

Parent/Carer Newsletter





"It's not the load that breaks you down, it's the way you carry it." - Lou Holtz

Key Dates for Parents/Carers

Monday 13th December - Year 4 parent timetables support (3.45pm - 4.15pm virtual meeting)

Tuesday 14th December - Year 1 trip to the Church

Wednesday 15th December - Choir performance for parents after school

Thursday 16th December - Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch

Friday 17th December - Whole School Assembly

Friday 17th December - Last Day of Term (staggered finish - see details below)

Important Information

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have reached the final week of school! It's been an extremely busy term with our Parent Book Looks, Parent Consultations, Art Week and a whole load more.

In regards to the last day, there are some important bits of information that I need to convey to you all...

The pick-up times for the last day are as follows:

Reception:

• 12.10pm

Years 1 - 6:

- A F: 12.15pm 12.20pm
- G L: 12.20pm 12.25pm
- M R: 12.25pm 12.30pm
- S Z (and late comers): 12.30pm 12.35pm

COVID

After careful consideration and discussions with the Health & Safety Team, we have made the decision to cancel the Reception and Nursery Nativities. We, like you, feel disappointed that we cannot go ahead with this, but we have done really well to keep the number of cases down, we do not want to risk an increase now. We feel; given the current circumstances with the new





Omicron variant spreading, that it is not feasible and safe to have children and teachers mixing in enclosed settings where contact is very close.

Healthy Eating Hero- January 2022

As we embark on a new year, we will start as we mean to go on therefore, our monthly focus for January will be 'Healthy Eating'. During this month, we will be again reinforcing our healthy eating policy and encouraging pupils to think about how the nutrients we put into our body help to fight against all the bad stuff like disease, bacteria and illness. We are very grateful for your support in ensuring that the pupils will have a healthy meal in school. At home, I hope that they cut down on the amount of fatty and sugary foods.

This work will be linked to our work on daily skipping and practicing mindfulness and Yoga. Our core aim is to have children who are healthy in body, mind and soul. We know that nutrition, exercise and positive thinking plays a pinnacle role in this. Which is why we nurture these aspects within our curriculum, vision and key principles. Parental support is key in this as working as a partnership with us will enable behaviours to become habitual. Please read our Healthy Eating policy and guidance on our website.

We will be hosting recipe ideas workshops for parents as well as a parent session from our MHST which will support parents in understanding more about mindfulness and how best to support children when they are feeling anxious.



Christmas Hampers

The Christmas hampers will be delivered by the Prefects tomorrow morning, the pupils have written a message to go inside each one. Thank you again for your donations! (3)











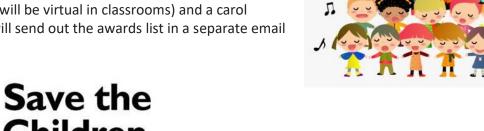






A reminder that the choir will be singing outside the school on Wednesday and raising money for Save the Children. Please give them space to stand and avoid getting too close. Then, on Friday we will be having a whole school awards assembly (this will be virtual in classrooms) and a carol concert. We will send out the awards list in a separate email on Friday.









I may have forgotten to include this previously but congratulation to Miss Brian who had a baby boy and Mrs Kobayashi who gave birth to a healthy little boy too. Just one more to go, Mrs Younis is due any time now.

Finally, it has been a busy term with much achieved. Despite the growing concerns around Covid, we have managed to keep our numbers quite low. Our pupils have made exceptional progress in their work, with teachers ensuring that the pupils receive the right support and the right time. The Senior Leadership Team have been heavily involved in teaching and learning, this has enabled us to see first-hand the gaps pupils have and supporting our teachers in closing them.

Everybody in the school; both staff and children, have worked so hard this term - I could not have asked for more. I would like to take this opportunity to thank teachers, office staff, parents/carers and pupils for the non-stop effort they have made.

Merry Christmas, Happy holidays and happy new year! See you all in 2022

Warm Regards,
Miss Mehat and the Wexham Court Primary School Team





Messages & Reminders

Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch

Reminder - It is Christmas Jumper day (non-uniform) and Christmas Lunch on Thursday 16th December. We would love to see as many children as possible wearing their lovely, colourful, festive Christmas Jumpers to get into the Christmas spirit!!! Please remember to bring in £1 - all money will be donated to Save the Children.

