



Ford End C of E Primary School Newsletter

Hope and a Future.



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Courageous optimism

Boundless creativity

Heartfelt compassion

Dear Parents,

It has been another busy week in school! On Tuesday, our Life Ambassadors, Ellie and Mila-Lily, met virtually with the other LIFE Ambassadors. They discussed ideas for childrens' Mental Health week which is going to be held from 5th-11th February 2024. You can find out more details at

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

On Wednesday, the children in 5/6 did us proud when they travelled to Leez Priory to sing carols to the Felsted Friendship Group. Bridget said, *"We got to chat to the elderly people which was a lot of fun. They said how great our singing was and we complimented them on theirs. They gave us all a selection box from them to say thank you."*

Yesterday, we had our first Reindeer Run to raise vital funds for Farleigh Hospice. We had a lot of fun, despite the cold, and the event was really well supported. We collected donation on the day of **£226.35**. If you have more sponsorship money to hand in, please take this to the office by Friday 15th December. The money raised will help the Farleigh doctors, nurses, therapists and counsellors to continue to support local people in their time of greatest need. They also support children and young adults from 4 to 18 years of age through our Yo-Yo project, once again providing 1 to 1 support and counselling. We also offer art therapy, outdoor activity days, and workshops for parents and carers.

We look forward to welcoming you all to the PTA Christmas Fayre at 2pm today. We will begin with some carols in the hall before the fete is officially opened! Please do come and join us! The back gate will be kept open from 1.55pm. **Your child's class teacher will have a class list. When you arrive and are taking your child/children, please let their child's teacher know so that we can tick them off and we will no longer be responsible for them. Miss Bailey will take all the children who are not attending the fete, to the back gate at 2.30pm.**

We are sad to announce that Mrs Burton, our Forest School leader, is leaving at Christmas. We will start the process of training and recruiting a replacement in the new year. We will be in touch when Forest Schools resumes again.

Finally, please don't forget hats, gloves, scarves and a warm coat for all the children!

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs M Taylor (Executive Headteacher, BA Hons, PGCE, NPQSL) &
Miss J Bailey (Head of School, BA Hons, PGCE)

Term Dates

11th Dec: One Plan meetings (date 2)
11th Dec: Last KS2 boys' football coaching
13th Dec: EYFS & KS1 Nativity 2.00pm & 6.00pm
13th Dec: Last KS2 girls' football coaching
14th Dec: Whole school trip to panto at Chelmsford Civic Theatre
14th Dec: Two Johns Internet Safety Talk at Roxwell School 6pm
15th & 18th Dec: PTA Secret Santa
19th Dec: Class party games (am)
19th Dec: Christmas dinner day
19th Dec: Whole school disco (pm)
20th Dec: Church Service 2.00pm—parents can take home from the Church
20th Dec: Last day of Autumn Term
4th & 5th Jan: INSET days
8th Jan: Children return
8th Jan: First KS2 boys' football coaching
10th Jan: First KS2 girls' football coaching
12th Jan: Trumpet lessons begin for Years 3/4
18th Jan: KS2 SATs information session for parents 2.30pm
23rd Jan: Head Prefect meeting at Roxwell 1.30pm
25th Jan: Cross Country race 3 (selected children)
26th Jan: PTA 'Sleepover' 5.00-7.00pm
2nd Feb: NSPCC Number Day
12th Feb: Parents' Evening
15th Feb: Year 3-4 Class Assembly
7th March: World Book Day
8th March: PTA 'Women We Love' event
18th March: Year 3/4 visit to British Museum
28th March: PTA Easter Egg hunt
18th April: Year 1-2 class assembly
13th-16th May: KS2 SATs
3rd June: INSET day
4th June: Times Tables Check (Year 4)
4th June: Class photos
10th June: Yr 1 Phonics Screening Check
14th June: PTA Dads' bacon rolls & cuppa
17th June: Schools Gotta Dance
23rd July: Last day of term



Awards:

Star Of The Week: Cara, Marley, Buddy, Ellie

Reader Of The Week: Florence A, Harry, Stanley, Dana

Golden Work: Taylor, Adam, Lillian, Rory

Headteacher's Cup: Alfred

Housepoints:

Ash: 103

Chestnut: 84

Oak: 75

Willow: 64

