



Newsletter 1st December

Dear all,

It's starting to feel a lot like Christmas! The trees are up- a huge thank you to Mr Heath, Ms Pummell and the children who collected the tree, and of course Yew Tree Garden Centre for their kind donation! The Christmas Post Box is in place. Children can use this to post their Christmas cards for their friends in school. They must make sure the first name, last name and class is on the envelope so they can be delivered to the right person!

Acorn and Oak class have been busy rehearsing their nativity and I think parents will be in for a real treat on Thursday. Robin and Oak have been practicing their singing for their carol concert the following week and it sounds beautiful.

From Monday we will be accepting donations for our very popular Secret Shopping on Friday. These can be placed under the barn on the correct tables. If you could bring gifts in carrier bags and have already sorted them into either male, female or child appropriate gifts, that would be extremely helpful!

On Tuesday FOBS have organised a wreath making evening- a lovely way to raise some money!

We look forward to welcoming you in school, or at the church, for our Christmas celebrations!

Have a great weekend!

Beulah

Mrs Beulah Letchford, Headteacher

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who received a **Golden Rules** certificate in our Celebration assembly this week: Lettie, Eleanor T, Harry H, Jackson, Emma, Bonnie S, Phoebe

Congratulations to the following children who received a **School Values** certificate in our Celebration assembly this week: Molly, Ella L, Rocco, George, Scarlett, Polly, Vinnie, Toby.

Sports News

Y5/6 Football

Our Y5/6 football team played their West Berkshire league matches at Park House School on Monday. They had four matches. They played some good football, linking really well, scored some great goals, and made some great saves! They won two matches, drew

one, and lost their final match to the unbeaten winners. So although they didn't qualify for the finals, they came second in their league, earning silver medals. Well done Dylan, Ben, Kacper, Pip, Harry H, Carter and Toby!



Santa Fun Run

A huge well done to children and parents who took part in the Newbury Santa Fun Run on Sunday morning. Runners ran either 1km or 5km dressed in Santa suits! It was amazing to see the children really push themselves and complete the runs so well. An amazing amount of money was raised for FOBS too- over £450! Thank you to Mrs Thompson for organising and to all the children who took part: Eleanor T, Ed, Daisy, Eleanor D, Emma, Bea, Molly, Elsie V, Elsie O, Caleb, Shayla, Ella, Sophia and Rose!



'My Wild Life' photography competition

The Base Gallery are launching a photography competition for children. Please follow the link for some more information ['My Wild Life' Photography Competition](http://thebasegreenham.co.uk) (thebasegreenham.co.uk)

Plea to parents!

We would really love some volunteers to listen to children read. Please speak to Mrs Letchford or Miss Pummell if you are able to - even 10 minutes of your day would be very much appreciated!

Our school hall Christmas tree has unfortunately seen better days! If anyone has an artificial tree they are replacing this year and is too good for the bin, we would love to give it a new home! Please let Miss Pummell know if you have one.

Support App

We wanted to make parents aware of this app which points parents in the direction for advice and support in many of the areas of challenge that being a parent can present: Hub of hope app <https://hubofhope.co.uk/>

Dates for the Diary

Each newsletter we will publish the dates of events happening during the term. Please be aware these may change and therefore it is important to check them each week. We will highlight changes in red when they first appear. Not every event is relevant to every parent. Look out for further information or letters with more detailed information for the events relevant to you.

Monday 27 th November	4.00pm Y5/6 Football Competition @ Park House - selected children only
Monday 4 th December	Secret Shopping donations in under the barn each day this week
Tuesday 5 th December	Y5/6 Football @ Oakley - selected children only
Thursday 7 th December	YR & KS1 Nativity - 2pm & 6pm
Friday 8 th December	Secret Shopping!
Monday 11 th December	Art Competition entries in: 'Christmas' Share & Celebrate
Tuesday 12 th December	Panto @ The Watermill - whole school
Thursday 14 th December	6.00pm KS2 Carol Service @ Burghclere Church
Friday 15 th December	10.30am whole school Christmas service @ Burghclere Church - families welcome Christmas lunch & Christmas jumper day! End of Term
Tuesday 2 nd January	INSET Day
Wednesday 3 rd January	First Day of Spring Term
Friday 5 th January	3.15-4.15pm Young Voices rehearsals (hall)
Friday 12 th January	3.15-4.15pm Young Voices rehearsals (hall)
Monday 15 th January	Young Voices - Robin & Falcon Class
Monday 22 nd January	Art Competition entries in: 'Winter'

Friday 9 th February	End of Term
Monday 19 th February	First Day of Term
Monday 26 th February	Art Competition entries in: 'Love'
Monday 25 th March	Art Competition entries in: 'Animals'
Thursday 28 th March	End of Term
Monday 15 th April	INSET Day
Tuesday 16 th April	First Day of Summer Term
Monday 22 nd April	Art Competition entries in: 'Spring Time'
Monday 20 th May	Art competition entries in: 'Nature'
Friday 24 th May	End of Term
Monday 3 rd June	First Day of Term
Monday 24 th June	Art Competition entries in: 'Water'
Tuesday 23 rd July	End of Term