

**Theme of the week:**

We have continued to remind children about our expectations of Ready, Respectful, Kind and Safe. If we discuss behaviour with children, we use these words to “wrap” our conversations, for example “I noticed that you ran to the front of the line and bumped into Paul. That wasn’t very safe because Paul got bumped and hurt. What could you do differently next time so that Paul was safe?” or “I noticed that you went over to Susie when she fell over to see if she was ok. Thank you for being kind to her.” Children receiving values awards this week have all shown these values this week in a particularly noticeable way.

**Value of the week:**

Minibeasts: Juniper Z  
Minibeasts: Honor-Rose T  
Tigers: Charlie P  
Zebras: Liam B  
Turtles: Izzy  
Penguins: Florian R  
Panthers: Riley Pe  
Lions: Harvey  
Squirrels: Annabelle  
Eagles: Samuel  
Meerkats: Willam P  
Bumblebees: Sam B

**Achiever of the week:**

Minibeasts: Isla B  
Minibeasts: Charlotte W  
Tigers: Lucas B  
Zebras: Rory K  
Turtles: Adam  
Penguins: Kieran D  
Panthers: Josh W  
Lions: Lucy and Noah  
Squirrels: Archie  
Eagles: Layla  
Meerkats: Jack B  
Bumblebees: Joey M

**Notes, reminders and changes for next week:**

<b>Monday</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Christmas Dinner Year 3 Girls’ Focus Festival (selected children)
<b>Thursday</b>	Year 3 will not be going to Specialisms for PE today – please collect from the Officer’s Mess Site.
<b>Friday</b>	Christmas Decoration Day Year 5/6 Advent Workshop Selected children to Oxfordshire Cross Country event

**Nursery and Reception Reminders:**

Please could we remind parents of children in Reception to ensure Learning pots are in Book Bags every day. If children don’t have their learning pots with them, we can’t add new words and give them opportunities to attempt new challenges. Thank you.

Tickets are not required for the EYFS performance and all are welcome.

PLEASE make sure your child has learned their lines for the Christmas performance! Elves have larger speaking parts and need to be reminded to speak with a steady, clear voice. These speaking parts were sent home a few weeks ago and a second copy sent home this week. Children with one or two lines will bring them home this afternoon to learn over the weekend. Please support the children as this will make our Christmas Nativity extra special!

Reminder that Elf costumes for the Narrators and base layers for all other children MUST be sent into school next week in a labelled carrier bag.

2Simple evidence of children reading their school book and independent writing would be much appreciated this week. We still have some families that have not yet 'taken the leap' and submitted electronic evidence. If you have any issues with 2simple, please talk to or email Mrs Walker.

### **Year 5 and 6 Advent Workshop:**

We have been invited to take all our Year 5 and 6 children to an advent workshop at the chapel. This is led by the team at the chapel, and is designed to get children thinking about different aspects of advent.

### **Residential update – children currently in Year 5:**

Residential letters are attached with the newsletter for year 4 and 5 children ready for their upcoming residential.

### **Uniform:**

Some children are not wearing their correct jumpers to school and are wearing sports hoodies. If a child does wear something that is not uniform, they are asked to take this off as it is not school uniform. These are not appropriate as a coat as it would not be waterproof. We want to ensure we get outside in all weather so please ensure your child's coat is waterproof and warm. Note that we do have "wet play" arrangements if the weather is too bad, but we try to avoid this if possible as children need fresh air and exercise.

### **Allergies:**

Please be aware that we have several children with a severe allergic reaction to nuts. Therefore, please do not send nuts of any variety into school, either for snacks or for packed lunches. This includes peanut butter, Nutella (both the spread from a jar and the pots for dipping) and also includes snack bars that contain nuts.

### **Staffing Update:**

Today we say goodbye to Miss Herbert, who has been working with us in Nursery, and more recently in Wraparound. She has been a real asset to the team and we will miss her. The good news is that Miss Weldrake is moving from working in KS1 to working in Nursery in this role. She already works in Nursery two sessions a week (Wednesday morning and Friday afternoon) and children are familiar with her. It will be Miss Weldrake that brings those children

from Nursery booked into Wraparound from 3-5pm up to join the rest of the Wraparound team and looks after them until 5pm. This arrangement will start from next Monday.

This week we have conducted some interviews and other interviews will be held next week – more information when available!



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**Dates for your diary:**

Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3 Girls' Focus Festival (afternoon – selected children in Year 3) – they will be able to get their Christmas dinner in first!!
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5 and 6 – advent workshop at the chapel
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Decoration Day across Primary – volunteers welcome! Year 5 and 6 will spend some time on another day decorating too, as they will be out for much of the morning.
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Selected children to Oxfordshire Cross Country Event (we have 5 children selected after the Bicester area event last week!)
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	School Vision Screening (NHS) – Reception only.
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 dress rehearsal to the rest of the Primary school (afternoon)
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas Play 2pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas Play 6pm
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery and Reception Christmas Play (SC) 2pm
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm (for parents and carers Years 3-6)
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Secondary Rewards Trip
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Concert (whole school)
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Y10 Parents' Evening from 2pm (Primary children have normal finish times that day)
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Last day of term
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Inset day for staff (no children in school)

Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Children return to school
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*Have a lovely weekend. Mrs. Hughes*