



Newsletter 5th January 2024

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! As I said to the children and staff this week 'it's great to be back in school'... genuinely mean it! I hope you have all had an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas break. We had two really great 'welcome back' assemblies this week where we spoke about the Christmas break, the kindness of others and the pleasure in being kind to others. Your children were so attentive and responsive, it was a real pleasure!

I also want to mention a few things and reminders as we go into this term. Firstly, please look out for 'Coffee and Choir' dates over the next couple of weeks. I will be booking these in and letting you know soon.

Secondly, could I request that all children bring coats into school at this time of year, a coat with a hood is a real plus as well as we do like to get the children outside as much as we can at breaktimes.

There are also a few things I would like to alert you to that are coming up this term. I will be writing to tell all parents and carers shortly regarding attendance. I will be outlining the importance of good attendance and how as a school we want to offer parents support with any attendance issues.

Another letter to come soon will be focused on 'healthy eating' again, I will be outlining what we want to encourage in terms of healthy lunchboxes and snacks. In addition, we will be looking at supporting parents and carers with healthy eating issues through our curriculum and through the excellent organisation 'Phunky Foods', who will be able to provide a range of great support activities for families and pupils focused upon healthy eating and wider benefits.

I hope you all have a good weekend planned and see you next week!

Mr Ball



Year 6 Immersion Day:

On Wednesday, Year 6 came dressed as wartime evacuees ready to start their new topic on WW2. They started by making themselves an identity tag, so they were ready to be evacuated. After, they received different destinations in the countryside, and then they were set to be evacuated! We walked down to the train station and imagined what it was like for children during WW2. The day was a fantastic way to get the children immersed into the new topic and was enjoyed by all. Thank you for your efforts with the children's outfits for the day- they looked lovely!



Year 3 Greek Workshop: Today, Year 3 were very excited to take part in an Ancient Greek workshop in preparation for writing their own Greek myth. The children thought about their hero and the mythical creature that might appear in their story. They also described the setting of their story to paint a picture in the minds of the audience. Finally, they were immersed in adventurous vocabulary, which they used to create and perform imaginative stories.



Year 4 Layers of the Rainforest: This week Year 4 have been learning about the different layers of the rainforest. The children worked together to make dioramas to show everything they found out and demonstrate how different each layer is.



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BPSCA: *Present Amnesty: If, after the Christmas break, you have any unwanted gifts, please consider donating them to the BPSCA to use as raffle prizes at our summer fun day in July. These can be left in our green trug, outside the school office.*

Stikins: *If you need some more name labels for uniform, please consider buying from Stikins. 30% commission goes to the BPSCA. Order online at www.stikins.co.uk, using fundraising number 1910. Look out for flyers in book bags.*

Chartwells have informed us that due to a supplier issue, there will be a substituted meal on the 11th January.

The meal option that is affected is macaroni cheese and will be subbed with cheese and tomato pasta.

Special diets will be catered for according to the menu options. If, however your child has chosen the macaroni cheese and cannot have the cheese and tomato pasta due to any allergies, they will have a jacket potato.

Petworth winning house !

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Upcoming dates: January

- **Monday 8th January** – clubs resume
- **Tuesday 16th January** – Young Voices concert at the O2
- **Wednesday 17th January** – Y5 and Y6 tag rugby festival at the Weald
- **Wednesday 24th January** – Y5 and Y6 athletics at the Weald
- **Monday 29th January**– Y1 - Clay teacher visiting to help the children to make clay creatures

Please don't forget
that full PE kits
need to be sent
into school.

Letters home this week:

Academisation Update

Year 5 & 6 Tag Rugby (Selected students only)

Year 5 & 6 Talent Enrichment (Selected students only)

Year groups regularly post photos of children and learning so please follow your child's Year Group on X



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