Miss Shafiq







Awards & Honours

HOUSEPOINTS

| LICADO LOT | | |
|----------------|--------|-----------------|
| House Name | Points | Ranking |
| Copper Beech | 3048 | 2 nd |
| Horse Chestnut | 3023 | 3 rd |
| Majestic Oak | 3048 | 1st |
| Sycamore | 2838 | 4 th |

MATHLETICS

| 1st | 2 nd | 3 rd |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| South Africa | Egypt | Spain |
| Lets Improve | Brazil | |
| Top Scorer | Sagan Egypt | |





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| | EARLY YEARS |
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| Morning Nursery | Leon for having a more positive start to his nursery session and becoming more independent. |
| Afternoon Nursery | Rayyan for confidently knowing his Phonics sounds |
| England | Tasmina for good listening skills, showing she is ready to learn and excellent singing. |
| Scotland | Aleena for having a positive attitude towards her learning and independently writing sentences. |
| Wales | Ayva for showing kindness towards her class and always being ready, respectful and safe. |

STARS OF THE WEEK

| | LOWER PRIMARY | | |
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| Si Si | ain Sahibdeep for working hard on his presentation and checking his work carefully. | | |
| Pol | and Zayn for working really hard on his story innovation. | | |
| Ī | Mika'il for trying his best to write his own story. | | |
| # # | Hadiyah for excellent contributions in class and pushing herself to extend her writing in English and enquiry. | | |
| Austr | Gursehaj for her progress in writing and for being a role model to the class. | | |
| + To | ga Harun for his exceptional behaviour for learning in Maths, he is always striving for excellence. | | |
| is Eg | Pt Arnav for having a positive attitude towards his learning and trying hard to edit and redraft his adventure story to make improvements. | | |
| ₩ Ethik | Safa for putting effort into her work and taking part in the class discussions. | | |
| South Af | ica Noor for being really respectful towards others and helpful in class. | | |





STARS OF THE WEEK

| UPPER PRIMARY | | | | |
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| | Cuba | Jaiveer for working hard to improve his handwriting and putting in maximum effort in his story innovation. | | |
| * | Canada | Insivah for her consistency in effort across all subjects and for being a great role model to her peers. | | |
| 3 | Wexico | Shabbar for his positive attitude towards learning and increased contribution to class discussion. | | |
| (| Brazil | Alexis for providing brilliant contributions in all classroom discussions this week. | | |
| 0 | Argentina | Jacy for her great effort during the maths lessons and having resilience when learning about fractions. | | |
| 章 | Peru | Rayyan for the hard work he has put in throughout this term to internalising the model text and improving his writing skills. | | |
| | Sri Lanka | Hibba for working hard to project her voice this week and performing a poem with confidence. | | |
| 1 | Chima | Eldrich for his dedication to producing an excellent art week outcome and talking confidently about the purpose of pots in Ancient Greece. | | |
| | Philippines | Aleeza for always working hard in all subjects and for continuously demonstrating fantastic manners and a positive attitude! She is a great role model to all. | | |





<u>Clubs & Activities</u>

SLOUGH FOOTBALL COACHING COURSE

AT ST BERNARD'S CATHOLIC GRAMMAR SCHOOL

1, LANGLEY ROAD, SLOUGH SL3 7AF

STARTING: TUESDAY 11th JANUARY 2022

TUESDAYS: Group 1: School Years Reception & year 1......5.30pm – 6.30pm

Dear Parents

I am pleased to inform you that, due to the huge success of our soccer courses over the last **22 years** we are following up the Soccer Coaching programme for the season starting in January 2022. The course will run for approximately 12 weeks and the programme is for boys & girls aged between 4 and 12.

About our Course

- The unique practice techniques are specifically designed to work with children of all abilities, ranging from the absolute beginner to the more advanced player.
- The course is run by F.A qualified coaches, who are DBS checked, and hold an advanced premier skills qualification, they are currently working with children, enabling them to learn essential soccer techniques, together with a 'FUN' element, building CONFIDENCE and improving FITNESS.
- Professional goals are used in all groups for shooting practice and small sided games.
- It is an indoor course held in the sports hall, therefore children should wear trainers.
- Ex Premier League Birmingham City, West Brom and Fulham player Geoff Horsfield
 quotes, "I've coached on these courses with the team and they are fantastic in the way
 they deliver their coaching sessions!"
- Ex England World Cup star and Sky Sports pundit Paul Merson quotes, "I have presented trophies to the children on these courses and it's great to see the smiles on their faces and sense of achievement!"

