



Christmas Concerts

At the moment, we are pleased to announce that we still intending on continuing with our Christmas concerts as planned. If the climate changes over the course of the weekend we may have to review parental attendance. Our priority is the health and safety of the children, staff and parents. Parent are still welcome to the Nursery and Reception concerts but please remember that only one adult per child will be admitted. In addition, adults must provide a negative PCR or LFD test result not more than 48 hours old. You can report LFD tests at <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result> Parents must wear a face mask.

For those that cannot attend we had hoped to post a recording of your child's performance in a secure way for our families to see. A number of families have expressed concerns with this and have not given permission to do this. As we continue to respect the views of all of our families, this means that we will not be posting a recording of any of the performances.

Each year at the end of the Christmas concert, we usually do a collection for a chosen charity. This year we will not be asking for a monetary collection, instead we ask that you donate a single food item (cans or dry goods **but not** fresh items) which we will donate to the local food bank on the last day of term.

Thank you in advance for your generous donations to our local community.

Christmas Concerts

Nursery concert Tuesday 14th December at 11.00am and 2.30pm

Reception concert Tuesday 14th December at 9.15am

Years 1, 2, & 5 concert - Wednesday 15th December. The concert will be performed to Year 4 children.



Christmas Parties

Christmas class parties for Nursery - Year 6 children will take place on **Thursday 16th December**. Children wear party clothes on the day of their party all day at school. However, this does not include; coloured hair, high heels, make-up or football kits. Also please note children will need to wear warm clothes as they are in the playground at lunchtime for over an hour.



Annual Christmas Service

Year 3, 4 and 6 will visit St Edmunds Church for the annual Christmas service on Thursday 16th December.

Christmas Jumper Day

On **Friday 17th December**, our final day of term, all children are invited to wear Christmas jumpers (in addition to their school uniform) in school. There will be no cost to wear a Christmas jumper because we are doing this for fun, not for charity!



Please remember to come and support the staff on the last day of term, before school at 8.30am, when our staff will be performing our traditional Christmas carol singing outside the main entrance.

Everybody is welcome!



Writers of the Week

Our Writers of the Week are children who have performed their own personal best in their writing. We congratulate them on being superstar writers!



This week our Writers of the Week come from Year 4. They are:
Nicole in Hazel class
Raphaella in Sycamore class
Olivia in Willow class.
You can see their fantastic writing on pages 4 - 10 of this newsletter!

Attendance 29th November - 3rd December 2021

Congratulations to the following classes for achieving the highest attendance percentage in their Year Groups; over 96%.

Year Group	Class	Attendance %
Year 2	Cedar	97.2%
Year 3	Elm	96.5%
Year 4	Hazel	98.1%
Year 5	Pine	97%
Year 6	Olive	96%



The minimum target for attendance each week as set by the Government is 96%. During the above period our overall school attendance was **95.4%**.

Early Closing Last Day of Term

All year groups will finish an hour earlier than usual next Friday on the last day of term This means:



Nursery AM will finish at the usual time of 11.55am
Nursery PM will finish at **2.25pm**
Reception Years 1 & 2 will finish at **2.25pm**
Years 3 & 4 will finish at **2.30pm**
Years 5 & 6 will finish at **2.35pm**

Please ensure your child/children are collected promptly.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

UK Disability History Month

UK Disability History Month 2021 runs from 18th November until 18th December and is now in its 12th Year. Disability History Month aims are to:

- Celebrate the lives of disabled people now and in the past
- Challenge the oppression of disabled people over time and now
- Achieve equality for people with disabilities



This year the focus is on disabled people with invisible disabilities. An invisible disability can be a medical condition that cannot be seen. Lupus, Sickle cell anaemia, Thalassaemia and Arthritis are just a few examples of invisible conditions. These are illnesses that can affect the daily life of the person living with them because they can experience lots of pain. For example, someone with chronic pain might need to sit down on public transport, but you would never be able to tell that they weren't well just by looking at them. Also, the symptoms of some types of invisible conditions can come and go, and the person may not be affected by it all the time.

Year 6 Dancers

A big well done to our fantastic and coordinated Year 6 dancers:

Defne, Hibah, Jennah, Meja, Mya, Andreea, Naila, Lora and Shereece who performed for Year 6 on Wednesday.



They have all worked really hard for the last term and a half and it really showed in their performance!

Family Link Parenting Nurturing Programme

We are very excited to announce we will be facilitating a 'Family Link Parenting Nurturing Programme' during the Spring term 2022.



