

Seasons Greetings

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been very busy in school this week. The children have coped really well despite the change in weather conditions and behaved extremely well.

I would like to extend special thanks to the families that braved the elements this week, especially on Monday to make sure your children came in to school. I appreciate this took some effort.

On Tuesday, our Reception children treated us to their Christmas concert and on Wednesday the Nursery children had theirs. It was great to see so many parents and relations coming to see the children perform. Well done to all our children and the staff for their hard work in preparing the performances.

Tuesday was an especially busy day. Children enjoyed their Christmas lunch with an added sing along to Wham's 'Last Christmas' in the canteen hall. Later that afternoon, Reception ClassDojo winners enjoyed their reward, a movie afternoon.

Year 1 & 2 children had a fantastic time at the Friends of Chase Lane PTA event after school on Wednesday. The children showed off their best party moves in the hall.

Yesterday the whole school enjoyed their class parties and of course a visit from Santa for the younger children.

We hope you enjoyed the staff carol singing this morning and even managed to sing along with us!

Ofsted

Ofsted (Office for Standards in Education) inspects schools to ensure that outcomes for children are the best they could possibly be. They check a wide range of things that schools do that all fall under the categories of 'Quality of Education', 'Leadership and Management', 'Personal Development' and 'Behaviour and attitudes'. Those of you that have Ofsted experience will know that schools are not allowed to state the final outcome of the inspection until the final report has been published. Due to the timing of the inspection, this will not be until next year, hopefully, by the end of January. Despite this, I must acknowledge the hard work that every single member of staff has put in, they are all amazing!

Inspectors spoke to more children than they ever have before. They spoke with staff from all teams and at all levels from support staff, ECTs (early career teachers) to myself. They spoke with governors, heard the view of parents and surveyed staff and children alike.

The feedback at all levels was fantastically positive and consistent and left me quite humbled to see how as a community we share the same thoughts about our provision. I am desperate to give you all of the details as there are so many positive messages but at this point I am unable to.

Well done to everyone, parents, children, staff and governors for continuing to make Chase Lane such an amazing community to be part of!

Finally, I would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a safe and peaceful break. Whether or not you celebrate Christmas, I hope you have the opportunity to spend some quality time with your family and friends. Remember, school reopens on Tuesday 3rd January 2023 at the usual time.

Best wishes
Mr Jeffery



Reception Admissions 2023

If your child was born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 they are due to start primary school from September 2023.

The closing date for applications is **15th January 2023**. All applications are carried out online for Waltham Forest Schools. The following link will take you directly to the admissions website: <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk> where you can begin to complete your e-admissions application online with the borough.

Absence

Parents/carers are kindly reminded that if your child is going to be absent from school you must make sure that you inform the school by either emailing the absence email absence@clpwaltham.org.uk or by leaving a message on the school's answer machine.



Parents/carers need to inform the school's office everyday of your child's absence. Alternately, if you receive a SchoolPing absence message because you did not log your child's absence with us, or we could not get you during our daily welfare calls, please ring the office back.

We thank you for your continued co-operation.

Attendance

Please be aware that any holiday absence requests taken directly before or after a school holiday as well as during term time will go unauthorised. It is important that children maintain high attendance to allow them to reach their full potential and avoid falling behind in their learning. Children will get a cold from time to time but on the whole, are generally well enough to attend school.



Please familiarise yourself with the school calendar on page 3 of this newsletter because the school will not authorise any term time holiday taken.

Please be reminded that if your child has a medical appointment, you must notify the school office and provide proof of the appointment in advance of picking up your child.

Snow Days

On Monday children and staff enjoyed the snow in school. Here are some photos:



Play & Stay

Play & Stay sessions will restart on **Monday 9th January 2023**



Waltham Forest Residents' News

Click the links below to views the latest Waltham Forest Residents' News:

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Although careers is usually something discussed in secondary school, at Chase Lane we would like to get the children thinking about the wealth of possibilities opened to them when they reach adulthood.

In the spirit of this, we would initially like to ask anyone that would be able to give a few minutes to talk about their line of employment to get in touch! It doesn't matter whether you work for Morrisons or Microsoft, it would be great for the children to hear about different aspects of a wide range of jobs.



It would be wonderful if you could come into school but we could also accommodate people remotely as we could potentially arrange a Teams meeting where you could talk for a minute or two about what you do and the children could have the opportunity to ask a few questions about your work.

We are hoping that this will be a chance to get the children considering what different jobs look like and quite simply to know that different jobs exist that they may never have thought of before!

Please get in touch if you can spare ten or fifteen minutes by calling the school office 0208 529 6827 emailing the office chaselanepri@clpwaltham.org.uk with the subject 'Careers'.

Thank you in advance
Mrs Jarvis

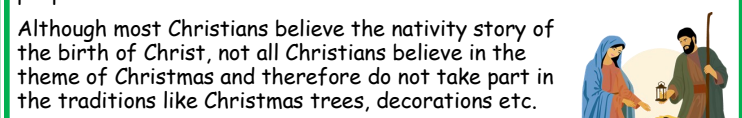
Christmas

Today the autumn term ends for our school community and some families will begin to prepare for Christmas. So what is Christmas and why do so many people celebrate it?

Here are some facts about Christmas and what it means to different people:

Well Christmas is known a time when many Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, which they believe is the son of God. However, not everyone that celebrates Christmas is Christian. In fact, many people who do call themselves 'Christians' don't celebrate Christmas.

Although most Christians believe the nativity story of the birth of Christ, not all Christians believe in the theme of Christmas and therefore do not take part in the traditions like Christmas trees, decorations etc.



