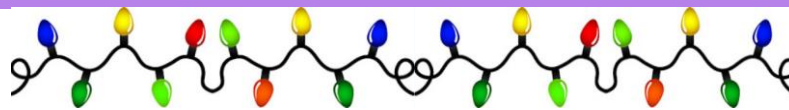


3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021



It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!

Just a reminder of all the exciting events happening over the next two weeks.

### Rainbow Christmas Hampers

Please keep sending the donations in for the Christmas Hampers. All classes/year groups have been allocated with a colour and we would welcome any donations for the hampers so that they can be raffled at the Fair. The hampers need to be ready by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

Raffle tickets will cost £1 and we ask children to donate items in the colour of the hamper.

Nursery	Red		Year 3	Silver
Reception	Gold		Year 4	Yellow
Year 1	Purple		Year 5	Blue
Year 2	Green		Year 6	Multi-coloured

### Christmas Lunch

A reminder that children will be served Christmas lunch on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at both schools of the Federation.

### Christmas Jumper Day: Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Jumper Day - bring £1. The money will be split between Save the Children and the federation Parent Teacher Association (PTA) fund raising.

## Term Dates

**Last day of Autumn Term:**  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

**Inset Day - School Closed**  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**First day of Spring Term**  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021

**Spring Half Term**  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2022

**Last day of Spring Term**  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022

**First day of Summer Term**  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022

**Summer Half Term**  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2022

**Last day of Summer Term**  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

### Surprise Room: Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

As mentioned last week, we will be operating the Surprise Room to give all children the opportunity to purchase up to two presents for their adults at home. Each present costs £1.50 (maximum of two gifts £3.00).

### Community Christmas Fair

The Community Christmas Fair will take place at Trumpington Meadows school on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December (6pm- 8pm). We would love to see the community during this event. Staff from the Federation are going to run a stall at the fair - this will involve selling tickets for the Rainbow Hampers and also selling some other hand sewn goodies which have been kindly donated to us.

### Christmas Performances

Staff and children are working hard practising Christmas songs and performances.

Below are provisional dates for the different performances, however we must advise that new guidance is due on 10<sup>th</sup> December which will reflect current COVID rates in Cambridgeshire and as a result stricter measures may be introduced. If this happens, we will look to stream these events live or put videos on Google Classrooms and Tapestry for you to see at home.

- Nursery - Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 9:15am
- Reception - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 9:15am
- KS1 Performance - Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 1:30pm  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 10:00am

### COVID situation within school

Unfortunately due to a small increase in the number of positive cases within our school community, we have been advised of additional protective measures to put in place for at least the next seven days.

As with all stages of the pandemic we continue to follow the advice we receive to keep everybody as safe as we can. Please be reassured this won't affect your child's education, and they will not miss out on any of the special events planned for the festive season.

Children who are well are expected to attend school as normal. If your child is feeling unwell at all please do not send them to school and get a PCR test.

### Vouchers Scheme

We are pleased to inform you that the government will be issuing support vouchers to cover the two weeks of the Christmas holiday. All eligible families will receive a single £30 voucher over the Christmas holiday via Wonde; a separate letter is attached detailing the criteria for this.

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## Magic in the Making – Year 5 Trip to Harry Potter Studios!

Last Thursday, we came to school and everyone was extremely excited. We made our way to the Park and Ride, where we were met by the bus and went on a long drive to Watford, where the studio was. We were given our Harry Potter passport at the studios, in which we had to collect some stamps, and then went through the security measures and went up a tiring amount of stairs! Since we were VIPs, we were shown a room where we discussed, and got to see, the original costumes that the actors actually wore in the films! We had to wear gloves when we touched them so they didn't get dirty!

Then, we had an early lunch and went on the tour and walked through some hallways where some people in costumes explained what we were going to do. We went into a cinema room where Rupert Grint, Emma Watson and Daniel Radcliffe spoke to us (on a screen!) before revealing the Great Hall! All of us poured into the Great Hall trying to see everything we could see; our first stamp was at the Gryffindor Common Room and we printed this onto the passports. Then, we went to a photo booth where we sat on a broom and there was a green screen which had a Quidditch background added to it so it looked like we were flying! Next, we saw the Forbidden Forest where we were greeted by Buckbeak, the Hippogriff, and a mist – we then walked into a tunnel disguised as the Whomping Willow. After walking inside, we found ourselves in Aragog's, the spider, lair – we were spooked by seeing the spiders going up and down! In Gringotts Bank, there were fake pillars and chandeliers; then we found ourselves in a destroyed Gringotts because a dragon had broken free! Later, we went to Diagon Alley where there were shops full of wands, sweets and much more; then at last, we reached the last place where there was a model of Hogwarts but it was still much bigger than me! Finally, it was time to go home. I had the best day ever!

**Report by Adi Patel, Murray Edwards Class**

### Upcoming Events

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December**  
Year 3 Trip to Wandlebury

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas Lunch

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December**  
Flu Vaccines

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas Jumper Day  
Surprise Room

### Playpods

As requested by the School Council, we have been able to open the Playpod at lunchtimes. It has been lovely to see all the year groups enjoying the equipment and taking part in such imaginative play!

Thanks to our Year 6 Playground Champions for helping to organise this at lunchtime!

