



**Happy Birthday to:**  
Jonah 1Q, Salma 1R,  
Evie 1R and Pearl 2R



**Wednesday 18th**  
**December**  
**Christmas jumper day**  
**for charity**

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December children can wear a Christmas jumper to school for a contribution of £1.00. All proceeds will go to Save the Children.

**Christmas Bauble decoration**

For School House charity the children are going to do "bauble decorating". The children are asked to donate 50p towards "Vitality Housing". If you would like your child to take part in decorating a bauble for this charity please send in your money for your child to decorate their bauble. Thank you



**Punctuality**

Can I please remind parents/carers children should be in school by 8.35am. There are an increasing number of children arriving after this time each morning.

**Maths Workshop**

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December Year 2 pupils and more able year 1 mathematicians enjoyed a fabulous event arranged by Liverpool University called the Maths Roadshow. The children were helped by Math Leaders in Year 5 and Year 6, pupils were given an hour to complete as many maths challenges as possible, using all of the knowledge and skills they have been developing in their KS1 maths lesson. The puzzles were all incredibly motivational and practical. All pupils gained a great deal from the experience and it was truly wonderful to see all students approach the challenge with such enthusiasm. Well done to all involved!





## Mystery Reader

Thank you to everyone who has asked if they could come into school and be the Mystery Reader. There has been a delay in starting Mystery Reader due to the vomiting and diarrhoea bug, and as mentioned in last week's newsletter we adhered to Environmental Health inspector's advice to keep visitors to a minimum. Due to this advice we will not start Mystery Reader in January 2020

**Weekly Attendance**  
**Week beginning**  
**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019 School**  
**Target is 97%**

Class	Attendance	
R1	94.3%	😞
R2	86.4%	😞
R3	93.9%	😞
1P	92.9%	😞
1Q	93.6%	😞
1R	92.1%	😞
2P	86.4%	😞
2Q	92.5%	😞
2R	93.9%	😞

**Congratulations to Class R1 for 94.3% Attendance**

### Notice to All Parents/Carers

As you are all aware we have had an outbreak of the Norovirus in Pre-Prep. This has been reported to Public Health England. If your child does have a tummy upset, they must your child away from school for 48 hours after the last bout of V&D

### Notice to Year 1R Parents/Carers



Parents/Carers of Year 1R are warmly invited to 1R Class Assembly which is taking place in the Chapel at 2.30pm on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

### Library Books



Could All Library books please be returned to school on your child's normal library day so that the books can be audited over Christmas.

### Notice to Parents/Guardians



Now that the weather is getting colder could parents/guardians please send their child into school with their school coat. Uniform is a plain **BLACK** coat which can be purchased from the School shop



## REINDEER DUST

Mrs Lewis and Mrs Boyle will be selling Reindeer dust at the end of the school day in the playground on the following days in December.

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

If you would like to purchase Reindeer dust the cost is £1.00. All money raised from the reindeer dust goes to the Pre-Prep gardening fund. Thank you



## Notice to All Reception Parents/Carers

### **Reception Christmas Nativity Play**

The performances will take place in the "Sutton Timmis" Hall

**Due to Health & Safety we only allow 2 parents/carers to each performance.**

**Reception 1** parents are invited to the performance on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm

**AMENDMENT TO Reception 2** parents are invited to the performance on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm **not Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December as previously stated**

**Reception 3** parents are invited to the performance on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm

Well done to all the children who took part in the Santa Dash on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December

They were: Will 1P, Jessica 1P, Harriet 1P, Thomas 1Q, Hugo 2R and William R3

- Congratulations to Henry for receiving his grade 1 learn to swim swimming certificate, and Duckling grade 1,2 and 3 Swimming certificate
- Well done to Darcy 1Q for receiving her Learn to Swim grade 2 Swimming certificate
- Congratulations to Hugo 2R for receiving his grade 4 Learn to swim Swimming certificate
- Well done to William R3 for receiving his 25m Swimming certificate, and his grade 2 Learn to Swim Swimming certificate



Congratulations to Rowan 2Q for doing his Beavers promise

### Dates for your Diary

11 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception 1 Nativity Play
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception 3 Nativity Play
16 <sup>th</sup> December Not 12 <sup>th</sup> December	AMENDMENT Reception 2 Nativity Play now 16th
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1R Nativity play in Chapel
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Children finish for Christmas
6 <sup>th</sup> January	Children return to school

## **Pupil News**



### Tooth Fairy News

Evie 1R lost a tooth while in school Victor 2Q also lost a tooth while in school. Thomas 2Q lost his tooth and swallowed it! They all had a visit from the Tooth Fairy.

