



SHILLINGSTONE C.E. V.A. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dates for diaries:

WoW Write

The dates for the Wow Writing (WoW talking in Jungle Class) this term are:
Friday 1st December

Thursday 23rd November – Friday 24th November

Year 5 residential to Leeson House

Friday 1st December

PTA Christmas Carols in the atrium

Wednesday 6th December

Nativity performance at 2:15pm in the school hall

Thursday 7th December

Nativity performance at 6pm in the school hall

Friday 8th December

PTA Christmas party for all the children

Friday 15th December

Whole school trip to The Lighthouse Theatre – pantomime –

Last day of Autumn term 2nd half

Sunday 17th December

Skittles for a turkey at the Old Ox pub 1-5pm

Tuesday 2nd January

INSET day

Wednesday 3rd January

Children due back in school for Spring term 1st half

Thursday 30th November 2017





Dear parents/carers,

Attendance figures

Whole school attendance up to Friday 24th November: 96.50 %

Please remember that term time holiday cannot be authorised by the headteacher – all term time holiday will be classified as unauthorised.

Current attendance figures for each class are:

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| Jungle Class – 96.67% | Woodland Class – 94.68% | Ocean Class – 97.56% | Desert Class – 97.33% |
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Poppy Appeal

We have received a letter of thanks from the local poppy appeal organiser. The school raised £146.00! This was an excellent effort – well done!

PTA news

We have the Christmas fundraising event coming up on Friday 1st December from 5:30 – 7pm. The PTA will be selling Christmas trees (with money from every tree sale going towards the school) and there will be carols in the atrium (from 6-7pm) and other fun festive activities. Please come along to support this event – all proceeds go towards the school.

Nativity – Presented by Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children

Our children in Jungle and Woodland Class have been rehearsing hard for the Nativity play. There will be two performances:

Wednesday 6th December 2:15pm

Thursday 7th December 6:00pm

All parents / guardians are very welcome to come and watch the performance.

PTA Christmas Party for all the children

The PTA will be hosting a Christmas party in school on Friday 8th December. There are no hot lunches ordered for this day and you do not need to send a packed lunch. The PTA supported by the soon to be opened Shillingstone Co-Op will be providing food. We are very grateful to the new Co-Op for this thoughtful gesture and thanks to the PTA for their continued support. It will be non-school uniform on this day – children can come to school in their party clothes! The PTA have also arranged a visit from Santa and a Science entertainer. We hope the children have a fantastic day!

Christmas Jumper Day – Cancelled

Due to the numerous fund-raising events we have held we have decided to cancel the Christmas Jumper Day on Wednesday 13th December. Local Food Links will be providing their Christmas Lunch that day so if your child wants to have a hot Christmas lunch you will need to **book online by Wednesday 6th December**.

PTA Christmas card competition

The standard was very high in the Christmas card competition but the winners are:

KS1 boy – Charlie Jack

KS1 girl – Philippa

KS2 boy – Tom D

KS2 girl – joint winners – Ava, Georgina

Well done! Each child will receive 10 printed cards to give to family and friends. Well done to everyone who entered also!

Lighthouse – Next session at the Church Centre

December's Lighthouse session will be Wednesday 6th December from 5:30pm – 7:00pm. All children in Year 2 to year 6 are welcome to attend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J. Whitehouse-Sharpe

