

# Dewhurst St Mary Newsletter



Monday 14th November 2022

'Inspiring all to Dream, Believe, Achieve'

## Dates for your diaries

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Nov – **Children In Need** spotty theme

Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov – Pupil individual photos

Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Nov - FoD's Non-Uniform day

### Xmas Events;

**Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> & Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Dec – Winter wonderland**

Choir singing at Family Advent Church Service Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Nov

Choir carol singing at Waltham Cross Weds 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 1pm

**KS1 Christmas Play Mon 12<sup>th</sup> 2.15pm**

**KS1 Christmas Play Tues 13<sup>th</sup> 9.45am**

**Reception Nativity Tues 13<sup>th</sup> 2.15 pm**

**Reception Nativity Weds 14<sup>th</sup> 9.45am**

Weds 14<sup>th</sup> **Christmas Jumper day and Christmas Dinner**

**Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> KS2 (yrs 3, 4, 5, 6) Carol Concert**

**St Marys Church 5.45pm arrive - 6pm start**

Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Whole School Christingle Service St Marys Church

**Last day of term Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 1.30**

**Back to school Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023**

Half term 13-17<sup>th</sup> Feb

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> March World Book Day

Last day Fri 31<sup>st</sup> March 1.30pm

Easter holidays 1<sup>st</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> April 2023

INSET 17<sup>th</sup> April

Back to school 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Bank holiday Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023

**Bank holiday Mon 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (new)**

Yr 6 SATS w/b Tues 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Y2 SATS – During May

Half term 29<sup>th</sup> May-2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023

Yr4 – Multiplication Check-June

Yr1 – Phonics screening week beg 12<sup>th</sup> June

Transition day Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> July

**Last day Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

## 'Let your light shine'

**Matthew 5:16**

Our School Value this half term ;



Be kind and compassionate to one another,  
forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave  
you. **Ephesians 4:32**

## Important Notice !!

**Reception morning performance- changed date- now Weds 14<sup>th</sup> same time 9.45am (not Monday 12<sup>th</sup> as first published) Christmas jumpers welcomed !**

## FODs Family 80's Disco

A huge thank you to FOD's volunteers who organised, set up, helped out and cleared away. Lots of family fun and happy memories made whilst raising money for the school.

## FODs Winter Wonderland Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> & Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Dec

Have you got your ice-skating tickets yet? Hurry, some sessions are now fully booked!

## Family Assemblies 2.45pm

Friday Nov 25<sup>th</sup> Year 3

Friday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> Year 6

## Christmas Jumper day

On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December we will be encouraging staff and pupils to come to school in a Christmas jumper to enjoy their Christmas dinner. Every year we enjoy wearing our festive jumpers, however this year we are looking for any outgrown jumpers to be handed in as a donation prior to this event. FOD's will then be recycling these and selling them for a small fee to raise money for the school, whilst giving those Christmas woollies a new home! **Please bring donated jumpers washed and ready by Fri 18<sup>th</sup> November.**

## Children In Need

We will be holding an optional Children In Need dress up day this Friday (spotty theme) - We are asking for you to make an online donation this year rather than collecting cash at school which will go straight to the Children In Need pot <https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>

You may come in Children In Need merchandise or anything spotty.

## GC Sports Holiday Club

Gary and his team will be running a Christmas holiday club here at school again for our families Wed 21<sup>st</sup> – Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec. Please see the additional attachment which accompanies this newsletter this week.

## Internet Safety

Please be aware of the age restrictions of the apps the children may request from you. We have some useful information on our website: <https://dewhurst.herts.sch.uk/parents/esafety>

## Absence

If you are reporting absence please e-mail our NEW attendance email before 9am to [attendance@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk) this will go straight to Mrs Dove our attendance officer. If we have not heard from you we will make contact to rule out a safeguarding concern. Please also remember to cancel their chosen meal before 8am. **Please remember attendance is mandatory and parents should plan their holidays around the above school holiday breaks. Holidays and days out will not be authorised. Please note that even brief term time holidays can affect children in school adversely. We appreciate your understanding and thank you for supporting us in improving attendance.**