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NEWSLETTER



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Welcome to the first newsletter of December and our school is beginning to feel quite Christmassy!

We hope you've all read the Christmas Extra Newsetter that we published earlier this week but if not, you can find it, and any other communications from school, via [this link to the school website](#).

Don't forget, if you have something you'd like to add to our weekly newsletter, please email the details to Miss Bolwell in the school office: admin@woodborough.wilts.sch.uk.

In and around school and forthcoming festivities...

Christingle creativity...

By the end of the week all children will have assembled their own At Home Christingle Kits and should have brought them home (please check school bags).



We'd like to say a special thank you to our very own Christingle Elves (aka Mrs Gorvin, Mrs Needham and Oliver) who worked behind the scenes to measure pieces of ribbon and sort component parts ahead of the classroom assembly lines.

We hope our families will enjoy assembling the Christingles and might join in with the Vale of Pewsey Christingle Service being streamed live from John's Pewsey on 5th December at 4 pm via <https://valeofpewsey.org/>

Do send us photographs of your Christingle making and celebrating to photos@woodborough.wilts.sch.uk and we'll add them to our website gallery page.

Our Advent Book Adventure...

The season of Advent is being celebrated in school with a wonderful calendar of books.



Our brilliant Y6 Reader Leaders, Aidan and Leo, wrote a super letter to the Siobhan Dowd Trust, and we were one of just fourteen lucky primary schools to be awarded a grant of £300 to spend on making our very own advent book calendar.

Mrs Wren then enjoyed a book shopping spree through the White Horse Bookshop, Marlborough and purchased 24 brilliant new books with themes including: diversity, sustainability, kindness, friendship and respect—all of which link beautifully to our school values.

The books—all carefully wrapped in Christmas paper and displayed in the entrance hall—are being unwrapped by different classes and shared across the school via Teams, in special collective worship sessions each afternoon. Class feedback on the books will be added to a display around our school Christmas tree which is due to arrive early next week.

So far, Willow Class have unwrapped the 'Book of Hopes' by Katherine Rundell and Lime Class have opened 'Coming Home to England' by Floella Benjamin.

We look forward to sharing more advent book calendar news and photographs with you soon...



This term we are focussing across our school on the value of **TRUTHFULNESS**.

Learn more about this theme in [Mrs Needham's RE and CW newsletter](#).



Vale of Pewsey Churches

Click on the link above to read about worship in the Vale of Pewsey and find this week's **Sofa News** below:

[5th December](#)

Follow the link below to read advanced notice of the [Woodborough Christmas Tree Festival in aid of St Mary Magdalene Church, from 17th December...](#)



THANK YOU from our School Council...



Our recent multi day in support of BBC Children in Need raised an impressive £195.

Thank you to everyone for joining in and contributing.

Congratulations to this week (and last week's) ALWAYS CLUB tea party guests.

Their teachers chose them for the way they had demonstrated our school values this week and they joined us for milk shake, cake and chatter.

Very well done to: William, Alice, George & Max (YR), Albert, Luna, Temperance & Theo (Y1), Niamh, Millie, Arthur & Maxwell (Y2), Matilda, Elsa, Alfie & Nate (Y3), George, Inigo, Leighvi & Griff (Y4), Bertie, Oliver, Lauren & Lilly (Y5) and Aidan, Winnie, Ethan & Amelia (Y6). Thank you for your company! 😊

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To the following children who have celebrated their birthdays since our last newsletter and during this week:

- Charlie K (7)
- Imogen S-D (8)
- Nathan M (11)
- Bertie B (6)
- Freddie P (8)
- Thea (11)
- Willa (7)
- Jacob S (8)
- Hetty (6)
- Leo E (7)
- Aurora (6)



'Songs from the Shows' - Thursday 16th December...

In our [Christmas Newsletter](#) we asked you to save the date on 16th December, and this week we're excited to share our plans.



Thanks to the generosity of the Pewsey Carnival Committee, we have secured the use of one of their carnival floats to stage a couple special outdoor performances of some of the songs from our Key Stage 1 'Bundle of Joy' and KS2 Carol Service productions.

We'd like to invite parents of children in Oak, Sycamore and Maple Classes to join us between 5.30 and 6.00 pm and parents of pupils in Key Stage 2 to join us between 6.30 and 7.00 pm. *Class teachers will send details early next week of arrangements for children returning to school to perform.*

In accordance with [Public Health Wiltshire advice](#), we will be asking visitors to wear face coverings, observe social distancing measures and to take a Lateral Flow Device test shortly before the event.

Our PTA have kindly agreed to provide mulled wine and mince pies to add to the Christmassy feel of the evening. In order to assist with their catering calculations, they would be grateful if you would follow this link <https://woodborough.schoolcloud.co.uk/> to let them know how many people to expect.



Streets of Light Advent Trail...

Once again this year the [Vale of Pewsey Churches](#) are spreading comfort and joy by asking parishioners to decorate a window with an advent theme and light it up for everyone to see.

You can follow the link to see the different window displays as they open up on the [website calendar](#), or [download a map](#) and follow the trail for yourselves.

We'd like to say a special thank you to **Mrs Gorvin** and **Mrs Needham** who have masterminded our beautiful, stained glass whole school contribution to the Advent Trail, which is resplendent in the windows of the school hall.



Here is a reminder of the menu for the first week of Term 2. All lunches should be booked via School Gateway (£2.30 per meal for pupils in Cherry, Elm, Lime & Willow Classes).



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	Friday
Sausage Pasta Bake	Beef Burger	Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Beef Lasagne	Fishcakes
Creamy Cheese and Spinach Pasta Bake	Veggie Burger	Quorn Fillet, Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Quorn Lasagne	Cheese & Tomato Pinwheel
Jacket Potato with Choice of Filling	Cowboy Pie	Soup & a Roll	Veggie Burrito	Mexican Chicken & Rice
Garlic Bread, Carrots & Salad	Herby Diced Potatoes & Beans with Sweetcorn & Salad	Seasonal Vegetables	Garlic Bread, Green Beans & Salad	Wedges, Corn on the Cob, Baked Beans & Salad
Jelly & Cream or Fruit Salad	Apple Crumble & Custard or Fruit Salad	Angel Delight or Fruit Salad	Chocolate Chip Cookie or Fruit Salad	Chocolate Dipped Shortbread Biscuit or Fruit Salad