



# Peartree Spring Primary School Newsletter — 30/11/2023

## School Meals

**KS2 children** - The price of a school meal is **£3.00 per day, £15.00 per week**, unless your child is in receipt of Free School Meals. Ordering your child's lunches and payments are to be made via SchoolGrid. **Please note** - children's meals **MUST** be paid for in advance, unless you have set up a direct debit with SchoolGrid. **SchoolGrid** - If your child is absent from school due to illness, it is the parent's responsibility to cancel their own child's lunch by 8.50am on the day, otherwise you may incur a charge for the meal.

**Special Dietary Requirements** - Please be advised that if your child has any special dietary requirements, you will need to apply for a special menu for your child directly through Hertfordshire Catering Limited (HCL). Special menus available include Dairy Free, Vegan, Egg Free & Vegetarian, Pork Free, Beef Free, Beef & Pork Free and Pescetarian. To apply, simply go to <https://specialmenu.hc.co.uk>  
**REMINDER** - Due to some of our children having severe nut allergies, please do not put items in your child's packed lunch box that contains nuts, this includes Nutella.

**Free School Meals** - If you think that your child/ren could be entitled to Free School Meals please apply directly through the HCC Website - [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals)

## PE Noticeboard

**Year 6 Rowing Competition** - Congratulations to our team who took part in the SSFT Primary Rowing Competition on Tuesday - they were the overall winners! What an amazing achievement - well done!



## NOTICES

**School Closure** - A reminder that school will be closed on:

**Friday 1st December - Inset Day**

**Monday 4th December - Occasional Day**



**Alzheimer's Day (Elf/non-uniform)** - This is being held on **Wednesday 6th December** - a flyer with further information has already been emailed to parents. Years 1, 3 and 5 children visiting the pantomime on this day are welcome to wear their costumes to the theatre.

**Pantomime visit for children in Years 1 to 6** - A reminder that children, whose parents have consented/made payment, will be attending the pantomime on:

**Tuesday 5th December - Years 2, 4 & 6**

**Wednesday 6th December - Years 1, 3 & 5**

Children will require a home packed lunch or they can pre-order the chilled option via SchoolGrid. Children/staff will return back to school for **approximately 4.30pm** - children are to be collected from their outside classroom door by an adult (over 16 years). **Only the main pedestrian and zebra crossing gates will be open for collection.**

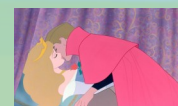


**Christmas performances** - A flyer with further details for booking places will be emailed to parents later today. The booking system will be open from **Saturday 2nd December 2023**. See calendar on page 2 of this newsletter for dates/times of performances.

**Save the Children Winter Jumper Day** - This event is being held on **Thursday 7th December 2023**. A flyer with further details is being emailed to parents today.

**Under 11s 2023 - Application process for applying for Reception place for September 2024** - The application process for applying for a Reception place for September 2024 for children born between 1 September 2019 and 31st August 2020 is now open. All the information you need to apply is available on the Hertfordshire County Council website at [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions). The closing date for applications is **Monday 15th January 2024**.

**Christmas Lights** - We will be switching our Christmas lights on today. The school will be open each evening to 6.00pm for you to come and take pictures if you wish - this will run until the end of term.



# December 2023



Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
				IN SET Day (school closed)		
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
Occasional Day (school closed)	Flu Vaccinations (Rec to Yr 6)  Yrs 2, 4 & 6 visit to the Pantomime (afternoon performance)	Yrs 1, 3 & 5 visit to the Pantomime (afternoon performance)  Alzheimer's Day (Elf/non-uniform Day)	Secret Santa (during the school day)  Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day			
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
Yr 2 Christmas performance @ 9.30am  Yr 3 Christmas performance at 1.45pm	Yr 1 Christmas performance @ 9.30am  Yr 2 Christmas performance at 2.15pm  Yr 3 Christmas performance @ 6.30pm	Reception Christmas performance @ 9.30am  Yr 1 Christmas performance @ 2.15pm	Reception Christmas performance @ 2.15pm			
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>				
	Christmas Dinner Day	End of term - school finishes at 1.30pm				

## Birthdays

**Reception** - Russhin O, Mila S, Sofia-Bella B

**Year 1** - Rio R

**Year 2** - Logan J, Oscar P, Amber S, Christopher P

**Year 3** - Max C

**Year 4** - Thomas P, Daphne S

**Year 5** - Alicia N, Harrison B

**Year 6** - Leandra O

## Whole School Attendance (%)

1st	Squirrel	97%
2nd	Jellyfish	96.7%
3rd	Amazon	95.3
4th	Rainforest	95.2
5th	Desert	95%
6th	Bumblebee	94.7%
6th	Savannah	94.7%
7th	Rabbit	94%
8th	Starfish	94%
9th	Java	93.8%
10th	Ladybird	93.7%
11th	Nile	91.9%
12th	Thames	91%
13th	Butterfly	90.7%
14th	Rainbowfish	90%
15th	Hedgehog	89.7%
16th	Rockies	89.3%
17th	Coral	88.3%
18th	Alps	83.3%
18th	Caspian	81.9%
19th	Pyrenees	80.3%