"All our work is underpinned by the Nurturing Programme which provides adults and children with the understanding, skills and ability to lead emotionally healthy lives, build resilience, empathy, self-esteem and support positive relationships."

The four areas we focus on are:

- Self-awareness
- Appropriate expectations
- Empathy
- Positive discipline

For more information check out :

<https://www.familylinks.org.uk/what-we-do>

This is a weekly opportunity through a range of discussions, fun activities and self-reflection to come together as a group to discuss the challenges and joys of parenting in a supportive and nurturing environment. The group facilitators are Mrs Canham and Mrs Mara. It takes place in school on a Tuesday morning for 10 consecutive weeks (9:10am - 11:10 am), starting on the 11th of January 2022.

If you would like to join this very popular 10 week programme, please email the school office chaselanepr@clpwalham.org.uk

Vocabulary Corner

Chronic = awful, very bad, without stopping or happening often for a long period of time

Similar words - continuing, constant

Example - Jane's mother suffers from **chronic** back pain.

Joke of The Week

Q. What do you call a reindeer with bad manners?

A: RUDE-olph!



Stay & Play



Stay & Play has now end for Autumn term 2021. New sessions will start in Spring term 1 from Monday 10th January 2022.

Christmas Dinner Menu Thursday 16th December 2021

Christmas lunch will be served to children who currently have school dinners, on **Thursday 16th December**. Please note, the numbers have already been submitted to the kitchen, therefore children who are not school dinners must remember to bring in their packed lunch on that day.



Saving the Planet Tips For Christmas



Menu Week 1 w/c 13/12/2021	Save The Planet	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
First Choice	Planet Pizza	Vegetable Biryani (V)	Honey Roast Chicken & Gravy	MSC Golden Crumb Fish Fingers served with Lemon Twist
Second Choice	Planet Pizza (VG)	Homemade Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie with Gravy	Tomato & Basil Pasta (VG)	Homemade Cheese & Broccoli Quiche (V)
Third Choice	Emmanuel School's Favourite Smoky Cheese & Cherry Tomato Pasta (VG)	Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	MSC Lemon Crumb Salmon Fillet	Deep Fried Homemade Battered Fish Fillet with a lemon wedge
Sides	Garlic Bread	Parsley Steamed Potatoes	Crispy Rosemary Roast Potatoes	Oven Baked Chips
Vegetables	Sweetcorn Minted Garden Peas	Mixed Vegetables Fresh Seasonal Organic Carrots	Fresh Seasonal Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Cauliflower	Baked Beans Minted Garden Peas
Salads	Unlimited Salad Bar Selection	Unlimited Salad Bar Selection	Unlimited Salad Bar Selection	Unlimited Salad Bar Selection
Desserts	Peaches & Custard	Cheese & Crackers with Fresh Apple Slice	Chocolate Cracknel with Chocolate Sauce	Rice Pudding with a Fruit Compote
DAILY	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit
DAILY	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit
Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread

Waltham Forest Holiday Activity & Food Programme

Parents and carers throughout Waltham Forest may be eligible to benefit from a free holiday clubs programme for children and young people over the winter break. The Government's Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF) will be available throughout the borough this winter. See the flyer below for further details and how to book a place.

WALTHAM FOREST HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME

WINTER HOLIDAY FUN

All activities will take place between
20TH DECEMBER - 23RD DECEMBER 2021

To book your place and find out more -
WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK/HOLIDAYS

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL
on all activities so book early to avoid disappointment

ARE YOU AGED BETWEEN 5-16 AND IN RECEIPT OF BENEFIT RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS?
DO YOU LIVE OR GO TO SCHOOL IN WALTHAM FOREST?

This Winter we have a wide range of free exciting activities and lunch taking place across the borough for you to enjoy during the winter holidays.

During the winter holidays you can try a wide range of holiday clubs and activities including visiting the panto, attending magic workshops at the town hall and attending a winter wonderland.

The sessions will provide you opportunities to try new activities, learn new skills, have fun, make friends and enjoy a free meal every day.



Chase Lane Writer of the Week

Name: Nicole

Class: Hazel

The kind Wolf

One sunny morning, I was merrily cleaning my forest and all of a sudden I heard footsteps. I peeped out of the side of an oak tree and saw a little girl. She was rather suspicious and was wearing all red. She had a big silky hood on the top of her forehead. 'Whats your name little girl.' I asked. 'Little Red Riding hood.' She replied. 'Where are you going?' I kindly asked her. 'To my grans.' She said. 'Should I come with you this a big forest.' The wolf said. 'No way this is none of your business go away.' The girl said. 'Do not be so rude.' I said while my eyes were about to burst open with tears.

