



28 November 2019

Dear Parents

As we approach the beginning of Advent, heralding the Good News that comes at Christmas, throughout the school there are rehearsals taking place, songs being sung and a joyful sense of expectation in the air. We are all looking forward to what is to come, and to having you join us for our various Christmas Celebrations.

It was a pleasure to welcome Reception's Grandparents who joined us this week to take part in classroom activities and to have tea. Thank you to the parents who produced such delicious sandwiches and cakes for the occasion.



Love in a Box

We were delighted to receive 91 wonderful boxes which will brighten the lives of needy children in Eastern Europe. Many thanks to everyone from Dolphin and Noah's Ark who supported Love in a Box.



Christmas Events - Reminder

Northcote Road Christmas Lights and Christmas Market

The Christmas lights will be switched on, on Friday 29 November, with events taking place between 16.30 and 19.30. Santa will also be in his grotto at Hamptons International; there will be mulled wine, mince pies, donkeys and of course Santa Claus with presents.

The POD and Year 6 will be hosting a Christmas Cookie stall in front of the school by the Northcote steps. POD would be most grateful if you could bake cookies and cupcakes for our Year 6 to sell after school.

Last year we successfully raised over £200. All funds raised will go towards a special charity - The Children's Society. There will also be some wonderful Christmas songs being sung by Dolphin parents, so do please come along at 16.45 and enjoy the festivities.

Please note that, due to the above event, the **afterschool dodgeball club** children should be collected from the Wakehurst door and **not** the Northcote door.

Celebration of Christmas Production

The Lower School (R-Y2) will be performing their Celebration of Christmas production on Tuesday 3 December at 14.30 (doors will open at 14.15) and again at 18.00 (doors open at 17:40). For the evening performance please bring your child to the Northcote Door at 17.40 and then come in to enjoy some refreshments before the Celebration of Christmas production starts.

We have room for two adults per pupil to attend the afternoon performance and two adults per pupil at the evening performance. Tickets are not going to be issued. The

Upper School will have already seen the Lower School's production, during school time. We look forward to welcoming Lower School families to the performances.

Carol Service

Upper School pupils (Y3-Y6) will be taking part in our Carol Service at St Michael's Church, Cobham Close, SW11 6SP on Wednesday 11 December. Pupils are to be dropped off at St Michael's Church at 18.00.

Adults may then come into the church to enjoy some festive refreshments. The Carol Service starts at 18.30.

There are no tickets but two adults per pupil can certainly be accommodated in St Michael's Church. The parent choir will also be singing at the Carol Service.

Please note we will be sending full details of the end of term arrangements in a separate document attached to the Dolphin newsletter email.

Assembly tomorrow

Our Friday assembly, to which all parents are always warmly invited, will take place at 11:15.

Parent Drop in and Parents' Prayers

Tomorrow morning from 08:30 – 08:45 Reception and Year 2EM parents are invited to visit their child's classroom. Parents' Prayers will take place in the Music Room at 08.50. Please note that there will be **no Parents' Prayers next week** due to a trip to Westminster Abbey

Wish best wishes

N. S. Baldwin

Mrs N. S. Baldwin
Principal

Upcoming Events and Sporting Fixtures

| AUTUMN TERM 2019 | | | |
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| Winter uniform | | | |
| Date | Event | Time | Venue |
| Tuesday 26 Nov | Grandparents' Tea RSS | 14.00 – 15.15 | School |
| Thursday 28 November | Grandparents' Tea RAW | 14.00 – 15.15 | School |
| Friday 29 November | Y5/Y6 Girls' Football v Honeywell | 13.30 | Wandsworth Common (home) |
| Tuesday 3 December | Celebration of Christmas (Lower School) | 14.30 | Church |
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| Friday 6 December | Christingle Service in aid of The Children's Society (Year 5) | Morning | Westminster Abbey |
| Wednesday 11 December | Carol Service (Upper School) | 18.00 for 18.30 | St Michael's Church, Cobham Close |
| Thursday 12 December | Christmas Fair (Reception – Year 6) | Morning | School |
| Thursday 12 December | Assembly | 11.40 | Church |
| Thursday 12 December | End of term | 12:30 | School |
| SPRING TERM 2020 | | | |
| Winter uniform | | | |
| Wednesday 8 January | Spring Term begins | 08:30 | School |