Did you know that the word Christmas is not actually found anywhere in the bible (the book that most Christians read and believe)?

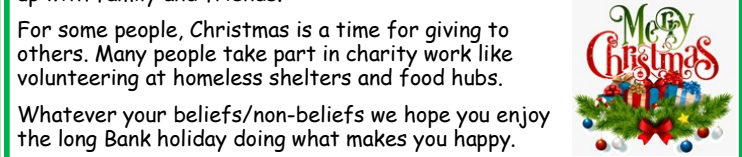
Did you know that not all Christians celebrate Christmas on the same day?

In countries with large populations of Orthodox Christians, such as the Ukraine and Romania, Christmas Day actually falls on 7th January. Some Greek Orthodox Christians celebrate Christmas on 7 January too.

For non-faith families, Christmas holidays is a time to spend catching up with family and friends.

For some people, Christmas is a time for giving to others. Many people take part in charity work like volunteering at homeless shelters and food hubs.

Whatever your beliefs/non-beliefs we hope you enjoy the long Bank holiday doing what makes you happy.



D&T Christmas Challenge

The teachers at Chase Lane have been busy making pop-up and sliding Christmas cards for each other!

Why don't you have a go at creating a beautiful hand-made card that pops up and slides for someone special! It could be for Mum, Dad, Grandparents, Siblings or even your teacher!

Don't forget to take a picture and upload it onto Seesaw for everyone to see your amazing work!



Attendance 5th December - 9th December 2022

Well done to the following classes for achieving the highest attendance percentage in their Year Groups :- over 96%. The minimum target for attendance each week as set by the Government is 96%.

| Year Group | Class | Attendance % |
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| Year 2 | Ash | 96 |
| Year 5 | Hazel | 96.5 |

During the above period our overall school attendance was 91.4 %.

School Uniform

Polite reminder to ensure that all your child's items of school uniform are clearly labelled.



School Uniform

- grey hoodie
- grey long-sleeved shirt
- green long-sleeved shirt
- white short-sleeved shirt
- green short-sleeved shirt
- grey long-sleeved shirt
- white short-sleeved shirt
- green short-sleeved shirt

If your child does happen to take home an item of uniform that belongs to another child by mistake, please ensure it is returned to school and given to its rightful owner.

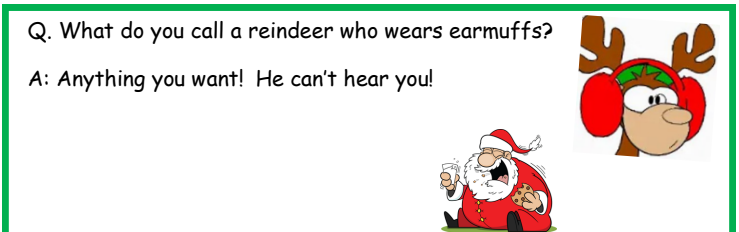
Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



Joke of the Week

Q. What do you call a reindeer who wears earmuffs?

A: Anything you want! He can't hear you!



Term Dates 2022-2023

Chase Lane Primary School and Nursery Unit Calendar 2022-2023

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| Inset Days | Bank Holidays | School Holidays |



WALTHAM FOREST HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME

WINTER HOLIDAY FUN

Monday 19 - Thursday 22 December 2022
10:00 - 15:00
SCORE CENTRE, E10 5JY

Scan the QR code to book your place now & find out more:



<https://leytonorienttrust.coordinate.cloud/project/36898>

ARE YOU AGED BETWEEN 8-14 YEARS OLD?
IN RECEIPT OF BENEFIT RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS?
DO YOU LIVE OR GO TO A SCHOOL IN WALTHAM FOREST?

Leyton Orient Trust are excited to announce 4 days of FREE multi-sports activities for you to enjoy during your Winter holiday.

Each day will include a wide range of sports, nutritional workshops and our Youth Zone activities such as PlayStation & board games + not to forget...FREE lunch!

Come along and try new activities, learn new skills, have fun & make friends!

Contact us on:
0208 556 5973
enquiries@leytonorienttrust.org.uk
Instagram: @leytonorienttrust
Twitter: @lotrust

Waltham Forest



Flu Vaccination Clinics

Has your child missed their Flu Vaccination at school?



It's not too late...

PROTECT YOUR CHILD AGAINST FLU THIS WINTER

IT'S FREE!

THIS IS A SCHOOL BASED PROGRAMME
To contact your local school team go to our website: www.schoolvaccination.uk

Vaccination UK

We are running catch up clinics in your area for the following age groups:

Flu Vaccinations: Reception - Year 9

If you would like an appointment to attend, please email us at: appointments@v-uk.co.uk or call 0203 343 2400



WINTER WONDERLAND Party

FREE EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY.

Disco, Dancing and Games
Food Workshops
Craft Activities
Messy Play
FREE Lunch For All Families

WED 21ST DEC

GHOUSIA GROVE ROAD HALL E17 9BU
SESSION 1 - 10:30AM - 1PM
SESSION 2 - 2:30PM - 5PM

GET IN CONTACT FOR THE BOOKING LINK
✉ TERI@MAKINGITMINDFUL.CO.UK
☎ 07403821666
f [MAKINGITMINDFULUK](https://www.facebook.com/MAKINGITMINDFULUK)
i [MAKINGITMINDFULUK](https://www.instagram.com/MAKINGITMINDFULUK)
www.makingitmindful.co.uk

THIS IS A FAMILY EVENT FOR CHILDREN AGED 5 - 11 YEARS WHO RECEIVE BENEFIT RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS. (OLDER AND YOUNGER SIBLINGS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN!)

Waltham Forest

