



Petersfield News

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Autumn Term — Number 14 Wednesday December 3rd 2008

Services Sunday 7th December Advent 2

8.15 Eucharist in Barrington

9.30 Eucharist in Wimpole BCP

11.00 Eucharist in Croydon

3.00p.m. Baptism in Croydon

3.00p.m. Christingle at Whaddon

6.00p.m. Evening Prayers in Orwell.



REMEMBER- YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR OUR FRIDAY ACTS OF WORSHIP. ON FRIDAY WE WILL HAVE OUR CHRISTINGLE SERVICE AT 9.30 IN ST Andrew's.

We will reconvene our session “**At Home with Maths– Subtraction**” for after Christmas. Staff have had so many colds and illnesses we think it sensible to do this a little later in the school year.

Mrs Tuck will be out of school today in London presenting some research work on small schools to the National College of School Leadership. A conference of policy makers is keen to know what we can do to help and support our small schools in rural locations like ours– and Mrs Tuck's research is designed to listen to the quiet voices of this important group.

Thanks to the PTA's generosity our pupils were treated to a puppet theatre performance of “Rapunzel” by a local group called “Widdershins” last Wednesday. Miss Richardson's class interviewed the puppeteer about this too. We look forward to reading their articles to discover more,

UNWANTED VISITORS IN SCHOOL!

Please check your child's head for head lice, as we are beginning to see evidence of our little friends putting in an appearance yet again. Many older girls are asking for hair ties to tie their hair back for PE so we think perhaps this might be a good idea more generally ... Please try to remember to provide hair ties.

We look forward to receiving donations for the Children's Society on Friday when we meet for the Christingle service in St Andrew's Church. Please ask your child to bring a small donation in a sealed and labelled envelope. Thank you.

We were very excited this week to receive both copies of the wonderful photographs taken by **Paul Williams** and the great pupil drawn cards which **Yvonne Wright** organised for us. Thank you both for helping and supporting our school in this way, and for helping us to make some funds to make a difference. It all helps to raise morale and to focus extra funds on what really matters– our pupils and their learning.

Don't forget Mrs Hardy is running a **Secrets Room** in Reception each lunchtime this week. This is your chance to make a secret present for Mums and Dads which will certainly be very special and much loved. Bring in £1.00 and the secret's safe with us!

WORDLES

Morning, Noon,
Midnight

Last week's answer–This thing is bigger than us!

Keeping Up with our Busy Schedule!

On Thursday 4th December (a.m.) we will welcome any parents to the school for a Christmas decoration- practical maths session. We will also be using creative maths and plan to decorate a real Christmas tree with recycled decorations in preparation for the Methodist Church Tree festival.

On Friday 5th December we will be having our Christingle Service in St Andrew's Church at 9.30 a.m. All very welcome to come to this, as are all parents and friends to each of our Friday acts of Worship.

The PTA Christmas Fayre is on Saturday 6th December in the afternoon, see page 4. Offers of held still accepted, talk to Karen Tobin on 01767 650012

On Tuesday 9th December at 2.00p.m. and 6.00p.m. we will have our key stage 1 nativity-based play, **The Forgetful Old Camel** . Same again on Wednesday 10th at 2.00p.m..when we hope to invite older members of our communities to join us for a cuppa afterwards. Please help by suggesting names and bringing along older local people who might like to be our guests on this occasion.

Thursday 11th December we will have school Christmas lunch at 12.00 noon with crackers!

On Monday 15th December we will be going up to Wimpole Stable block at 6.00p.m. for our carol service in the open air. This is a magical time and we are lucky to be allowed to do this as a special favour to the school as a partner in education. Pupils must be supervised well for their safety in the dark, please.

On Friday 19th December, 9.30 a.m. the last day of our term, we will be going to St Andrew's for the traditional nativity, inviting Mother Goose and sharing a lovely end of term service.

Please join us for any or all of these occasions.

Facebook style website for 7 year olds. We have recently become aware of a Facebook style website targeted at 7 to 11 year olds called schooltogethernow. The ICT Service has serious concerns about this website, its security, registration and e-safety. Please consult tim.daines@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or ga-reth.davies@cambridgeshire.gov.uk at the ICT Service if this site becomes an issue. Do make yourself familiar with the principles of Internet Safety at [Kidssmart](#) or [ChildNet](#) or the [Education Portal](#).

Reminder— **“HEALTHY SCHOOL STATUS”** meeting in the staff room on Thursday 4th December at 3.30. If you are interested in joining this important group of people, please come along, all welcome. If you require further information please see Mrs Gwynn.

LEARNER OF THE WEEK week ending 28.11.08

Robins	Grace Todd Hughes
Woodpeckers	Ryan Davies
Swallows	Vinnie Toombs
Kingfishers	James King
Owls	Joel Gallery
Eagles	Elsbeth Davies

The governors and staff are pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs Alison Pearson to work alongside Mrs Cavanagh in the office on Thursdays and Fridays. Mrs Pearson led a strong field in competition for the job and we are pleased to have her on board.



Christmas Bazaar



THIS Saturday 6th Dec. 2—4 p.m.
Here at school

Come along at 2 o'clock and see Santa arrive by mystery transport!!!

Please return your Raffle Ticket stubs, money
and ALL UNSOLD TICKETS
to the school office by this Friday

Plus
Any cake offerings by Friday or Saturday morning
THANK YOU

Thank you for all your offers of help at the Bazaar. Carole is sending out slips of paper with the details of which stall you'll be on and at what time.

Remember your Pint Pots. There is a box for them in the main entrance foyer at school. The prize draw will take place at the Bazaar

Don't forget, Mrs Hardy is running the "Secrets Room" every lunchtime this week. So it's not too late. Bring in £1.00 per present you wish to make. 12.00—1.00 p.m.



SEE YOU THERE!

School Meals

CHRISTMAS LUNCH— Important! The last day for taking bookings for Christmas lunch is Friday 5th December. The cost is £1.90 and if you would like your child to have a Christmas lunch we need to let our cook, Jackie Presland know by Friday. *As you will appreciate final numbers need to be given to the Catering Service in advance for delivery of the meals. Thank you for your co-operation.*

Also!

End of Term Special - Friday 19th December 2008

Main Meal Choice:

Salmon Fish Cake

or

Turkey Steak in Breadcrumbs

or

Roast Beef and Yorkshire pudding and gravy or if vegetarian - vegetable lasagne.

Jacket Wedges

Baked Beans or Peas

Choice of Pudding:

Swiss bun and drink

Orange jelly,

Iced fruit smoothie

Yoghurt

Fresh Fruit and drink

Cost £1.90—If you would like your child to have this meal, please order at the school office. (only if your child does not normally have school lunches on a Friday)