



Peartree Spring Primary School Newsletter — 19/12/2025

School Meals

KS2 children - The price of a school meal is £3.45 per day, £17.25 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 Pescatarian. To apply, simply go to <https://specialmenu.hcl.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.

PE Noticeboard

Bowling - Last week some of our children attended the KS2 10-Pin Bowling Festival.



They developed their communication and teamwork skills. Well done to Isaac for achieving the highest score in our group.



Futsal - Well done to the Year 6 boys and girls who took part in the Futsal competition recently. It was great to see both teams supporting and encouraging each other to do their best. Well done!

End of Term

(early finish)

End of Term - Children finish school today, **Friday 19th December 2025** at 1.30pm. There will be **NO** After School Club on this day. Children return to school on **Monday 5th January 2026**.

Breakfast club is available from 7.30am - please book via Schoolgateway.

NOTICES

Christmas Jumper Day - We raised £ 288 for this worthwhile charity.

Carols in your Coat - Thank you to everyone who came this morning and participated in this event - a great time was had by all. Thank you for your generous donations.



Christmas Dinner - Thank you to the HCL team for providing children and staff with a delicious Christmas dinner yesterday.

Reception WOW day - The children had a wonderful time riding the on Polar Express on Tuesday.



MP's Christmas Card Competition - Today, we had a very special visit from Kevin Bonavia, Member of Parliament for Stevenage. He presented **Eddie H (Year 5)** with a prize for winning his Christmas Card Competition.

Reception 2026 admissions - The application process for applying for a Reception place for September 2026 for children born between 1 September 2021 and 31st August 2022 is now open. All the information you need to apply is available on the Hertfordshire County Council website at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions. The closing date for applications is **Thursday 15th January 2026**.

Staff News - We will be welcoming Mrs Jackson (Designated Safeguarding / Attendance Lead) and Miss Massey (Teaching Assistant) to the Peartree team in January 2026.

Message from VaccinationUK - Respiratory and flu-like cases are rapidly on the rise. We urge you to ensure your child receives the flu vaccination. You have a choice between the quick and painless nasal spray or the Injection which is porcine & gelatine free. This not only protects your children against being seriously ill but also protects vulnerable members of your family and community. We have several community catch-up clinics available. Please use the link to book an appointment: [Vaccination UK Immunisation](https://www.vaccinationuk.co.uk/immunisation) If you previously declined consent for your child when we visited the school, you **CAN CHANGE** your consent. Please call our office on 01462 427008, and we will book a clinic appointment for you.

Merry Christmas to all our families and best wishes for the New Year!

January 2026

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Children return to school		Wednesday Workshops (please book via school cloud)	Year 1 Christmas Performance @ 2.15pm	Year 1 Christmas Performance @ 9.30am		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Nile Class swimming	Year 5 Space workshop (during school day)	Wednesday Workshops (please book via school cloud)	Caspian Class Assembly @ 9.15am via Livestorm Thame Class swimming	RRS Career dress up day (more info to follow soon)	Amazon Class swimming	

Birthdays

Reception - Miguel C, Rose T, Pixie D, Ivy W, Phoenix Z, Monroe B

Year 1 - Tamanna A, Noah H, Noah S, Orla-Louise H

Year 2 - Isla C, Harry P, Victor C, Elsie N, Sariiyah W

Year 3 - Christopher O, Jacob S, Amelia L, Addison A, Reece A, Makatendek M, Angel D, Freya S

Year 4 - Holly S, Alice B, Sophie S, Ryan P, Dylan A, Mia-Rose M, Oliver F, Noah K

Year 5 - Joshua P, Alexander B-M, Leo S, Stella J, Flavius F

Year 6 - Jake H, Dominic L, Teddy O, Nancy P, Jasiri B-J, Esme W, Franklyn W, Grace B, Harry B



Whole School Attendance (%)

1st	Desert	98.7%
2nd	Starfish	97.4%
3rd	Pyrenees	97.2%
4th	Alps	96.1%
5th	Savannah	95.0%
6th	Coral	94.2%
7th	Jellyfish	94.0%
7th	Thames	94.0%
8th	Bumblebee	92.1%
9th	Nile	91.9%
10th	Squirrel	91.7%
11th	Caspian	91.3%
11th	Java	91.3%
12th	Rockies	90.8%
13th	Ladybird	90.4%
14th	Rabbit	88.8%
15th	Rainforest	87.9%
16th	Hedgehog	86.2%
16th	Butterfly	86.2%
17th	Amazon	85.8%
18th	Rainbowfish	84.9%



Rabbit - Charlie L

for working exceptionally hard in his writing assessment spelling CVC words.

Butterfly - Orla H

for writing a fabulous non-chronological report about London.

Jellyfish - Remy M-H

for his amazing comic strip that explained the events of The Great Fire of London.

Desert - Tawhid K

for his wonderful use of similes and prepositions when describing an image using our senses.

Amazon - Ellie B

for putting in amazing effort with writing a diary entry in English.

Caspian - Eddie H

for his amazing effort artistic skills and winning the Christmas Card Competition from our local MP.

Alps - Alex R

for considering others when making decisions.

Stars of the Week

Hedgehog - Phoenix Z

for showing confidence and being a fabulous participant in our school play.

Bumblebee - Florence H

for her incredible writing where she was able to use 'and' to join clauses together when writing about Big Ben.

Rainbowfish - Bobby B

for his fantastic performance in the Year 2 play.

Rainforest - Reggie M

for excellent independent work, researching the Romans.

Nile - Abraham N-W

for taking such great care with his writing in English and producing a wonderfully descriptive paragraph.

Coral - Kaiden P

for his amazing attitude and determination towards all of his learning this week!

Pyrenees - Konstantin R

for his determination and perseverance when calculating fractions of an amount.



Squirrel - Adam D

for his amazing effort in phonics.

Ladybird - Jairus A

for his fantastic effort when using a number line to count backwards.

Starfish - Albie W

for his excellent effort in maths this week

Savannah - Sakura C

for her exceptional, empathetic descriptive writing about the ending of Winter's Child.

Thames - Reggie S

for your fantastic examples in English, and your diary entry



Java - Olivia R

for the exceptional effort she puts in to absolutely all of her learning.

Rockies - Lola W

for her amazing work in Arithmetic sessions in Maths.



Star Children

Reception - Jesse W, Jesse B, Marlie D, Rose T, Ella R, Monroe B, Rayhan K

Year 1 - Oliver P, Indiana M,

Year 2 - Meyyan S

Year 3 -

Year 4 - Christopher P, Freddie R, Brooke H, Adam Z

Year 5 - Kara A, Kayden B, Joey B, Evie-Mae B, Ronnie B, Alex D, Bella D, Jaxson H, Kaiden P, Matthew H, Emily B, Mylan B, Aleksandra P, Olivia R

Year 6 - Jess R, Leonard W, Georgie-Rae H, Jake H, Thomas P, Daphne S

