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**Newsletter No. 4 - 4th December 2020**

**Dear Parents, Carers and Children,**

The time has flown by and November seems to have disappeared in a blink of an eye. We are excited to be starting the festive period which is a special time of year.

Due to the current restrictions we are sad that we are unable to present our traditional whole school Christmas production. However we are pleased that each class will be producing a Christmas play to parents as a virtual audience. The rehearsals are going well and the children are looking forward to sharing their play with you.

This year we are also planning some alternative activities which we are able to organise within the guidelines. These include Christmas Pottery Decorating, Cinderella Panto Online, PTA Christmas Raffle, Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Treat Day.

I would like to welcome Miss Ashlea Perry to our team. Miss Perry has joined Y1 this week to complete her teacher training.

**Christmas Plays**

You will have received the Zoom invitations for your child(ren)'s Christmas play via email. This information is for your use only however we are happy for you to share the login with Grandparents. As always, please can we ask that you do not record the performance. We are an inclusive school and there are some children who cannot be filmed/recorded. Thank you for your understanding.



**School Christmas Raffle**



Just a reminder that you can now buy tickets here at £1 a ticket and winners will be drawn on 14th December. We have some fabulous prizes including champagne, a Paul Wilkinson photoshoot and print, vouchers for Smyths Toystore, The Butchery Box, Bradmore Carvery and the Harrow in Bishopstone, one month gym membership at The Garage in Haddenham, Prosecco and Chocolate Hampers, a sweet hamper and much more.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1jMk0e-5YB1MHCM2BMcUJDWVGJ2WL3PQrtPggJCdltWM>

You can drop off your donated items in the box near the main entrance at pick-up this week, hand in at WASPs at pick up or directly to Julia at 29 Printers Piece. Thank you!



**Christmas Hampers**



All donations to our hampers, which will be included in the prizes, would be very welcome. Here is the list of what we're looking for. [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1YlfeoxWB\\_H1-KKb5aK5Yk0XvfNMqk5yCQ6q9d6yzmA8/edit](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1YlfeoxWB_H1-KKb5aK5Yk0XvfNMqk5yCQ6q9d6yzmA8/edit)

**Christmas Jumper Day**

On Friday 18th December, the last day of term, the PTA are organising a Christmas Jumper Day when children can come to school wearing their favourite festive jumper/top in exchange for a £1 donation. This day will be a full mufti day.



## **News, Views and Celebrations**

### **Waddesdon Manor—'When You Wish Upon A Star Trail'**

"This year HCIS have been thrilled to be able to contribute to Waddesdon Manor's Christmas displays, by being part of the 'When you wish Upon A Star trail'.

Earlier this month, each class took part in a virtual session with the Education Team at Waddesdon Manor. Afterwards, the children thought and talked about their individual wishes and then each created a star in their class.

The children's wishes were then passed on to Waddesdon, who then engraved them on metal stars which will be included as part of the display along the trail in their grounds.

Attached are some photographs of the lovely artwork we have created here in school, and also a link to the Waddesdon site where, if you wish, you can book to visit and see your child's wish on display.

[Buy tickets \(seetickets.com\)](https://www.seetickets.com)



### **Parent and Children Questionnaire**

Thank you returning our recent parent questionnaire. The results of the November questionnaire are displayed on our website for your to view [Click here.](#)

### **Parent Forum**

This week was our Parent Forum meeting. Thank you for your feedback and comments which are important to us. We really appreciate any feedback so that we can improve what we do here. Here is a review of what was discussed.

### **Being in School**

You have told us that the children are 'enjoying school and a big thanks to all staff who are doing a great job' which is lovely to hear.

### **Lunches**

The return of hot dinners has been welcomed by you. Parents have asked if jacket potatoes could be served twice a week. In the past we have received mixed feedback about the frequency that jackets are on the weekly menu. At the moment jacket potatoes will be an option for once a week. Princes Risborough hub, our lunch provider has been taken over by a new company, Aspens, and from January you may see a slight change in our weekly menu. We are excited about the new menu options and the change this will bring.

### **School Clubs**

Due to the current restrictions we are unable to offer school clubs for the time being. We will review this in the new year in line with Government guidelines. For the time being we are able to offer WASPS breakfast, after school and holiday club which is in line with current guidance for childcare.

### **Christmas Production**

There was overwhelming gratitude for organising class Christmas plays. We were pleased to be able to find a way to produce a performance for the children to share with you at this special time of year.



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### **Remembrance**

Thank you so much for supporting this charitable cause. Our lady who provides the poppies for us was extremely grateful. You can see of our remembrance display boards on our website.

### **Children in Need— Change Young Lives**

You have been very generous in supporting Children in Need once again this year. The children came to school wearing spots and joined in with the Joe Wicks PE session. We raised £76.80. Thank you for your support.

Best wishes

Lucy McNeil