



**Headteacher**  
**Miss K Greenway**

22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024

Dear Parents

Two more weeks seem to have just flown past, the weather has definitely changed and got colder, and I can't believe that I am mentioning Christmas things in this newsletter!! Please remember if you are unsure or don't understand something written in this newsletter, please ask.

#### School Grounds Working Party

A HUGE thank you to all the families that came and helped on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November picking up leaves, and generally tidying the school grounds. The weather was kind to us and by the time everyone left, the grounds looked great. We couldn't have done it without you. Please see the before and after photos on the website [Parsonage Farm Nursery and Infant School - School Grounds Day](#). Unfortunately, lots more leaves have come down since and it doesn't look quite as great now.

#### Internet Safety Workshop for Parents

Thank you to the few parents who joined this workshop with Paul Hay. The feedback was that it was very useful. The children and staff also had workshops during the day and learnt lots of important things.

#### Lunchtime Supervisor

We have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor to join our team as soon as possible, supporting in Year R at lunchtimes from 11.45 – 12.45pm. If you love working with children and would like to help our children have great lunchtimes, this job could be for you. It will involve helping the children with their lunch, supervising and playing with the children on the playground and being part of the team. If you are interested, please ask in the school office for an application form. Please return your completed application by **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November**.

#### Road Safety Day

Thank you for helping your child to make a Road Safety Hero mask – I have seen lots of really creative masks and the children have enjoyed sharing them in class. The children have also talked about road safety today and taken part in different activities throughout the day. Pictures will be added to the school website next week.

#### FOPS

Please don't forget to buy your tickets for the Rainbow Raffle and for the Festive Family Fun Event on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December from 10am to 12pm. If you can help at this event, FOPs still need more volunteers.

#### Reindeer Run                      Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

We are looking forward to The Reindeer Run on the afternoon of Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December. You are welcome to come and stand on the playground and watch your child and their year group running round. When your child's year group has finished, please can you leave the playground so that the

next year group parents can come onto the playground. FOPS will set up tea and coffee in Cherry Blossom Hall during the afternoon which you can help yourselves to in exchange for a donation for Phyllis Tuckwell. The approximate timings will be:

- 1.15 – 1.35 Yr 2 (Daffodils and Bluebells)
- 1.35 – 1.55 Yr 1 (Sunflowers and Tulips)
- 1.55 – 2.10 Yr R (Poppies and Snowdrops)
- 2.10– 2.20 Nursery (Daisies)

Your child will have already brought their sponsor form home so let's see how much we can raise for Phyllis Tuckwell.

#### Golden Rabbit Assembly      Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm

This is a special assembly once a term, when three children from each class (not Daisies) are presented with a Golden Rabbit Certificate for exceptional academic progress. If your child is receiving a certificate, their class teacher will speak to you the week before. Everyone is welcome to the assembly even if their child is not receiving a certificate.

#### Christmas Post box

There will be a Christmas post box in the hall and the children can bring in cards for their friends from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Please make sure you put the child's name and their class on the envelope. We can send a class list home (first names only) if you would like one. If anybody does not want their child's name on a list that will be sent home, then please let your child's class teacher know by Wed 27<sup>th</sup> November – either verbally or email the year group email. We will organise these lists over the next few days and they will be available from Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November from class teachers.

#### Christmas Performances      Daisies, Year R, Year 1 and Year 2

As you will have seen from the dates on the last newsletters, each year group will be doing a Christmas performance in the hall for parents to come and watch – one morning performance and one afternoon performance (Daisies are both morning performances).

You can have a maximum of 4 'tickets' for each child – but you can only use 2 per performance – for example, if your child is in Year 1, two family members can watch the Year 1 morning performance and two family members can watch the Year 1 afternoon performance. If you have a toddler and they need a seat (rather than sitting on your lap) you will need to get a ticket for them (within your 4 tickets).

As last year, you will need to use Arbor to book your tickets – go onto Arbor/School Shop and you will see the different performances listed (but you do not need to pay anything!!)

You will be able to book tickets from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> until Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December. If all tickets have not been allocated at this point, we will let you know and you may be able to book another ticket if you need/would like one.

This booking system worked last year and saved lots of time in the office. You will not be given a ticket, but we will have a list of everyone who has booked a seat for each performance and will check this when you come to watch. Any questions, please just ask.

#### Costume Letters

We will be asking you to help with 'costumes' or 'Christmassy clothes' for our Christmas performances please. Nursery and Year R parents will have received an email/letter today. Year 1 and Year 2 parents will receive a letter/email next week. Please ask your child's class teacher if you are not sure or need help with this.

### Dunelm

If you would like to help someone at Christmas, I have been told that in Dunelm, they have a Christmas tree upstairs with tags on. You choose a tag, buy the gift on the tag and take it back to the store by the date on the tag, unwrapped and in a gift bag. Dunelm then deliver the gift to a person in need.

### Spotlight UK

Have launched their Christmas Toy Appeal and have organised a collection point at Morrisons in Farnborough and would be grateful if any of our families would like to donate this year. If you would like to donate new and unwrapped toys, then please do by taking them to Morrisons by 12th Dec.

### Requests

With all the colds, coughs and other bugs that are currently going around, we are using lots of tissues and hand soap when making sure children wash their hands. If anybody could donate a box of tissues or a bottle of hand soap, that would be really appreciated. Just give them to your child's class teacher. Thank you.

Have a good weekend.

Take care.

Miss Greenway

### **Dates for Diaries**

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| Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov   | 2.30pm Rocksteady Concert   |
| Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec    | 10am – 12pm FOPS Festive Family Fun Event                                     |
| Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | pm Reindeer Run – in aid of Phyllis Tuckwell<br>2.30pm Golden Rabbit Assembly |
| Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | 2pm Year 2 Christmas Performance  |
| Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | 9.15am Daisies Christmas Performance  |
| Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec | 9.15am Year 2 Christmas Performance   |
| Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | 9.15am Daisies Christmas Performance  |
| Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | 9.15am Year 1 Christmas Performance<br>2pm Year R Christmas Performance       |
| Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | 9.15am Year R Christmas Performance<br>2pm Year 1 Christmas Performance       |
| Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | pm Christmas Parties  |
| Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec | Christmas Lunch   |
| Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | 1.15pm Finish – last day of term  |

### **INSET DAYS**

**Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Jan**

**Fri 4<sup>th</sup> July**

**Mon 7<sup>th</sup> July**

### Year Group Emails

Daisies - [nursery@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk](mailto:nursery@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk)

Poppies and Snowdrops – [yearr@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk](mailto:yearr@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk)

Tulips and Sunflowers – [year1@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk](mailto:year1@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk)

Bluebells and Daffodils – [year2@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk](mailto:year2@parsonagefarm.hants.sch.uk)