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NEWS FROM THIS WEEK



What a wonderful week it has been! As a parent and a teacher this is my favourite time of the year and the children

reminded me why again. On Wednesday we were treated to some Christmas magic by the children in EYFS and KS1. Their performances were captivating and such high quality. The audience commented the same. I am incredibly proud of the children and huge thanks to the staff team for such a wonderful performance. Most importantly they captured the real meaning of Christmas in their nativity. We would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Roberts for our wonderful Christmas lunch. Delicious!

CONGRATULATIONS FOR THE WEEK!



The following merit awards were given this week. Keep up the excellent work. We are very proud of you!

EYFS – The whole class for their wonderful performance

Key Stage 1 – Sophie

Key Stage 2 – Maddie

Presentation – Stanley & Jake

CLASS 2 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE

Please note that Class 2 will be doing their own class Christmas performance on Thursday 20th December at 9am at the Church. This will be in the form of a carol concert. We have invited all children and parents to stay and watch. A letter was sent with the details.

WOODLAND TRUST COMMUNITY EVENT –



TREE PLANTING

We were lucky to receive 400 saplings from the Woodland Trust recently and Miss Flowers organised a wonderful community event yesterday.



Thank you to all the families who joined us and to Miss Flowers for all her efforts. It's lovely that each and every family has a tree planted in the school. A huge thanks to Ben and Dennis for their advice and helping on the day and preparing areas for planting.





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GOVERNOR VISIT NEWS

We'd like to say thank you to Mrs Rachel Rugg-Gunn who visited us last week to look at Maths teaching in KS1 and 2. Mrs Rugg-Gunn is the Head of Maths at Presdales and we were delighted to hear her thoughts about our Maths provision. She spent some time in classes, spoke to teachers and children. I wanted to share with you some of the comments made in the pupil voice during her visit.

Maths is harder this year and more fun now and I'm still learning.

When we get stuck we keep on going, say "you can't do it yet, but we will carry on trying"

Work together on challenges and keep on trying!

Children are keen to do even more maths and it is a real focus for us as a school this year. In the spring term we will be supporting you even more with maths and more details to follow.

CAR PARK RESURFACING

We are delighted to let you know that our car park, paths and parts of the playground will be resurfaced over the holidays on **Thursday 3rd January**. All our thanks to Nicky Stracey for organising this through her company Volker Highways. And a thank you also to all the parents who are helping us get the grounds organised and ready for this. We are also working on replacing the existing fencing around the car park to make the site more secure and attractive. We will plan a formal thank you for Volker highways in the New Year and I hope many of you will be able to join us then.

P.E.KITS

The children will be bringing their p.e. kits home on Monday afternoon and do not need to bring them back until after the holiday, Monday 7th January.

SCHOOL BAGS

Children do not need to bring their school bags into school on Wednesday or Thursday.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

There are no clubs next week, they will resume w.c. Monday 14th January

SCHOOLS CLOSURE NOTIFICATION

Now that winter is here please sign up to the Everbridge Notification System, link below, so that we can contact you as soon as possible if the school closes due to bad weather.

member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725489

EASYFUNDRAISING – FRIENDS – CHRISTMAS SHOPPING TIME!!

You can buy absolutely everything you need for an action-packed week through easyfundraising. Whether you're planning a last-minute sunshine holiday, a cosy UK cottage stay or a fun family theme park day, you'll find a great deal through easyfundraising and help raise donations for Wareside C of E School, too!

<https://easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/waresidecofesch/>

SCHOOL TRENDS UNIFORM

The school uniform cut-off has been extended to Wednesday 9th January.

PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

The application process for a child's place in the Reception Class for September 2019 opened on Monday 5th November. Please go to the following website to for information and to apply.

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions

The closing date is Tuesday 15th January



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REMINDERS AND DATES

Tuesday 18th December – Class 2 join Age UK at a Carol Service in Hertford (All Saint's Church)

Wednesday 19th December –
Class 2 rehearsal at Wareside Church, walking to Church and returning to school at 9.30am
Pantomime – Pinocchio at the Hertford Theatre (afternoon) Parents to collect from Hertford Theatre. We advise parking in the Sainsbury's car park.

Thursday 20th December – *Class 2 Christmas Service at Holy Trinity Church, all children meet at the Church at 8.50am. All parents invited to stay and celebrate.*

Term Ends at 1:30 pm

Friday 21st December – Occasional Day – school closed

School begins on Monday 7th January for all children

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