I need to teach her a lesson I thought. I headed down the rocky path and headed to her grans small cottage. 'Hello.' I said while shaking her cold hand. 'Hello.' She replied nicely. 'Your grand daughter was rather mean to me.' I told her.

'Are you sure it was her?' The grandma asked me.

'Yes I am.' I said confidently.

I think we should teach her a lesson. I told her.

'Ok but you will need to role-play.' The gran said.

'Please may you give me your cloak and glasses.' I asked her.

'Alright.' The grandma said.

Before I knew it I was in a lovely silky cloth and laid in the rock-hard bed.

All of a sudden, I heard a rough knock.

'Hello.' I said politely.

'Hi gran.' Little Red Riding hood said.

'She laid on my hairy legs and asked me a couple questions.

'What big ears you have gran.' Little Red Riding hood exclaimed.

'All the better to hear you with.' I replied very nervously.

'What big eyes you have gran.' Little Red Riding hood said.

'All the better to see you with Little Red Riding Hood.' I said.

'What big teeth you have grandma.' Little Red Riding Hood said.

'All the better to eat you with.' I shouted as loud as I possibly could.

'Help Help Help.' Little red riding hood shouted.

The wood cutter was nearby and ran in.

'What are you doing Wolf.' The woodcutter shouted.

'I was just teaching her a lesson she was being extremely mean to I was just trying to lend her a hand but she just started to burst out with the meanest words ever.' I told the Nice Woodcutter.

'Fine I will not be mean to you.' Little Red Riding hood said.

'Well we will see May do again so I taught her a lesson.' I told them all.

'I won't I promise.' Little Red Riding Hood said.

'Well we will see about that.' I said Merrily.

Since then this exact Wolf was given a name the kind Wolf. The kind Wolf loved this name because he truly thought he was one of the kindest person ever that you have seen.

Chase Lane Writer of the Week

Name: *Raphoella*

Class: *Sylamore*

*1485 March
27th*

Dear Diary,

Today I met William Montague when I turned back in time. While he was caring for his horse.

I went to say 'hello' but I was over the world nervous. As I said hello, I looked around and saw how pretty the stables were so pretty and posh and looked so old. William stated "Have you been here before?" I replied "No I haven't."

Suddenly, we became friends he showed me around the chambers. They were extraordinary I couldn't believe my eyes. Was I in a dream? What time period was I in was I in? William claimed that they have good food!

I couldn't believe it I was invited to stay at Hampton Court Palace by my new friend William Montague. I was so nervous, what if I did something wrong. "WHAT AM I GOING to do!" I shouted as I paced around the room. That day I was so so extremely nervous and anxious! When I got there I tried to keep calm but I couldn't.

I was so amazed I was going to stay at Hampton Court Palace. As one of their servants took me to my room they told me about a banquet. I was so confused, how As I settled in, I kept think about the banquet. The next day at nine the banquet started.

It was the most posh thing I have ever seen in my life. There were beautiful orange, red and yellow flowers sitting on the brown, circular table. There were lovely ladies wearing petticoats and extremely tight corsets. The banquet was very posh. The food tasted like candyland in one it was delicious.

Chase Lane Writer of the Week

Name: Olivia Anastasi

Class: Willow

This day started off rather normally, but after long I heard footsteps, very gentle ones. A girl with a white dress and red hood passed me all on her own. I followed her until I had the courage to say "Hello little girl, where are you going on such a fine day?" It took her time to reply but she finally said Hello Wolf, I'm little red riding Hood and I am going to grandmas house."

I played it innocently by saying "are you on all on your own." But I regretted saying that because I didn't like her response "Why is it your business Wolf." Well after that I found out that I was quite sensitive with words and I went red with anger. That was it!

I had to teach her a lesson.....

It all came together in my mind now. I followed her down the pathway until the darkness in the forest faded and I saw a small cottage in the distance. I hurried in front of her so I got there before her. I finally got there in time and knocked as loud as I can so grandma can hear me. I heard the old shrivelled up voice say "Who is it?"

I replied saying "Hello grandma," I am not here to hurt you or harm you, I am here to say that I've heard ~~say~~ some disrespectful things from your granddaughter." "Oh my dear, come come!" She replied briefly.

I sat on the edge of the bed and started talking, "So Grandma I am here because....." I tried to act innocent "uhh that's right, there are some concerns with your granddaughter who is typically rude and needs to be taught at least a lesson, a short lesson."