



Frome Valley First School

News Weekly



Star of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who are the
'Stars of the Week'

Reception: Honey

Year 1: Bella

Year 2: Skylar

Year 3: Harriet

Year 4: Jacob



R.E Week

R.E week has started with 'Christmas Cooking'. The children have made an array of items, of which some will be given to the wider community tomorrow.

We still need some adults to walk with the children tomorrow. If you can help, please speak directly to your child's teacher to confirm timings.

Competition Time – Please can all entries for the competition be submitted by **Friday 6th December (start of the school day)**. Winners and prizes will be announced. We are looking forward to seeing all of your wonderful creations.

Flu Immunisation – Tuesday 10th December

Please remember that all consent or non-consent forms need to be completed online by **Wednesday 4th December**. If you have any queries, need help or access to the internet, please speak to the staff in the office.

Reception Class Parent Interviews 10th and 11th December

Lists for parent interviews have been outside the classroom since first thing this morning. Please write your child's name next to the appointment time you would like. Please remember that interviews are for **a maximum of ten minutes**. If you need to discuss something that requires more time than this, we would appreciate if you made a separate appointment direct with Miss Padfield.

Year 4 – Hooke Court Meeting

A reminder to the parents of children in Year 4 that the meeting on Hooke Court is this **Wednesday 4th December starting at 3.20pm**. If you are unable to attend and have any questions, please speak to Mrs Essex or the school office.

Carols by Candlelight – Thursday 12th December 6pm

A reminder that 'Carols by Candlelight' is next Thursday 12th December starting at 6pm. All children, parents and relatives are invited to come along to this very special evening and join in with some of the singing! The evening lasts about an hour with refreshments. We look forward to seeing you there.



PTFA News

It's the Christmas Fayre on Friday!

Please come along on Friday (6 December from 3.15pm to 5pm) for some festive fun. The school choir will be singing at around 3.30pm and our hamper raffle draw will take place at 4.30pm. We have some new games and stalls this year including: the sale of fresh Christmas wreaths, a '12 days of Christmas' picture trail around the school, guess the birthday of Santa's dog and a Santa's 'round the world' delivery map game. To support our 'eco school' ethos our brand new lucky dip has gone 'green' with non-plastic prizes and recycled wrapping paper. The Year 4s will be running two stalls as usual but this time they will be using their stalls' profits to help pay for the unavoidable increase in transport costs of their leavers trip next year. So please bring along your pennies and your friends, families and neighbours to support our big annual fundraiser.



Please help us at the Fayre

We're still looking for some willing volunteers to give up half an hour of their time on the day to help set up beforehand, tidy up afterwards or run a stall. Please put your name on a volunteer sheet and select the times that you're free. Children can help on the stall too. They really enjoy it! Thank you in advance.

Dress Down Day on Friday

It's non-uniform day on Friday (6 December) in exchange for homemade and shop-bought cakes and cookies that we can sell at the Christmas Fayre refreshment stall. As always, if you are unable to or do not wish to make a contribution, your child can still dress down.

Please, please give all unwanted Raffle books to the office ASAP

Our festive hampers are now on display! All completed ticket stubs plus money can be given to the office at any point this week along with any unwanted books or partially-used books. We desperately need some additional tickets to sell at the fayre so please hand them in. We've completely run out! The office have also emailed out a list of the local businesses that have kindly given us donations. Please have a glance through. There are some great prizes to win including cinema tickets, meals out at local pubs and family fun at the Warmwell Snowsports Centre.

Christingle Service

This Year's Christingle service will take place on **Friday 13th December at 1.30pm** in St Aldhelm Church. This is a wonderful service where all children receive a Christingle as we celebrate advent and the countdown to Christmas.

Later this week, we are sending home a cardboard Christingle candle for collecting donations to the Children's Society. Please can these then be returned to school ready for the afternoon service. All parents and relatives are welcome to join us for the service.



Nativity Services

Pre School and Reception Class – Tuesday 17th December 9.10am
Years 1 – 4 Monday 16th December 1.30pm and Wednesday 18th December 9.10am

We know that all services will be very popular and we therefore ask parents, relatives and friends to only come to the Preschool / Reception nativity if they have a child in these years. Also if you have a child in Years 1 – 4 we ask that you only attend one of the services.

For parents of the Reception Class, if you can stay and help with changing the children into their costume, after their arrival in school, it would be very much appreciated.

After both of the morning services, coffee and mince pies will be available to parents.



Vision Screening – Reception Class

A reminder that the vision screening check for children in the Reception class is taking place this **Thursday 5th December from 9am**. Please remember that the form needs to be completed and returned by **tomorrow** at the latest if you **DO NOT** wish your child to have the screening. Thank you.

Scholastic Half Price Book Fair

We have today sent home to parents a flyer giving details of the scholastic book fair we are holding from **Tuesday 10th to Monday 16th December**

All books are **half price**, so please come and pick up a bargain! The book fair will be available for parents to view books and place orders every morning and afternoon. The book fair will be unmanned so parents will need to complete an order form and place it in an envelope with full payment. Books will then be sent home as soon as possible.

Please do not take books home off the shelf.

Party Lunch on Friday 20th December

On the last day of term, **Friday 20th December**, all hot meals have been cancelled as the children are having a special 'party lunch'. The PTFA are kindly donating £75 towards the lunch and we are asking parents for a contribution of £1.50 per child. Full details have been emailed to parents today. Please can forms and contributions be returned to school as soon as possible.

After School Film Club

Don't forget that there is no Film Club this Friday 6th December as we have the Christmas Fair. Happy Valley is available for anyone who needs childcare. Please also note that there is no Film Club on the last day of term **Friday 20th December**

Nut Free / Mango Free School Lunches and Snacks

A reminder to everyone that we have in school a child and an adult with very severe nut and mango allergies respectively. Please ensure that all lunches, snacks and drinks do not contain nuts or mango. Thank you for your help.

Please can we ask parents to double check ingredients in products. Mango appears in a number of items that you would not think of! Unfortunately the member of staff who has severe allergy doesn't need to eat or come into contact with mango to have a reaction. It only needs to be in the same room. Your help is very much appreciated by us all.