**G.Gannon Head of Pre-Prep**

# Head lice - Treating head lice

**Head lice can be difficult to treat due to the time-consuming and precise nature of treatment and high re-infestation rate.**

In the past, traditional insecticides were used to treat head lice infestations but head lice would often develop resistance to them.

Therefore, these types of treatments have virtually been replaced with silicone and oil-based preparations which have a physical rather than a chemical action on lice.

After a head lice infestation has been confirmed you can treat the lice at home by wet combing the hair with a head lice comb or by using a lotion or spray that's designed to kill head lice (see below).

However, neither will protect against re-infestation if head-to-head contact is made with someone with head lice during the treatment period.

## Wet combing

The wet combing method involves removing the head lice by systematically combing the hair using a special fine-toothed comb.

The comb's teeth should be spaced 0.2-0.3mm apart. Lice can be crushed or trapped between the teeth of nit combs with a tooth spacing of less than 0.19mm and remain unseen.

You can buy a fine-toothed comb from your local pharmacy or you can order one online.

Lotions or sprays don't need to be used for wet combing. However, to be effective, wet combing needs to be carried out regularly and thoroughly. The method you should use is described below.

- Wash the hair using ordinary shampoo and apply plenty of conditioner, before using a wide-toothed comb to straighten and untangle the hair.
- Once the comb moves freely through the hair without dragging, switch to the louse detection comb. Make sure the teeth of the comb slot into the hair at the roots, with the bevel-edge of the teeth lightly touching the scalp.
- Draw the comb down to the ends of the hair with every stroke, and check the comb for lice.
- Remove lice by wiping or rinsing the comb.
- Work methodically through the hair, section by section, so that the whole head is combed through.
- Rinse out conditioner and repeat the combing procedure.
- Repeat the procedure on days three, six, nine, 12 and 15, so that you clear young lice as they hatch, before they have time to reach maturity.

How long it will take to comb your child's hair will depend on the type of hair they have and its length. For example, short, straight hair can be quickly prepared and can be fine-toothed combed in a few minutes. Longer, curlier hair will take longer to comb.

## **Lotion or sprays**

Using a lotion or spray is an alternative method of treating head lice. However, to be effective they need to be used correctly. Your pharmacist will be able to recommend an over-the-counter lotion or spray and advise you about how to use it correctly.

A lotion or spray should only be used if a living (moving) head louse is found. Crème rinses and shampoos aren't thought to be effective and therefore aren't recommended.

Ensure you have enough lotion or spray to treat everyone in your family who's affected. Use enough to coat the scalp and the length of the hair during each application.

Follow the instructions that come with the lotion or spray when applying it. Depending on the product you're using, the length of time it will need to be left on the head may vary from 10 minutes to eight hours.

The normal advice is to treat the hair and repeat the treatment after seven days. Some products also supply a comb for removing dead lice and eggs.

Some products may be capable of killing eggs as well as lice, although there's no certainty of this. Check for baby lice hatching from eggs three to five days after using a product and again 10-12 days afterwards.

At least two applications of lotion are needed to kill lice over the hatching period because the lotions don't always kill louse eggs.

If the lice appear unaffected by the product, or if the problem persists, seek advice from your school nurse, health visitor, pharmacist or GP.

## **Cautions**

Always read the instructions on the pack or leaflet that comes with a head lice treatment, particularly in relation to the following groups:

- young babies (under six months old)
- pregnant women
- people with asthma or allergies

If you're still unsure, seek advice from a healthcare professional before using the product