News for this week

Hello from school!

It’s a busy time at school at the moment. The children in Y2 are preparing for their National phonics screening test which will take place over the next 2 weeks, preparations are underway for the Ks1 Christmas nativity and throughout school excitement is building in the run up to Christmas.

As you are aware, Christmas preparations will be a little different. The KS1 nativity will be performed in bubbles, without an audience, following National guidance. However, we will be filming it so that parents can still enjoy the experience. On the Xmas card front there is good news! The local authority have decided that school children can send Xmas cards to others in their bubble.

We will then isolate the cards and send them home with the children on the last day of term. Please can you ensure that your child brings any Xmas cards they wish to send into school by the end of next week.

Save the Children

The School council are organising Christmas jumper day on Friday 11th December for ‘Save the Children’. Children can wear a Christmas jumper with normal uniform underneath. Please bring a £1.00 donation.

Phoenix trail

Please see the attached poster about the Nailsworth Xmas trail being put on by Phoenix Nursery.

Hay bales

We need 3 hay bales for the Christmas Nativity. Please let the office know if you can help.

PTFA Raffle

We’ve extended the deadline for donations to the hampers for our Christmas raffle until Friday (4th December). This is our first fundraising event since the Valentines Disco and we are desperate to raise funds for the children. Please bring in any donations to the school office along the lines of bottles of wine boxes of chocolates, boxes of mince pies, pickles and preserves so we can create tummy hampers. These will be raffled at £1.00 per ticket. Please hand in the correct money in an envelope with your name, phone number and email address on. The PTFA will then email you your raffle number (s).

Raffle winners

Thank you to all who bought books this year through the Scholastic book fair. The following 5 children won a free book in our book fair raffle. Bodhi Year 1, Ezree Year 4, Fran Year 5, Binxi Year 5 and Palko Year 6.

We also raised £75.00 worth of free books for school.

DIARY DATES

December

3rd Piano lessons
7th Drum lessons
8th Piano lessons
9th Guitar lessons (last until Jan)
10th Piano lessons
11th Christmas Jumper Day
16th Christmas lunch
18th Last day of term
12.50pm - 1.10pm finish

Young Voices

Just a quick reminder to get your t-shirt orders in by 4th December 2020. Hopefully, you are all accessing the YV music room online and singing along with the YV team. I know it is really tricky trying to learn the songs from the CD but at the moment we are still not able to sing together. We will be reviewing the situation after Christmas to see if we can find a socially-distanced safe way to begin rehearsing as a group. The BIG sing is still going ahead on 2nd February and I will send through more details as I have them.

In the meantime, keep listening to the tracks, watching the videos and singing your hearts out whenever you get chance. We WILL sing together soon. Thanks for all your patience. Wingfield, Mrs Ostle & Ms Hynes.
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<td>In English, we have been learning a new story — Milly the Meerkat. We have learnt actions and have been writing about Milly and the snake. In Maths, we have been adding two different numbers together. We have used cubes to help us and have started to write number sentences.</td>
<td>Year 1 have been catching up on reading and writing this week. We are practising our handwriting really hardtop produce work to go on the wall. With our zoo topic due to come to an end, we are finishing our animal work before getting on with nativity rehearsal.</td>
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<td>We have put our Christmas tree up in our classroom and an advent calendar. By Nasir. We have been practising our Nativity in the afternoons. It’s really good fun! By Dotty. Our new Mrs Wordsmith word is ‘gurgle’. By Dorothy.</td>
<td>This week, Year 3 have been working very hard to learn our 4 times tables. In English, we have learnt what verbs are and how we can use adverbs to make our writing even better. We can’t wait to decorate our class Christmas tree!</td>
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<td>I have enjoyed doing lots of subtraction practise in Maths this week. I’m getting really good at it! By Isobel. I have enjoyed looking at Christmas poetry in English this week, especially ‘Twas the night before Christmas’. By Chloe.</td>
<td>In English this week we have been writing a newspaper report on Philippe Petit. We played football in PE. In Maths, we have been multiplying 2 digits numbers by 2 digits. In PSHCE we have been discussing bullying.</td>
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<td>This week, Year 6 have started making their crafts to sell in the Christmas craft fair. ‘We’ve been learning about Christmas traditions and how Parliament persuaded Cromwell to ban Christmas in England in 1649! We were shocked about this! In Art, we’re sketching the nutcracker soldier.</td>
<td>Molly in Y6 has made this lovely snowman out of an old sock. Well done Molly!</td>
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<td>I would like to nominate Dexter for a Perseverance badge as he has done all of his lockdown work and is Persevering with his reading and sounds and I am very proud of him. Love Mummy. Please can I nominate Rocco for a Compassion badge! He has been very Compassionate since lockdown. Occasionally, we have been late and he has been very understanding. With all my love Mum. I would like to nominate Dwayne for a Perseverance badge. Not only did he eat all his jacket potato and beans yesterday (usually only eats the beans) but today he sat with me and ate every mouthful of his curry and rice. Usually he would only eat the rice. I explained that his tummy will be having a party with all the lovely food he was putting inside it. He ate and ate and ate! He got two stickers from the dinner ladies too. Super proud! From Cat I’d like to nominate Esther for a Perseverance badge. She is very determined to read every night and nearly always finishes the book. Warm wishes from Mum.</td>
<td>From next Monday 7th December, try and find as many characters from the Christmas nativity story in the windows of shops and homes in Nailsworth. There will be a sheet on the Nailsworth Benefice website <a href="http://www.thenailsworthbenefice.co.uk">www.thenailsworthbenefice.co.uk</a> to download, which you may like to use to help you record what you have found. When you have found as many characters as you can, bring your sheet to St George’s Church Parish Room on 24th December between 2-4pm for a Christmas prize.</td>
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Stars of the week

