

Friday News 11.10.2024

What a busy week! We had a whole school excursion to the church for harvest festival. I was so proud of everyone as all the children took part in the service. Reverend Faith was very impressed with the behaviour of the whole school and how they all had the confidence to come up and share their work on harvest. Well done to everyone and a huge thank you to the parents who helped us walk there and back. We could not do it without your support. We also welcomed Year 2 Parents in school on Thursday for a No Outsiders lesson. Mrs Benford really enjoyed the session with you all and it was wonderful to share it with so many of you.

Harvest donations

On behalf of Reverend Faith and the local community, I would like to thank you all for your very generous harvest donations. Reverend Faith will be using them to create parcels for the elders of the village as well as to stock up the community larder. The children were all very proud to be able to carry a donation to the church on Tuesday for our harvest festival.

Parent / Guardian Consultations

These are to be held in school this Thursday 17th and the following Tuesday 22nd of October. This can be booked via Arbor.

Autumn disco

The Autumn disco is next Friday the 18th October. You can book your child(ren)'s place here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/gwpsptfa/>

Attendance

We achieved **94.9%** attendance this week which is a decrease on last week.

Year 3 are our attendance champions this week with **98.35%**, well done Year 3! They were followed closely by Year R with 98.2% and Year 4 with 97.4%.

There has been an increase in coughs and colds this week as the colder weather moves in. The NHS website 'Is my child too ill for school?' is a great guideline if you are unsure. <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> #MomentsMatterAttendanceCounts

School Uniform Swap Shop

The Salvation Army are holding a school uniform swap shop on Thursday 31st October and Friday 1st November 9:30 - 12:00 at Salvation Army Hall 1 Station road Sudbury.

PE Kits

Just a reminder that as the weather turns cooler, children are encouraged to wear plain navy jogging bottoms and sweatshirt for PE. In Key Stage 2 unless it is raining or extremely cold, the children will be outside on a Wednesday and Thursday. This may be on the field and they may get muddy. If you would prefer for your child to wear a plain navy t-shirt instead of the light blue, they are welcome to.

Reminders

We will be sending out fewer texts as reminders as the cost of these has increased dramatically. Please keep an eye on Friday News for the latest updates.

Autumn Term Key Dates

Thursday 17th October - Parents' Evening - Arbor is open for booking

Friday 18th October - Autumn disco

Tuesday 22nd October - Africa (Y1) parents invited in for No Outsiders 2pm

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Thursday 24th October - North America (Y5) to Fitzwilliam Museum

Thursday 24th October - Antarctica (YR) parents invited in for No Outsiders 2:30pm

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November - Half Term

Monday 4th November - PD day no children in school

Saturday 9th November - Open morning 9:30 - 11:30 for parents and children who are due to start school in September 2025

Friday 15th November - Individual school photos

Friday 22nd November - Dress down day for Christmas Fair donations

Friday 29th November - Christmas Fair

Thursday 5th December - Christmas lunch

Friday 6th December - Christingle in school

Tuesday 10th December - Antarctica nativity to parents - pm

Thursday 12th December - Antarctica nativity to parents - pm

Tuesday 17th December - KS2 Christmas concert for parents at the church pm

Wednesday 18th December - KS1 Christmas concert for parents at the church pm

Happy Weekend



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“Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them”

MATTHEW 19:14

