



Headteacher's Message

This evening we will be hosting our second most important fundraiser of the year — our Christmas Shopping Evening.

The school doors will be open at 6pm and there will be a wide variety of stalls for you to peruse and kick start your Christmas shopping. It is hard to believe that Christmas is a little over 5 weeks away!

We will have a refreshment stall selling pulled pork rolls and there will be activities for the children to do whilst you browse the stalls.

We will also be selling second hand uniform.

Please come to the reception area at 6pm if you would like to join us. We hope to see you there!

Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Suzanne Cawson

School Lunches

Week commencing **21st November** we will be on **Week 1** of the new dinner menu.

Emerald Class Cake Sale

The Emerald Class Cake Sale is on 16th December at 3pm in the playground. Please could mummies and daddies donate cakes for the class to sell on this day. All proceeds will go directly to Emerald class and they will use the money to buy equipment for wet play and golden time.

Travelling Book Fair

Please note that we have cancelled our Travelling Book Fair which was scheduled for 21st November.

IMPORTANT!

Year 2 Parents

We would like to remind you that we are an Infant School and our Year 2 parents will need to apply for a place at a Junior School for September 2017.

If you pay your council tax to Surrey County Council, please go to:
www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions to apply on-line.

If you pay your council tax to Hampshire County Council please go to:
www.hants.gov.uk/admissions, even if you are applying for a Surrey school.

You will need to do this **before 15th January 2017.**

If you do not have access to the Internet, please pop along to the school office and we will give you a paper copy of the application form.

Important Notice

Today is the last day for returning orders for the individual school photos.

Flu Vaccination Forms (Years One and Two only)

The school nursing team will be coming to collect the Flu Vaccination consent forms on Tuesday 22nd November. Please return your form to school by this date, if you have not done so already. If you need a copy of the form please speak to Mrs Thorn in the school office.

Weekly Newsletter

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Christmas Performances

As we only have a limited space in the school hall and we want to cater for as many families as possible, we are running three separate performances of the Christmas play and a maximum of two tickets will be allocated per family for one performance of their choice (subject to availability). There is no charge for the tickets.

On Monday 12th December we will be having a full dress rehearsal which will be recorded for parents to buy. Year 3 children from Walsh Junior School and Grandparents will be invited to this event but we only have limited space in the hall. Therefore tickets will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Our performance on Tuesday 13th December is for families and pre-school children. If a pre-schooler attends they will either need their own ticket or they will need to sit on a parent's lap. Pre-schoolers are not permitted on any other day.

Our other performances are:

Wednesday 14th December – 9.15am. Adults only, no children

Thursday 15th December – 1.30pm. Adults only, no children. Our Christmas raffle will be drawn at the end of this performance.

A letter will be going home shortly advising you how to book tickets for our Christmas Performance and on this letter will be a tear off slip which you will need to complete and return to school as soon as possible.

We will have a waiting list for additional tickets, which will again be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Any spare tickets will be allocated to the waiting list when we allocated tickets to all of the families who want them.

Letters to Santa



Our Christmas post box will be put out on 28th November and it will be located in the corridor opposite the staff room if your child would like to send their letters to Santa.

If you need a copy of the letter that we emailed home about this, please let Mrs Thorn in the school office know.

Christmas Craft Club



Please note that Craft Club is now full. Tickets will be sent out week commencing 21st November to those that have been allocated a space.

Any children attending Craft Club will need to bring in a named shoe box size box on 7th December to bring their decorations home in.

Phyllis Tuckwell Fundraiser

Children have been sent home with a sponsorship envelope for our Phyllis Tuckwell Reindeer Romp on 20th December. All children will be invited to take part, however, we would ask that in order to cover the costs of receiving the antlers and the reindeer noses, that each child raises £2 or more. Any proceeds go directly to the Phyllis Tuckwell charity.

If you are able to sponsor your child, please place the money in the envelope and return it to school on or before 20th December. Thank you.

Online Safety

Keeping Your Child Safe Online

Children in Years One and Two have been learning about how to keep safe online through a series of lessons called 'Hector's World'.

You can install the Hector's World Safety Button on your computers and other online devices at home. It is free and can be downloaded from:

<http://hectorsworld.netsafe.org.nz/parents/hectors-world-safety-button/>

The Safety Button is a little dolphin (Hector) which 'swims' in the top corner of the screen and, when clicked, covers the screen in the event that your child comes across something online which worries or upsets them until an adult can come and investigate.

There is lots of information for parents about online safety at

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/

This includes advice for older children and teenagers.



Parental Guidance



Fundraising for school on Black Friday or Cyber Monday that does not cost you any more.....

ONLINE

Raise free funds by shopping online with easy fundraising just visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wmipta and follow the simple steps to sign up. Every time you shop online at over 2,700 retailers including, John Lewis, Smyths Toy Store, Asda, Tesco, Amazon, Argos and Ebay you will earn a donation for us and it won't cost you a penny!

IN STORE AT THE CO-OP

We are lucky to have been selected as one of the Co-ops Local Community Fund charity until March 2017, to help raise money to create an outdoor musical classroom for the benefit of the children and families of the school and the wider community. If you shop in the co-op and have a card why not log onto the Co-op website and select the Parent Teacher Association of Walsh Memorial CofE (cont) Infants school, as your charity so we receive 1% of your spend on co-op branded items.



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Walsh Memorial Infant School

Christmas Shopping Evening

Friday 18th November from 6-8pm

We will have on offer a wide variety of stalls including:

- Fudge, cakes and other Christmas goodies
 - Christmas decorations*
 - Jewellery stores*
 - Books*
 - Stocking fillers**
 - Beauty products and treatments*
 - Crafts, cards and wrapping paper*
- Plus many, many more!*

Come and join the fun! Everyone is welcome - bring family, friends and neighbours. Get ahead of the game and kick-start your Christmas Shopping!

There will be a craft table to keep children entertained so parents can shop in peace!



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Date	Event	Time
	Autumn Term 2	
18th November	PTA Christmas Shopping Evening	6-8.30pm
23rd November	Parent Interviews—Late slots	
6th December	Flu Vaccinations for Years One and Two (for those with signed consent forms)	
7th December	Christmas Craft Club	3.00pm-4.30pm
12th December	Dress Rehearsal of the Christmas Performance—Grandparents welcome to attend (subject to availability of tickets—more information to follow).	9.15am
13th, 14th, 15th December	School Christmas Performance (details on how to book tickets will be provided nearer the time)	
16th December	Emerald Class Cake Sale	3.00pm
19th December	Christmas Church Service (all year groups). Walkers will be needed. Parents to collect their child from church—no DBS required	2.00-3.00pm
20th December	School Disco (more information to follow)	5.00pm-6.30pm
20th December	School Christmas Lunch for children (more information to follow)	
21st December	End of Autumn Term	School closes at 1.10pm

Dates for your Diary