



Dear Parents and Carers,

"Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and bring forth a son, and they shall call him Emmanuel, which means 'God with us' (Matthew 1 verse 23)

Advent is now upon us and we are all looking forward to the Christmas Fair. My office is currently full of lots of goodies which are going out on stalls tomorrow! I'm

finding it hard to resist eating all of the cakes!

Having the fair at the Junior School is a bit of a break with tradition but we are hopeful that the increase in space will enable all visitors to enjoy the fair whilst preventing overcrowding. Please do come along and support your PTA as we raise vital funds for both of our local schools.

We would like to wish a Happy Hanukkah to our children and families who are celebrating this week. Our children learnt about Hanukkah this morning in assembly.

The weather is now getting colder but windows are remaining open in school so that we have good ventilation in classrooms. Please do ensure that your child is dressed warmly – tights/long socks for girls and long trousers for boys. Do also make sure that you send your child into school with a thick coat so that they can enjoy playing outside at break and lunchtime.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Wand Headteacher



Mrs Broden has created a beautiful advent wreath which is visiting a different classroom each morning.



DATES FOR 19TH—26TH NOVEMBER 2021						
Friday 3rd December	St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival, 2:30pm—6pm					
Saturday 4th December	PTA Christmas Fair, 12noon—3pm at Horsell Junior School					
	St. Mary's Christmas Tree Festival, 10am—4:30pm with handbell performance at 2:30pm					
Wednesday 8th December	Year 4 Roman Day Sam Beare and Woking Hospice Concert, 1:30pm, Christ Church, Woking with performance from Horsell Junior School Choir (year 5 and 6 members only)					
Friday 10th December	 Beech class assembly, 8:55am prompt. In line with government advice: only one adult should attend per child. Masks should be worn unless medically exempt, and it is recommended that a lateral flow test is taken within 48 hours of attending or closer to the event. Anyone testing positive or showing even mild covid symptoms should not attend. Please note: hot drinks cannot be brought in and photography is not permitted. 					



Following recent government guidance, and in light of rising cases locally, we kindly ask that all visitors over the age of 11 years wear a facemask when visiting the Christmas fair. It is also recommended participants take a lateral flow (antigen) test within 48 hours before attending. Anyone showing even mild covid symptoms should





One of our Christmas Elves displaying our NEW Horsell tea towels. Available to buy at the fair!

PTA Christmas Raffle

Tickets available at pick up today and at the fair tomorrow, with fabulous prizes from local suppliers including:

Horsell Kitchen * Apples & Pears *The Cricketers * Poppies and Peonies * Nova Cinema * Red Lion * Norsworthy's * Horsell Framing Company * Thurston's * Sophie Sews * the Village Barbers * Horsell Nails & Spa * Little Ellis Farm * Café Primo

And many more!



Handbells at St Mary's Church

Come and listen to our handbell club who are performing at St Mary's Church at 2:15pm on Saturday 4th December.



ECO-TREE ENTRY

Here is our eco-tree, ready to be wheeled up to St. Mary's Church, ready for their Christmas Tree Festival this weekend.

Mrs Lamb and Mrs Brodgen came up with the idea to use last year's tree and "bring it back to life", in keeping with our Eco Council messages this term on recycling paper and resources.

One of our Year 6 forest school groups decorated the tree with lavender bags made with the cut back lavender from

the school and fabric off-cuts from Sophie Sews. They also finger knitted garlands and repurposed other materials to create.

Do visit St. Mary's Church this weekend so see this and many other trees at their Christmas Tree Festival.

Reverse Advent Calendar – 12 days of giving

Thank you to everyone who has generously donated to our Reverse Advent Calendar. We continue collecting the following items for the <u>York Road Project</u>, a local charity supporting people experiencing homelessness.

Children can bring in one of the suggested donation any day until 16th December. A collection box will be available at the gate each day.

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
Multi-pack crisps & snacks	Jars of Coffee & Hot chocolate	Cordials & Bottled water	Individually wrapped bis- cuits/ sweets	Mens boxer shorts (new)	Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10	Day 11	Day 12
Bodywash	Shampoo/ Conditioner	Tangle Teezers	Deodorant/ Body spray	Puzzles (complete sets only)	Art and craft items*

*Art and craft items include colouring pens, pencils, sharpeners, rubbers, rulers, adult colouring books, paper, etc.

Children wishing to send cards can do so via the **School Christmas Post**. A letterbox will be available in reception. Please ensure the name and class of the recipient is written clearly. The last posting date will be **Monday 13th December**.



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