



TERM DATES

12-13.12.17 KS2 Production, 2pm
 15.12.17 Wear Christmas jumpers and Christmas dinner, hall
 18.12.17 Carol Service, 6pm, St John's
 19.12.17 Stories Round Tree, 6:45pm
 20.12.17 1:30 dismissal
 4.1.18 Term 3 starts
 15.1.18 Pray for Schools, Grace Cottage, 100 Bow Rd. 10:30am.

EARLY DISMISSAL: 20TH DEC at 1:30

If you need the Walking Bus for your child, please check the email from Moira Atkinson or pop into the office for further details.

TERM DATES 2017-2018

Term 2 31.10.17 - 20.12.17
 Term 3 4.1.18 - 9.2.18
 Term 4 19.2.18 - 29.3.18
 Term 5 16.4.18 - 25.5.18
 Term 6 4.6.18 - 20.7.18
Holidays should not be taken in term time. School matters.

News Flash!



Cool science at school!

Miss Woodhouse's fabulous science afternoon this week kicked off with a super science show before engaging every child in a science or engineering activity. At least half the school now want to be scientists or engineers - and that has to be a good thing!

Our Ofsted report features in this week's Kent Messenger (Tonbridge & Malling edition) as well as the Christmas Fayre and our stunning Christmas Grotto which was once again designed by parent artist Corinne Mulcahy and ably supported by many parent helpers. Thank you!

£2 for 2Pantos, please! See my letter for details.

Dear parents, **Our Reception Class nativity and Year 1 and 2** Christmas productions were performed this week to full houses. The children sang beautifully, spoke clearly, danced like angels and gave us a wonderful show! The development from Reception to Year 2 is noticeable and these stage experiences give our children so much confidence. We are looking forward to the Key Stage 2 production next week when each of the four classes perform a scene within a larger story. Be sure to request your tickets if you haven't already.

Reception Class and nativity magic



Shine, Star, Shine! Years 1 & 2



As Christmas is on everyone's minds, (especially the children's!), I'd like to remind you about our link with the book website, Wordery. The school has partnered with wordery.com to create an online bookshop. This offers access to 1000s of books. In particular, it gives recommendations for all key stages and year groups. This site entitles families to buy one book and get a 10% discount on everything else in their shopping basket. Simply use the code WATERINGBURY10. Furthermore, every purchase earns the school points which it can use to save money when purchasing books. These points are worth 5% of the value of sales made through the shop. Delivery on all items is free. Please visit the website www.wordery.com/schools/wateringbury. A flyer is attached with the newsletter. Give a book or two this Christmas!

The Christmas Fayre was a great success last Sunday. It raised over £2000 but, more importantly, was a wonderful celebration of Christmas activities, treats and community spirit. Thank you to FOWPS for all their hard work to pull it off-once again! It ran without a hitch and, as always, the Christmas Grotto was a sell-out. Our humdrum Zone was transformed into the Polar Express bedroom and as the children stepped from the Zone into the marquee, they were transported to the North Pole.

Finally, we are lucky to be having not one, but two, pantomimes this year (oh, yes we are!). Please send in your child with **£2 for 2Pantos** this week so we can make a generous donation to the two Christian charitable organisations which support us throughout the year with worship, assemblies and special events.

Yours sincerely, *Chasey Crawford Usher*
 Chasey Crawford Usher, Headteacher

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Christmas Celebrations



The Polar Express 'Zone'!



Pink Class shine on stage!

Our Pink Class shepherd brings her sheep to Bethlehem



Christingle candles light the hall.



CHURCH, SCHOOL and WORSHIP

Our Christian value for this term is PEACE

We celebrated **Christingle** this week with 200 candles safely lit in oranges, illuminating each child's face. Thank you to Miss Woodhouse for leading this beautiful service which, I'm sure, will become a tradition. **Our annual Christmas Carol Service** is on Monday 18th December, 6pm. Children to arrive in school uniform from 5:45pm, thank you.

SPORTS NEWS



Wateringbury School Football Team delighted families and supporters on Monday when they played host to Yalding Primary and won with a medley of goals.

Special mention has to go to players Lilly, Freya and Billy. All three made their debut for the school team and played brilliantly. Well done! Felix, Jacob, Lois and Oliver - thank you for mentoring our new players; your enthusiasm, ability and performances on Monday were exceptional and you are excellent role models.

Lastly, our younger players - James, Sullivan and Kieron - continue to prove their place in the squad is well deserved and all three scored fantastic individual goals too. Congratulations.

In other football news, Wateringbury School and Larkfield FC Ladies Section are working together to provide our newly formed girls' team with a training/match night in the New Year. Additionally, Maidstone United has invited Wateringbury to enter the NLT U11 Competition this season. For the first time the tournament has grown to allow for girls' teams to compete independently in their own league. Teams will have a chance to reach the regional finals and possibly win a place at Wembley to play in the National League play off final in May 2018.

I'm pleased to announce Wateringbury School has registered one girls' and one boys' team for the event.

Finally, a BIG thank you to Classes 5 and 6 for working so hard in Football PE lessons this term. Wateringbury School undoubtedly has very talented and sporty pupils.

In the second Netball fixture of the year, our Wateringbury Team staged a momentous game against Yalding Primary. The team battled hard and narrowly missed out on a win. There was some great team playing!

Many congratulations to Emily, Ella, Macey, Daniel, Neve, Katherine and Tillie. Your commitment to every match and training session is outstanding. Merry Christmas!
Suzanne Parr, School Development Coach