



# Peartree Spring Primary School Newsletter — 05/12/2025

## 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 Pescetarian. 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](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals).

## Christmas Card Competition



Congratulations go to Eddie H in Year 5 who recently won the design a Christmas Card Competition which was organised by Kevin Bonavia, MP for Stevenage. Eddie will receive his prize in due course.



**Alzheimer's Day** - It was lovely to see so many children/staff dressed as Elves on Wednesday. We raised £296 for this worthwhile charity.

**Christmas performances** - A reminder that the Eventbrite booking system for ordering tickets will close on **Sunday 7th December 2025 at 11.30pm**. Please remember to bring your tickets with you. See page 2 of this newsletter for dates/times. **Only the main pedestrian gate will be open for entry to the afternoon performances.** The Year 1 performances have been rescheduled to January 2026 - more details have been sent via text to Year 1 parents.



**Christmas Dinner** - Christmas Dinner is being served on **Thursday 18th December 2025**. If your child wishes to have a Christmas dinner, please book your child's option via SchoolGrid as soon as possible.

**Christmas Lights** - The school is open each evening until 6.00pm for you to come and take pictures if you wish - this will run until the end of term. Please can we ask that children/parents do not touch/move the decorations when taking pictures. Thank you.

**Carols in your Coat** - Further information is being emailed to parents on Thursday 11th December 2025. This event is being held on **Thursday 18th December 2025 from 9.15am** on the KS2 playground.



**Wednesday Workshops (Reception to Year 6)** - A reminder that there is NO workshop on the 10th December 2025. The last workshop for this term is being held on **Wednesday 17th December**.

**Teacher Led Clubs** - These have now finished for this term. More information for the Spring Term 2026 will be sent out after Christmas.

**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](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions). The closing date for applications is **Thursday 15th January 2026**.

**End of Term** - Children finish school on **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.

# December 2025

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Yr 2 Christmas Performance @ 9.30am  Yr 3 Christmas Performance @ 1.45pm	Yr 2 Christmas Performance @ 2.15pm  Yr 3 Christmas Performance @ 6.30pm	NO Wednesday workshop  Reception Christmas Performance @ 9.30am	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day (more details to follow soon)  Reception Christmas performance at 2.15pm			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		Wednesday Workshops (please book via school cloud)	Carols in your Coat (Years 4, 5 & 6) (more info to follow)  Children's Christmas Dinner	<b>End of Term (children finish at 1.30pm - there will be NO Mrs Brown's After School Club)</b>		

## Birthdays

Reception - Treasure A

Year 1 -

Year 2 - Mila S, Sofia-Bella B, Teddy R

Year 3 - Lacie D

Year 4 - Christopher P

Year 5 - Arabella H-L

Year 6 - Amalia S



## Whole School Attendance (%)

1st	Coral	99.1%
2nd	Rainforest	98.7%
3rd	Desert	97.8%
3rd	Amazon	97.8%
4th	Alps	97.4%
5th	Jellyfish	97.2%
6th	Starfish	97%
7th	Thames	96.3%
8th	Squirrel	95.8%
8th	Rabbit	95.8%
9th	Savannah	95.4%
10th	Rainbowfish	95.3%
11th	Java	95%
12th	Caspian	94.6%
13th	Bumblebee	94.4%
14th	Pyrenees	93.1%
15th	Butterfly	91.7%
16th	Hedgehog	90.1%
17th	Rockies	89.2%
18th	Nile	82.7%
19th	Ladybird	82.5%



### **Rabbit - Ella R**

for writing a brilliant Christmas story with Mrs Clark.

### **Butterfly - Ariana M**

for trying your best at everything that you do.

### **Jellyfish - Meyyan S**

for always being incredibly kind, thoughtful and helpful to all members of the class.

### **Desert - Thea P**

for always being a kind and caring friend and a positive role model to others.

### **Amazon - James L**

for his excellent effort with reading and spellings.

### **Caspian - Jaxson H**

for creating an amazing piece of writing; including personification, similes and expressive language.

### **Alps - Ziva M**

for her hard work using colons in her report about chimpanzees.

## **Stars of the Week**

### **Hedgehog - Mason K**

for his hard work in Maths this week, identifying 4 sided shapes.

### **Bumblebee - Aylssia A**

for always being so kind and helpful to everyone in the class.

### **Rainbowfish - Edward D**

for always working hard, participating in lessons and being a good role model.

### **Rainforest - Nell J**

for your enthusiasm during our school play rehearsals. It has been lovely to see your confidence grow. Well done Nell.

### **Nile - Matty B**

for such incredible effort on TT Rock stars and improved scores in your weekly tests.

### **Coral - Logan C**

for his incredible teamwork and kindness towards others in Cricket this week!

### **Pyrenees - Lottie C**

for her brilliant use of colons in her report about chimpanzees.



### **Squirrel - Monroe B**

for being a kind and helpful friend.

### **Ladybird - Leiana T**

for her positive attitude towards all of her learning.

### **Starfish - Joshua F**

for being a super star reader and reading everyday!

### **Savannah - Elsie H**

for her fantastic enthusiastic singing during our play rehearsals. She keeps everyone on time!

### **Thames - Alice B**

for writing a wonderful diary account using lovely expanded noun phrases.

### **Java - William P**

for his incredible vocabulary during our writing sessions.

### **Rockies - Freya S**

for her fantastic work in Maths on multiplying and dividing fractions.



## **Star Children**

**Reception -**

**Year 1 -** Chiara P, Isaac D, Axel R

**Year 2 -** Anna O, Syed A, Joe R, Juhi C, Ameera A, Sophie C, Isla C, Harry C, Victor C, Arthur L, Angel P, Michael P, Aniyah R, Albie W, Sariah W, Mateo B

**Year 3 -** Daisy E, Alex C, Isaac F

**Year 4 -** Delal B, Nuraz K, Noah K, Reggie S, Lewis C-B, Zoe M, Scarlett O, Dulcie C

**Year 5 -** Grace B, Matthew H, Raphael J, Jacob L, Nancy C, Kiana A, Lloyd T, Alex P, Maddison C, Kaiden P

**Year 6 -**

