

Dear Parents/Carers,



RECENT EVENTS

Many thanks to our fabulous FRIENDS who organised a brilliant Firework's Night which has once again raised much needed funds for Hunsdon – I'm hoping that it's a good sign that they're still counting and don't know the total yet!! Their efforts help us to continue to keep providing great experiences for all of our children so please do get involved and support them if you are able.

COMING SOON

ANTI BULLYING WEEK – W/b 22nd November – The children will be partaking in anti-bullying lessons throughout the week, covering the different aspects of bullying and emphasising the ways that the children can deal with incidents if they should meet them. A highlight of the week includes a performance and a workshop by Altru Theatre!

INSET – Monday 28th November - Please remember not to bring your children into school on this day.

NASAL FLU VACCINATIONS – Tuesday, 29th November – The catch-up session for those children who were away earlier in the term. Please remember to give consent by the link that Mrs. Poole sent you.

EARLY FINISH – Wednesday 7th December 1.30pm – School will be closing earlier than usual for this special Staff and Governor event. If you anticipate difficulties picking your child/ren up, there will be a crèche available, but please notify the office by **Monday 5th December** at latest if you require it.
(Please note that there are no after-school clubs on the 7th Dec)

VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP AND TOUR OF ST. ALBANS CATHEDRAL – A completely new event this year, Key Stage 2 (9th Dec) and Key Stage 1 (14th Dec) will be experiencing life inside St. Albans Cathedral via their Class Interactive White Boards.

OAK, MAPLE AND CHERRY 'BARMY BETHLEHEM' Tuesday 13th 2.00pm and Wednesday 14th 6.00pm – We are all looking forward to this year's performances and if the rehearsals are anything to go by then we're in for a treat! Please remember that we close the registers at 10am on the 15th, although we will of course be opening at the usual time. **Information about tickets will be issued nearer to the date.**

CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY – Wednesday 14th December – This Christmas we are once again supporting the Dalit children who attend Kapepaladi School. Our Hunsdon contact – Dinah Findlay – has asked for help in raising money to buy clothes for the children who are among the very poorest in India. For more information about this wonderful charity please follow the link: <https://supportingdalitchildren.com/product/donation/> Consequently, we're asking the children to bring in £2 and wear A Christmas jumper / top. Come to school dressed up for Christmas and do so whilst singing Christmas songs and eating Christmas lunch? *Tree-mendous!*

CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTIES – As always, the final week of term will see each class celebrate with their own Christmas party. The children are invited to bring their own party clothes to change into after lunch so whether it's flashing T-shirts, big hats, mad dancing or a Christmas feast, it's sure to be good fun!

Ash – Wednesday 15th December

Oak, Maple and Cherry – Friday 16th December

Cedar– Monday 19th December

CHRISTMAS PANTOMINE – TUESDAY 20th DECEMBER 1.30pm – Panto comes to Hunsdon, this year in the form of Beauty and the Beast! Gaston’s always been my favourite – this year I hear that he’s favourite to win the No-Belle Prize!!!

END OF TERM – Wednesday 21st December – Our final assembly will be at 1.45pm and the term ends at 2.30pm.

Finally, there are few new dates on the calendar which I’ve included on the **Dates For Your Diary** list.

Yours sincerely,



Jon Millward
Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

November 2022

25 th Nov	1.30 – 3.15pm	Anti-Bullying performance by Altru Theatre (<i>Please note: There will be no Sharing Assembly</i>)
28 th Nov		INSET Day – school closed
29 th Nov	1.30pm	Nasal Flu Vaccinations catch-up

December 2022

7 th Dec	1.30pm	Early finish (<i>although crèche will be available</i>)
12 th Dec		Clubs finish
12 th Dec	9.30am	Reception and KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal
13 th Dec	2.00pm	Reception and KS1 Nativity Performance
14 th Dec		Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper day
14 th Dec	6.00pm	Reception and KS1 Nativity Performance
15 th Dec	10.00am	Optional late start – registers close at 10.00am
15 th Dec	1.30pm	Ash class Christmas party
15 th Dec	8.00am	Breakfast with Santa
16 th Dec	1.30pm	Reception and KS1 Christmas party (<i>Please note: There will be no Sharing Assembly</i>)
19 th Dec	1.30pm	Cedar class Christmas party
20 th December	1.30pm	Beauty and the Beast Pantomime @Hunsdon
21 st December	1.45pm	Autumn Term Final Assembly
21 st December	2.30pm	<i>End of term</i>