Dexter Y1
Holly & Archie Y2
Willow Y3

Rares & Aaron Y4
Emma Y5
Alfie & Chloe Y6

Readers of the week

Evie Y1
Clem Y2
Lucas Y3

Michael Y4
Lauran Y5
Lola Y6
BIG PTFA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE!

Only £1 a ticket and you could WIN A BRAND NEW CORDLESS VACUUM CLEANER FROM DYSON WORTH £499!!!

Kindly donated by The James Dyson Foundation

Other brilliant prizes include:

- Delicious Christmas Hampers full of festive goodies
- Food voucher kindly donated by Birch restaurant in Stroud
- Wine donated by The Golden Fleece
- £20 Armed & Gorgeous voucher
- Case of red wine
- Case of white wine
- Stash of lovely childrens' books kindly donated by Buster Books
- Box of fish kindly donated by The Fine Fish Company
- With thanks also to Eastington Farm Shop

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the prizes, and to everyone for buying lots of tickets!

Drop your money in an envelope with your name, email address and phone number to Cat to be entered into the draw
Nailsworth Xmas trail.

Brought to you by Phoenix Nursery and Preschool.

For a minimum donation of 50p, gather a trail sheet from either Cat in the School office or Phoenix Pre-school and go searching for gnomes!

These gnomes will be hiding in windows around town from December 5th and are each holding a letter that spells out a message from Santa!
**Tier 2**

**High Alert**

**From 2 Dec**

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<td>No mixing of households indoors, apart from support bubbles. Maximum of six outdoors.</td>
<td>Pub and bars must close, unless operating as restaurants. Hospitality venues can only serve alcohol with substantial meals. Venues must stop taking orders at 10pm and must close by 11pm.</td>
<td>Open.</td>
<td>Everyone who can work from home should do so.</td>
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<td>Permitted with household or support bubble.</td>
<td>15 guests for weddings, civil partnerships, wedding receptions and wakes; 30 for funerals.</td>
<td>Open.</td>
<td>Open, but cannot interact with anyone outside household or support bubble.</td>
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<td>Reduce the number of journeys you make and walk or cycle if possible. Avoid busy times and routes on public transport. Avoid car sharing with those outside of your household or support bubble. Avoid entering a Tier 3 area, other than where necessary such as for work or education. Further exceptions apply.</td>
<td>Classes and organised adult sport can take place outdoors, but cannot take place indoors if there is any interaction between people from different households. Organised activities for elite athletes, under-18s and disabled people can continue.</td>
<td>COVID-secure arrangements such as substantial screens, visiting pods, and window visits. Outdoor short visits only (all-out of rapid testing will enable indoor visits including contact).</td>
<td>Sport, live performances and business meetings limited to 50% capacity or 2000 people outdoors (whichever is lower) and 50% capacity or 1000 people indoors (whichever is lower).</td>
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**Find out what support you can get**

For example, if you’re out of work, need to get food, or want to take care of your mental health.

[Gov.uk/Coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

**If you have any coronavirus symptoms:**

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste

Get a test and stay at home

For more information and detailed guidance visit:

[Gov.uk/Coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)