

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer,

We would normally invite representative of the NSPCC in to school each year to speak with children about keeping themselves safe. Unfortunately this has not been possible for the last couple of years due to the pandemic. The NSPCC have instead teamed up with Ant and Dec to produce two virtual assemblies you can all watch at home! You may have already seen the one published last year but I have included the link to both anyway - [Assembly One](#); [Assembly Two](#).

Wiltshire Council have written to schools again to indicate restrictions are to remain in place until January 2022 at the earliest although schools may tentatively plan for in-person productions. They warn that they may need to instruct schools to cancel them at the last minute should the need arise. Due to us having cases in school, the Public Health Team confirmed several weeks ago that our decision to move to filmed productions was essential to prevent further spread of COVID-19 within our school community. I am also conscious that a last minute ban on school-based gatherings by the Local Authority may occur at any point as cases rise across the county. This would have left us with no productions in any form which would have been so disappointing for everyone. As it is, the children have enjoyed dressing up and being in front of the camera or supporting with the all-important behind the scenes work. The editing process for both plays will be starting shortly, as soon as filming is completed. This is quite an involved process as you might imagine. The productions will be ready to publish at the end of term or a little before. Like me, I am sure you can't wait to see them!

Finally, I would like to remind parents/carers that the start time is 8:30am at our Monkton Farleigh base, and 8:45am at our Atworth base. An increasing number of children have been arriving after these times which is causing disruption to learning. I understand that the unforeseen can sometimes occur but would be grateful if they could be kept to a minimum for the children's sake. As a safety precaution, please avoid congregating by the school gate in the morning. The gate opens at 8:20am at Monkton Farleigh and 8:30am at Atworth. These should be sufficient windows for children to safely arrive in time for the start of school. Thank you for your support with this.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Simon Fletcher.

Mathletics

Wow! Another sparkly gold week with no less than three children earning the highest award possible! Huge congratulations to Maddox, Emily J and Livinia

GOLD: Maddox, Emily J, Livinia

SILVER: Oliver CJ, Josiah, Maddox, Rufus, Emily J, Livinia, Ted L

BRONZE : Alex C, Benjamin, Oliver CJ, Florence, Ethan, Josiah, Alexis, Maddox, Hector G, Rufus, Oliver H, Isla, Emily J, Leighton, Livinia, Ted L, Ryley, Joseph, George R, Scarlett, Niamh, Heidi

Increase to School Lunch price from January 2022

We have been advised by our caterer that continuing price rises from their suppliers has given them no choice but to increase the cost of school lunch provision. The charge for a school meal at Churchfields will go up by 10p in January 2022 to **£2.50** per meal.

This is the first increase Eynon have had to make in several years and they apologise for having to pass on rising costs to parents and carers, but need to do so to ensure they are able to continue to provide quality products for use in our meals.

Christmas jumper day Friday 10 December

In lieu of a small donation for our PTA we would like everyone to come in their favourite Christmas jumper, party clothes or something festive next Friday to help us really get into the festive spirit on the day of our Christmas dinner.





Churchfields PTA Christmas Raffle

In lieu of our Christmas Fayre 2021 being cancelled, we will now be focusing on our raffle. Every year, local businesses and people are extremely generous in gifting raffle prizes for us, so we thought - why not go ahead with this to bring some vital funding to Churchfields.

What do we need, we hear you ask! In the next week, we will be sending home **10 raffle tickets with each child**. Each ticket is £1.

Please could all of you lovely parents/guardians try and sell as many as you can to your friends, family and neighbours. We would be so grateful for this effort. **Following the sale of these, please hand one part of the ticket to the buyer and return the other with their name & phone number written on the back, with the cash in the envelopes provided.**

Please return all money and tickets sold by Monday 13th December.

The draw will be made on Wednesday 15th December and the prizes will be delivered to school by the end of the week. Please now take a look at the list of our fabulous prizes in order to promote our raffle!

Thank you once again for your continued support.

Many thanks

Churchfields PTA



Shop on line with Amazon Smile and easyfundraising and they will donate to Churchfields PTA

For all your online purchases, if you use amazon please choose Churchfields The Village School PTA as your chosen charity. Shop via [Amazon Smile](#) and Amazon will donate to our PTA at no cost to you.

You can also shop via easyfundraising it's easy to join just click [here](#) to get started.

Thank you

Christmas Fayre

Shaw School Hall
Saturday 4th December
10am to 12pm

Come and have some fun before Christmas and buy some Christmas gifts for the family.

Stalls: Cake, Preserves and Chutneys, Cards, crafts, knitted gifts, natural cosmetics and more.

Games: Bottle Stall, Grand Raffle, Whisky & Gin raffle, Flags.

Father Christmas will be coming at 11.30am with a free gift for every child.

Refreshments of tea, coffee and biscuits or mince pies will be served.



Term 2 Key Dates	
Friday 10 December	Christmas Dinner & Christmas jumper day
Friday 17 December	Non-uniform day
Friday 17 December	End of Term 2

INSET DAYS 2021/2022 **Tuesday 04 January** **Friday 08 April** **Monday 06 June** **Friday 22 July**

Term 3	
Tuesday 04 January	INSET DAY
WEDNESDAY 05 JANUARY	Term 3 Begins
Wednesday 12 January	School Nurse Nasal Flu immunisations Atworth then Monkton Farleigh
Thursday 13 January	WOW Day
Thursday 20 January	Census
Monday 07 February to Friday 11 February	E - safety week
Date to be confirmed	West Wilts Dance Festival at The Forum Bath
Friday 18 February	End of Term 3

