



PTCP&NS Newsletter



Issue 7

Friday 8th December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your understanding over the last few days after the school was closed. It is always a difficult decision to make and we apologise for any inconvenience caused. Thank you to all of the children who managed to log into Google Classroom and all who completed tasks at home.

We have had to re-schedule the Christmas performance for Little Punnetts and Beech, this will now be on Monday 11th December at 9.15am. We look forward to seeing you then.

Heathfield Lights: Thank you to all of the children who joined our Christmas choir at the Fire Station last Friday. It was a lovely community event to be involved in and

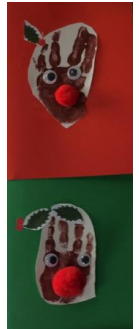


Heathfield and Waldron Parish Council wrote to extend their thanks for our involvement as a school and commended the children on their fantastic singing and behaviour, well done.



Congratulations are also sent to Emily who won the colouring competition and therefore had the privilege of turning on the high street lights. Well done.

Decoration morning: What a wonderful way to launch Christmas activities in school. It was fantastic to see so many adults supporting pupils in their classes. The decorations produced have certainly brightened up the school and will be sent home at the end of term.



Federation Carols: On Wednesday 29th November, Oak class went to State Hall to perform their Christmas carols with Dallington. The children enjoyed meeting up and practicing together. After just one afternoon of practicing together the children hosted a spectacular evening which certainly filled the hall with Christmas glee. Thank you to all of the children, staff, and Friends volunteers for making the evening such a great success.



Christmas tree:

Thanks are extended to Elaine Chaplin, our Chair of Friends, for sourcing and organising the Christmas tree this year, kindly donated by Sussex Trees. I am sure you will agree it looks fantastic; decorated by some very excited year 6 children.





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Elfridges:

Every year our Christmas Elves host a spectacular shopping experience for the children in our school. The excitement and enjoyment was clear to see as the children from nursery to Year 6 chose a special gift for somebody they love. We hope these gifts are well received and enjoyed. A huge thank you to the Elves who organised, shopped, displayed, and wrapped so the children could have such a wonderful time. Thank you.



Christmas Jumper Day:

Thank you so much for supporting our Christmas Jumper day today raising funds for 'Save the Children'. I am pleased to share together we have raised £75.00 which will go towards making a difference for those in need. Thank you.



Hazel Class:

Hazel Class have had a fabulous week improving our speaking, listening, and our acting skills! We cannot wait to share our Nativity with you next week. We have been working hard to create scenery and props too! Thank you for all your support with the costumes. These should have all been brought in now but if not please can they be in school first thing Monday morning ready for our dress rehearsal.



In English this week we have been trying hard to secure our phonics and spelling skills when writing letters to a Christmas Elf and writing Christmas cards to our families. We thought of lots of questions that we wanted to ask the Elves!

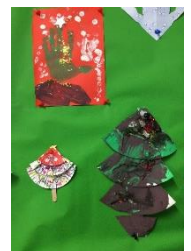
Little Punnetts & Beech Classes:

We have had a very busy few weeks in Beech and Little Punnetts. We have spent lots of time together practising for our Nativity productions. We will be sharing a video on Tapestry once the productions have been completed.

It was lovely to see so many parents in school for decoration morning recently; all the creations have now been put up around the school which now looks very festive!



Next week will be the last week before Christmas and even busier than normal. We have the Welly Wander; Christmas lunch and Christmas parties to look forward to. After Christmas, we will be looking at 'Snow and Ice' and have lots of new resources that we are excited to share with all the children in Beech and Little Punnetts.





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Staffing update:

It is with great sadness I share that Mrs Ruth Andrews, who teaches Beech class on a Thursday and Friday, will be leaving the Punnetts Town team at the end of this term for personal reasons. Mrs Andrews has been a phenomenal teacher who has worked across the school, showing great flexibility and a love and talent in teaching. Mrs Andrews has expressed her pure enjoyment of working at Punnetts Town and that her decision has been very difficult but is the right decision for her and her family. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Andrews for her commitment and dedication and wish her all the best for the future. Mrs Black will now be full time continuing to teach Beech class and lead the EY provision across our school.

Out of school achievements:

Congratulations to Grace who has achieved a number of awards whilst riding her horse, Lulu and to Amber who continues to fly through the water, competing for Lewes Swimming club. It has been amazing to hear about the success of both of our students – well done.

Star of the week:

Each week the adults and children reflect in their classes and choose a member of the class to receive the ‘Star of the week’ certificate. I am pleased to share that in...

Week 5:

Little Punnetts: Ethel Beech: Amelie Hazel: Tommy Oak: Oak Class Elm: Rufus

Week 6:

Little Punnetts: Arlo Beech: Albie Hazel: Stanley Oak: Aphra Elm: Poppy

Thank you for being the best you can be!
We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

C. Kinsella

All dates are subject to change – more details will follow regarding specifics. **Yellow highlight** will show new additions from the previous newsletter.

Term & Week	Date	Event
T2 W7	Monday 11 th December at 9.15am	Little Punnetts Class & Beech Class Joint Christmas production to parents
T2 W7	Monday 11 th December	Elm Class - One Voice at Del-a-Warr Theatre (Bexhill)
T2 W7	Tuesday 12 th - 2.00pm & Wednesday 13 th December - 9.15am	Hazel Class Christmas production to parents
T2 W7	Wednesday 13 th December - afternoon	Friends ‘Christmas Fun’
T2 W7	Thursday 14 th December	Christmas lunch
T2 W7	Friday 15 th December	Christmas class parties
T2 W7	Friday 15 th December	Last day of term
Monday 18th December – Monday 1st January – Christmas holidays		



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T3 W1	Tuesday 2 nd January	First day of term
T3 W1	Friday 5 th January	Pantomime day at school – performance to the children
T3 W6	Thursday 8 th February	Last day of term
T3 W6	Friday 9 th February	INSET (closed to all pupils)
Monday 12th – Friday 16th February – HALF TERM		
T4 W1	Monday 19 th February	First day of term
T4 W3	Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day – details to follow
T4 W5	Thursday 21 st March	Y2 Little Sing at Cross in Hand – details to follow
T4 W5	Thursday 21 st – Wednesday 27 th March	Book Fair – details to follow
T4 W6	Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term
Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April – Easter holidays		
T5 W1	Monday 15 th April	First day of term
T5 W5	Monday 13 th May – Friday 17 th May	Y6 SATs week – details to follow
T5 W6	Tuesday 21 st May	Class photos
T5 W6	Friday 24 th May	Last day of term
Monday 27th – Friday 31st May – HALF TERM		
T6 W1	Monday 3 rd June	First day of term
T6 W1	Monday 3 rd June – Friday 14 th June	Y4 Multiplication Check – details to follow
T6 W2	Monday 10 th June	Y1 Phonic Screening – details to follow
T6 W4	Thursday 27 th June	Y6 at HCC & Whole school change around day
T6 W7	Friday 19 th July	Last day of term
T6 W8	Monday 22 nd & Tuesday 23 rd July	INSET (closed to all pupils)
Monday 22nd July – Summer Holidays		