# Dewhurst St Mary Newsletter

Monday 4th December 2023

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16



# Dates for your diaries

Please note:

This Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December is non-uniform day in exchange for a donation for the tombola for the Christmas Fete. See poster of what to bring.

Final call for any redundant or spare Christmas jumpers.... Please donate them to school where we will sell them at a reduced price to raise money for the school this Friday.

Last day of term – Weds 20<sup>th</sup> December Christmas holiday: 21st Dec– 3rd Jan 2024

Half term holiday: 19 Feb - 23 Feb 2024 Easter holiday: 29 March - 12 April 2024

OCCASIONAL DAY Fri 3rd May 2024 BANK HOLIDAY Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Half term holiday: 27 May- 31 May 2024 Break up for Summer: Fri 19th July 1.30pm

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.

PLEASE CHECK ALL UNIFORM IS LABELLEDour lost property is growing!

PLEASE KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE- DO NOT DRIVE DOWN THE LANE

# '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

# 'Inspiring all to Dream, Believe, Achieve'

Thank you to FOD's for organising our 'Dewhurst Wreath making Workshop' last

Thursday. It was such a lovely event for our school community. It was a festive evening of

creativity and so lovely to come away with unique individual decorations for our homes

whilst raising money for the school.

#### Dates for diaries:

December – FOD's Elf Raffle – Enter the 'Name the Elf Raffle' if you see him around the school! £1 a go.. keep you eyes peeled!

- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December Non Uniform Day children bring in tombola donations (details to follow)
- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December FOD's Christmas Jumper Stall After School
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 3.15-5pm FODS Christmas Fete
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December Christingle Service St Marys Church
- Weds 20<sup>th</sup> Dec Last day of term 1.30pm finish

## Wednesday -Christmas Jumper day and Christmas dinner

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December we will be encouraging staff and pupils to come to school in a Christmas jumper to enjoy their Christmas dinner. To order your Christmas dinner please use School Gateway App. we are looking for any outgrown jumpers to be handed in as a donation. 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!

### **GC Sports Holiday Club**

Gary and his team will be running a Christmas holiday club here at school again for our families Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> and Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec. Look out for further information.

#### **Christmas Cards**

Pupils can bring in Christmas cards for the pupils in their class starting this week. Staff will allocate time at the end of the day for pupils to hand them out to take home each day.

# **CHRISTMAS** performances

Tickets were sent home at the end of last week and due to a limited audience capacity we will have a strict 'ticket only' policy. PLEASE KEEP THIS TICKETS SAFE AS THEY WILL NEED TO BE BROUGHT TO ENTER THE PERFORMANCES.

Each family will be allocated a ticket for each performance that their child is in. NO PRE- SCHOOL CHILDREN TO PERFORMANCES.

EYFS Nativity Weds 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 9.30am

**EYFS Nativity** Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 9.30 am

KS1 Christmas play Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Dec 2.30pm

**KS1 Christmas play** Tues 12<sup>th</sup> 9.30am

KS2 Carol Concert Tues in St Marys Church 6-7pm

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