



# Newsletter

## 29th November



### Christmas Dinner

The Christmas Dinner will be on Wednesday 11th December and the menu will be:

Roast Turkey with all the trimmings  
or  
Mushroom & Cranberry Wellington  
(vegetarian option)

Christmas Pudding & Vanilla Sauce  
Or Mince Pie & Cream or  
Chocolate Ice Cream Roll

If you want your child to have a Christmas dinner, you must book through the School Gateway app, it will be the usual school dinner price of £2.30.

Even if your child receives a free school meal or is in years R-2, you must still book on the app (you do not need to pay, just book)

### Visits to Father Christmas

The elves have been hard at work building Father Christmas' grotto, ready for him to visit next Friday 6th December. Book your visit to see him on the afternoon of the Christmas Fair at Reception now! All children who see him will receive a present and it costs £2 per child. Spaces fill up quickly so be sure to book in advance– you will not be able to turn up on the day to see him!



### Tag Day

#### Tuesday 3rd December

There is a Tag Day on Tuesday 3rd December for donations to the bottle tombola, any bottles can be donated, such as drinks and toiletries.

# Early Years Stay and Play Monday 2nd December

On Monday 2nd December from 2:30pm, parents of children in Year R are invited in to the classroom for a stay and play session. A flyer has been sent home with all the details, we hope you can make it!



# Christmas Bingo Night Monday 16th December

The school council are holding a Christmas bingo night for charity, after school on Monday 16th December. It will be £1 entry which includes



the first game and refreshments. Extra games will be £1, play as many games as you like!



# Whinless Down Academy Trust News

On Thursday 28th November, WDAT took part in their first district football competition - The National Trust U11 Cup - against other schools in the area at the new Leisure Centre. The girls played two matches against Temple Ewell and White Cliffs, both of whom had established girls football teams. The girls sadly lost both their games but enjoyed every minute of the event. They really developed their positional play and worked well together. They are looking forward to playing more games.

The boys started slowly and took a while to gel as a team. They lost their first game to River but in the second game, they started to develop an understanding of each other and played out a hugely entertaining draw with Whitfield & Aspen. In their final game they easily beat Cartwright & Kelsey, showing their determination and how quickly they had learnt to collaborate.

Both teams represented the Trust with pride and were a credit to us all.

## Carol Concert Thursday 5th December

The carol concert is taking place at Charlton Church on Thursday 5th December at 6pm, all families are welcome to attend.



## Raffle Tickets for the Christmas Fair

Children have now been given 2 raffle ticket books, if you would like to purchase the tickets please bring them to reception with your details filled out, they cost £1 for a book of 5 tickets. Prizes include £50 cash, spirits, vouchers and plenty more!

If you would like to buy tickets for the shopping trolley raffle, you can also buy them at Reception for £1 per ticket.

## Photo Permission Forms

We have re-issued the photographic permission forms for parents to fill out, please return them as soon as possible.



## Hot chocolate Friday Win- ners

Well done to our hot chocolate winners this week.

Our hot chocolate winners are children who have had a great week in their learning, behaviour and attendance.

# 2019-20 Academic year:

**Term 1:** Tuesday 3rd September to Friday 18th October

**October Half Term:** Monday 21st October to Friday 25th October

**Term 2:** Monday 28th October to Tuesday 17th December

**Christmas Holiday:** Wednesday 18th December to Friday 3rd January

**Term 3:** Monday 6th January to Friday 14th February

**February Half Term:** Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February

**Term 4:** Monday 24th February to Wednesday 1st April

**Easter Holiday:** Thursday 2nd April to Wednesday 15th April

**Term 5:** Thursday 16th April to Friday 22nd May

**May Half Term:** Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May

**Term 6:** Monday 1st June to Friday 17th July

**Last day of term:** Friday 17th July

## Upcoming Dates

Tuesday 3rd December– Tag Day Bottle Donations

Thursday 5th December– Carol Concert

Friday 6th December– Christmas Fair

Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th December– EY and KS1 Production

Wednesday 11th December– Christmas Dinner

Monday 16th December– Christmas Parties (in school)

Monday 16th December– Bingo Night (after school)