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# November 2024 Newsletter

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**Friday 20th December  
2024**

**Christmas Jumper  
Day**

**Christmas Lunch  
Day**

**Carols on the  
Playground – 2:00pm**

**Finish time – 3:05pm**

**Last Day of Term**



# A Message From Mrs Jones

Thank you for all your support in terms of sending chocolates, smellies and wine! We hope our Christmas Fayre on the 18th December will be fabulous! We have some amazing visitors, including some Shetland Ponies, a Living Nativity, a silent disco and of course the 'Man in Red' himself!

We are still collecting raffle prizes, so if any local businesses would like to donate we would be very happy to receive!

Our fundraising will all go to support our curriculum and will directly impact every child in our school.

I am looking forward to our wreath making evening next Friday - there are a few spaces still available if anyone would like to attend.

Thank you for attending your child's parents evening. Staff will be trying to make contact with you if you were not able to attend to arrange a suitable time.

Some of you may have seen our appearance on Meridian recently - it was so amazing to have baby Joey and his puppeteers, as well as two of the lead actors from War Horse visit our school. Year 6 had seen the performance at the Mayflower the day before - which made it even more memorable. I have included a piece of writing from a Year 6 child, written from the perspective of a British soldier in World War One. The aim of the letter was to be partially honest to loved ones back home, whilst trying to reassure them. Well done Keegan - you definitely have achieved this in your writing!

So three weeks to go! Hopefully I will see you at some of the events in the next few weeks - the Florence Nightingale performance in Year 2, Ukulele Concert for Year 3 and our end of term Carol Concert on Friday 20th December to name but a few!

Very best wishes,

*Mrs Jones*



Dear Mum,

Just a few lines to tell you how I am doing. All of the lads' biggest worry is trench foot - to tell you the truth, it's extremely mortifying, and you can literally smell me from miles away and the rotting flesh between my toes spreading rapidly. On top of that, the rain is simply awful: blood streaks down our face, disgusting mud is everywhere and fleas, maggots and lice is a triangle of disgustingness. But... there are slight moments of peace.

The days aren't too bad, lots of chatting in the trenches with the lads. But, the nights are the worse. It's a nightmare never knowing when the shelling will stop, never knowing if the Germans are sneaking up on us from the dark abys and never knowing if I'll ever get to see your faces again. The mornings bring the most hope and peace as the glorious sun rises and we get a brief reprieve from the fighting- nobody wants to miss breakfast for a fight!

Jeff, my loyal companion, is great for lightening the mood amongst the comrades at lunchtime. He covers up for the bad food and minuscule rations by playing the spoons. Good old Scabby, our trench cat, gets given extra rations but only if he's met his quota of rats for the day. Sad news, do you remember Fred that I was at school with? Sadly, he won't be coming home. Well, he will but in a wooden box. Give our love to his old mum. Tell her, he did her proud.

I hope to be home by Christmas, but every battle it seems the Germans are coming a little bit closer to victory. If we have some luck with the weather, if the bombs hit the right targets, if our lads don't give up, then we will win this war. Mum, I would love it if you could knit me some of those lovely woollen socks. If you could chuck a few extra pairs in for the lads, they'll love that!

Try not to worry too much about me though. Keep yourself safe and I hope I'll be home soon.

All my love,

Keegan x



# Year 2 - Outcome

We really enjoyed welcoming parents and carers into Year 2 this month. The children loved sharing their hard work with their grown-ups. They were so proud and excited to have them into classrooms. We really appreciate the support from parents and carers who bought art work.

Thank you,  
Year 2 Team



Our school calendar on our school website is regularly updated - please ensure this is checked if you are unsure

Please ensure that children come to school wearing a coat during the colder weather. Please ensure your child's coat is named.



# Year 6 - Residential

## Marchants Hill



Year 6 had an incredible time at Marchants Hill based in Surrey! There were lots of different activities and the children enjoyed the food!



# Christmas!

We are looking for donations of Christmas crackers for all children to be able to have on Christmas dinner day which is Friday 20th December 2024. Please bring to the school office. We would be extremely grateful!

We have 8 Christmas trees that we will be selling for £15.00 (the tree lining the centre path to the school). These will need collecting on the last day of term. Please let us know if you would like to purchase one.

Christmas Jumper Day -  
Friday 20th December  
2024

Christmas Carols on the  
Playground, 2:00pm - Friday 20th  
December 2024

School finishes at 3:05pm  
on Friday 20th December  
2024 for all children.



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COMMUNITY ARTS CENTRE

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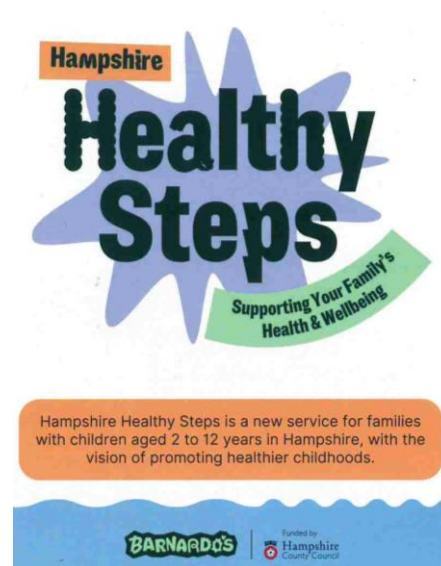
FESTIVE REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE FROM THE COMMUNITY HATCH!

LIVE CHRISTMAS MUSIC!  
THE SHOLING MINSTRELS 11AM-12PM

**SUNDAY 1ST DECEMBER**  
10:00 - 17:00  
WILDERN LANE, HEDGE END, SO30 4EJ

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Hampshire Healthy Steps is a new service for families with children aged 2 to 12 years in Hampshire, with the vision of promoting healthier childhoods.

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**Hampshire Healthy Steps** offers group support in your local area. We offer advice, information and support about healthy eating, how to get more active, how to sleep well, and ways to keep our teeth healthy.

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External Stall Holders  
Year Group Stalls

Tombolas

Smellies, chocolate, alcohol

Silent Disco

Food and Snacks

Raffle

# Shamblehurst Primary School Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 18th December 2024

3:30pm - 6:30pm



Living Nativity



Christmas Crafts

Christmas Games

Pocket Money Store

Tea, Coffee, Hot Chocolate

Meet Santa (more info  
to follow regarding  
booking)

£3 entry per family - all  
money raised goes to  
support our amazing  
curriculum!





Thank you to everyone who has given a kind donation towards our  
Christmas Fayre/ Christmas Celebrations this year!  
We are very grateful for your support!

A big thank  
you to all of  
the families  
who came  
along to  
support us at  
the Hedge End  
Lights Switch  
On event!



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