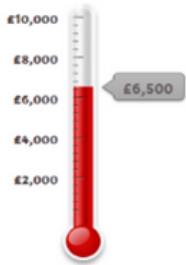


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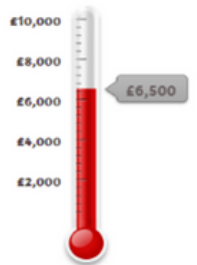
We've had a great term of Fundraising, thank you to everyone who has given up their time to make these events possible and to all of you who were able to participate.

This term's events were a pre-loved textiles collection, Fund Raisin', 2x Friday treats, Halloween colouring competition, Pupil designed Christmas cards, Christmas gifts and Year group Discos.



Your Fundraising has meant that the PTA has been able to provide the pupils with a special Elf visit, Christmas presents for the class, Christmas crackers and money towards the Little Treasure's pergola.

We are getting ever closer to our target for the new school iPads
If you would like to be involved in the planning and running of future PTA events please come along to our next meeting on Tuesday 9th January at 20:00pm.



Clubs @ CRI



Spanish Club, Wednesday Lunchtimes, 12.30-1.00pm

11 classes, Spring term, £55

Wednesday 10th January – Wednesday 27th March

Open to all KS1 pupils. Complete beginners welcome!

Click HERE to book!

Call 07548 906895

Email sara@bilinguasing.com

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Playball Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Playball Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Bilingua Sing Year 1 & 2 12.30pm – 1pm	Ultimate Coaching Year R Football 3pm - 4.15pm	Ultimate Coaching Year 1 & 2 Football 3pm - 4.15pm
Jam Coding Year 1 & 2 3pm – 4pm		Hotsteppers Dance Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Boogie Pumps Drama Year R, 1 & 2 3pm – 4pm	Genie Lab Year R, 1 & 2 3pm – 4pm
		Playball Year R & 1 3pm - 3.45pm		

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You may be interested in...

Christmas Reading Challenge

3 in a row

Read a Christmassy book with someone	Read a poem	Read a book that makes you laugh
Read next to your Christmas tree	Snuggle up and read in bed	Read your favourite book to someone
Read the lyrics to your favourite Christmas song	Read a non-fiction book	Draw or write your own Christmas story

Can you complete 3 challenges in a row over the holidays? Why not try to finish them all?

Winter Reading Challenge

3 in a row

Read a Wintery book with someone	Read a poem	Read a book that makes you laugh
Read in a reading den	Snuggle up and read in bed	Read your favourite book to someone
Read and make a recipe	Read a non-fiction book	Draw or write your own Wintery story

Can you complete 3 challenges in a row over the holidays? Why not try to finish them all?

Christmas Reading Challenge

4 in a row

Read a Christmassy book with someone	Read a poem	Read a book that makes you laugh	Snuggle up and read in bed
Read next to your Christmas tree	Read your favourite book to someone	Draw or write your own Christmas story	Read the lyrics to your favourite Christmas song
Read a non-fiction book	Read a non-fiction book	Read with a hot chocolate	Read a book about kindness
Read a book that has a snowman in it	Read a book about the meaning of Christmas	Read and make a recipe	Read whilst wearing your Christmas jumper

Can you complete 4 challenges in a row over the holidays? Why not try to finish them all?



Christmas Holiday Activities

Create a Christmas Village

21st December 2023
11-12:30pm or 2-3:30pm
Cost: £4 Age 4-12

Use mini cardboard houses to create a gingerbread-style Christmas village. Decorate with paints, gems and glitter.

Four and five year olds must be accompanied by an adult

Booking is essential
Book online at

<https://chertsey-museum.arttickets.org.uk> or
by phone: 01932 565 764



www.chertseymuseum.org/events
Call 01932 565764 to book your place



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You may be interested in...

Local Festive events

Aldershot – throughout the Town Centre

Christmas Cracker – incl Craft Market, light switch on, Petting farm, Birds of prey, Festive Donkeys, Circus skills, Lego building, Santa's Grotto.

www.rushmoor.gov.uk/community-parks-and-leisure/arts-and-events/aldershot-christmas-cracker

Bracknell – Lexicon centre

Christmas Twinkle trail – complete the trail leaflet and be entered into a prize draw

25th Nov – 7th Jan

Christmas Glow room – Interactive snowy trail leading to a glow room. Tickets from £3.50 - £3.95 pp

Book online at www.thelexiconbracknell.com/events/christmas-2023-glow-room

25th Nov – 2nd Jan

Camberley

Camberley Christmas Cracker – Free family fun day 10:00am – 4.00pm incl Children's business fair, free mini rides, free face painting, meet the Reindeer (11.00am – 3.00pm)

www.collectivelycamberley.co.uk/christmas-in-camberley

Santa's Post box – write your letter to Santa in The Square

Saturday 18th November

1st – 24th December

www.thesqcamberley.co.uk

Camberley's Christmas Reindeer Trial – pick up your free map and follow the clues to find them all.

1st-31st December

Santa's Grotto - £2 per child incl 50% donation to the Rotary Club of Camberley's Charities

2nd and 3rd December 11:00am – 4.00pm

16th – 24th December 11.00am – 4.00pm

www.thesqcamberley.co.uk

Woking

Write your letter to Santa 10.00am – 5.00pm

18th November – 17th December

Forgotten Toys Charity Donations 10.00am-5.00pm

18th November – 17th December

Meet Santa in his workshop 10.00am-5.00pm

25th – 26th November

2nd-3rd December

9th -10th December

16th – 24th December

www.vpwoking.co.uk/whats-on-this-christmas

This is by no means an exhaustive list – there are many more events going on in the smaller Towns and Villages of the area.

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