Presentation of trophies and awards

- On the final week of the course we hold a presentation, whereby EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE AN ENGRAVED TROPHY.
- Children also have a chance to win many other special individual awards and trophies for various skills, including 'F.A cup tournament' and 'penalty shoot out' competitions.
- Parents and friends are most welcome to attend the presentation and watch the children being presented with their awards, as this encourages a fantastic atmosphere.
- The cost of the course is £7.00 per week; payment is made every 4 weeks with the first payment of £28.00 due on week 1.
- Please Note: Places are limited; therefore, bookings will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Mark Frith (course coordinator) www.prosoccercoachinguk.com

TO RESERVE PLACES PLEASE TEXT: SLOUGH + CHILD'S NAME + AGE + GROUP NO. (1, 2 or 3)

and receive confirmation by text to:

07586 933 609







Powerleague Tournaments Xmas Holidays Junior 5 a side 20-23 December 10:30am-2:30pm

Powerleague, Slough & Eton School, Ragstone Road, Slough, SL1 2PU
FREE 5 A SIDE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS
Slough school kids age 11-16 boys and girls.
No need to be part of a team, just register, turn up and play.
Or turn up with your friends and play as a team.

It's all about getting involved.

To register go to www.sportsinc.org.uk and click the sign up button to fill out the registration form. spot. Healthy Hot Lunch and snacks available each day. Make sure to use your HAF number if you have one.



For more information

Email: info@sportsinc.org.uk











What is the HAF Scheme?

The HAF (Holiday Activities and Food)
Scheme is a government funded programme
to provide activities and nutritious food to
children entitled to benefit related term-time
free school meals.

Children who receive benefit related free school meals are invited to attend one of our HAF venues over the Winter Holidays absolutely free. All you need to do is book their space and attend the sessions you have selected.

How to book

- Visit www.getactivesports.com and register yourself and your child(ren) if your new to Get Active. Sign in with usual logins if you have used us before.
- 2 Select your nearest venue and view live availability.
- 3 Select the days and session times required.

If you need any help with your booking please call us on 01344 860868



20th - 23rd December

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Get Active

READING

Meadow Park Academy - Reading, RG30 6BS HAF Full: 9am-6pm £29.95 Half: 9am-3:30pm £26.95

Prospect Park - Reading, RG30 4EX HAF Full: 9am-6pm £29.95 Half: 9am-3:30pm £26.95

WOKINGHAM

Willowbank Primary - Reading RG5 4RW HAF Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95

Radstock Primary - Reading, RG6 5UZ HAF Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95

Hillside Primary - Reading RG6 4HQ HAF Half Only: 9am-3:00pm £26.95

Shinfield Junior School - Reading, RG2 9EJ HAF Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95

Robert Piggott Infant- Wargrave, RG10 8ED HAF Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95

SLOUGH

Priory Primary - Slough, SL1 6HE Half Only: 9am-1pm £19.95 HAF

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Winter Venues

BUCKS

Beechview Academy - High Wycombe, HP13 7NT Full: 9am-6pm £29.95 Half: 9am-3:30pm £26.95

Lent Rise School - Slough, SL1 7NP
Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95

Great Missenden School - Great Miss, HP16 0AZ Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95

OXFORDSHIRE

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Didcot Academy - Didcot, OX11 6DP Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95

WEST BERKS

Thatcham Park Primary - Thatcham, RG18 4NP Half Only: 9:30am-3:30pm £26.95

St Nicholas CofE Junior - Newbury, RG147LU HAF Half Only: 10am-2pm £19.95

BRACKNELL

Wildridings Primary - Bracknell RG12 7DX HAF Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95

Jennetts Park - Bracknell, RG12 8EB
Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95

Holly Spring Primary - Bracknell RG12 2SW HAF Full: 9am - 5pm £27.95

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HILLINGDON

Hillingdon Leisure Centre - Uxbridge, UB8 1ES Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95

HAMPSHIRE

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Winklebury School - Basingstoke RG23 8AF Full: 9am-6pm £29.95 Half: 9am-3:30pm £26.95

Southwood Infant - Famborough, GU14 0NE Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95

MARLOW

Redgrave Leisure Centre - Marlow SL7 1JE Full: 8am-6pm £29.95 Half: 8am-3:30pm £26.95



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You are welcome to book up to up to 2 full days at one of our completely free venues. A nutritious hot meal will be included as part of the scheme. Please only select one time slot.

We offer arts and crafts, sports and team games, winter wonderland party, talent shows, music, dancing and much more!

Benefit related free school meals*
For example if you receive Universal Credits,
Income support etc the council will contact you
to let you know your entitlement. This scheme
does not cover children who receive free school
meals based on their year group alone.



Over 20 locations across South England

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From all the staff here at Wexham Court Primary School...

