

# Warmingham CE Primary School

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'Let Your Light Shine'

#### Dear Parents,

As I'm sitting in my office, I can hear Otters and Hedgehogs singing with Mrs Henry. Yesterday, Mrs Glendenning came into school to practise the songs the children will be singing at the Christmas Fair. It's such a beautiful sound which fills everyone with the Christmas spirit.

Yesterday, the children and staff came dressed in their Christmas jumpers and raised £83.51 for Save the Children. Thank you for returning your raffle tickets and providing bottles for next week's Christmas fair. We are really grateful in these challenging times. Thank you.

Next Wednesday, is going to be busy day in school with an Own Clothes Day, Christmas Dinner and the fair after school. All of the children will be singing at 3pm in front of the village hall doors. For the children's safety, no one will be able to park on the village hall until the children have come back into school. Father Christmas should have arrived by the time the children have finished singing. Once they have finished, all of the children will be going back into school, and you will be able to collect them for their usual door before taking them to the fair.

The following week sees our Nativity service for Otters and Hedgehogs on the Tuesday at 2pm and the Carol Service for Squirrels and Badgers on the Wednesday evening at 6pm. Both services will be held at St Leonard's Church, and all are welcome to attend.

Parents will be able to take their children home start after the Nativity service on Tuesday (Otters and Hedgehogs). Please let Mrs Marsden know if you are unable to attend, so we can make arrangements with you about where you would like to pick your child up from. On Wednesday night, the children in Mrs Henry's choir will need to arrive at 5:30pm as they will be singing for everyone as they come into the church. The rest of Squirrels and Badgers, and parents will need to arrive at 5:45pm ready for the service to start at 6pm. The church has kindly arranged some refreshments for us afterwards. Kind regards,

Kate Appleby Principal of Warmingham CE Primary Proud member of the Rural Church Schools Academy Trust

School Diary for the Week Beginning: 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023

#### Monday

Y4 & Y5 – Love Music Trust lessons

#### Tuesday

#### Wednesday

PE for all Own Clothes Day – chocolate for the tombola Christmas Dinner Christmas Fair 3.00pm

#### Thursday

Friday Choir practise

#### **Message from Reverend Paul**



Why am I running around so much? Have you every stopped to ask yourself, "Why am I running around so much?" A brief glance at the diary will tell you that December is flat out. In fact, it seems that the run for the line at Christmas starts way back in November. And what a race it is! You certainly need some endurance to get through all the shopping, the Christmas card writing, the parties, school events, mince pies - both baking and eating, never mind effort you need to do your job as well.

And then there is putting up the decorations, they make the steeple chase barriers look like toy hurdles.

Somehow, rather than a time of preparation to remember the birth of the Prince of Peace, December has become a marathon run at a sprint pace. It is no wonder so many people are utterly exhausted when Christmas comes around. They just don't want to run anymore.

And yet Jesus, whose birth we remember, is one that we certainly want to run towards.

The shepherds are a great example to us of importance of the birth of Jesus. The message translation records what happened to the shepherds after the angels left them, The shepherds talked it over. *"Let's get over to Bethlehem as fast as we can and see for ourselves what God has revealed to us." They left, running, and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. Seeing was believing. Luke 2:15-17 MSG* 

You have got to love the shepherds. They hear about the good news of Jesus and at once drop everything and race to find him. They left running. In doing so they got to look into the eyes of the Son of God lying in the manger. They ran to the saviour of the world; they ran to meet 'Immanuel - 'God with us'. In all our running about in various directions this Christmas, let us make time to run towards Jesus, whether that is in a service, in prayer or in a moment of reflection. Let us run towards the manger and as the shepherds did, let us also stop, pause for breath, and gaze in wonder at 'God with us' - even us! Perhaps then, focussed on Jesus, we might ask ourselves, "Why am I running around so much?"

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# Christmas Services at St Leonard's

### Friday 19th December

A Service of 9 Lessons and Carols at 7pm with mulled wine & mince pies before the service.

# Sunday 17th December

Family Nativity at 11.30am with Reverend Paul. Come dressed as an angel, shepherd, sheep, wise man in order to take part (adults as well as children if you wish).

# Sunday 24th December

Family Communion at 11.30am

**Christmas Day** Communion with Carols at 9.00am

#### **School Dinners**

Cheshire East Catering have increased the cost of their school meals from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 to £2.75 for the children in Squirrels and Badgers' Class unless they are entitled to free school meals.

The children in Otters and Hedgehogs' Class will continue to receive universal infant free school meals.



If you need help from a foodbank, please speak to Mrs Appleby or Mrs Charlesworth in confidence.

https://www.trusselltrust.org/

## <u>School Carpark – Polite Reminder</u>

Parents are not permitted to use the village hall carpark unless they have a Blue Badge. Please use the school carpark or park on the road, if the carpark is full.

#### Starting the school day on the right foot!

It's important that the children come to school prepared for their school day with a water bottle, their book bags and PE Kit.

It's also important that they arrive on time. The school gates open at 8:30am and the register is taken at 8:45am. Children arriving after 8:45am receive a late mark in the register. We do understand that from time to time a child might be late, but it's important that it's not most days. From 8:30 to 8:45am the children have a chance to catch up with their friends, put their things away and complete some early work challenges. The class teachers also use this time to work with some of the children. Being late can be really unsettling for some children.



Stop UK Hunger



Let Your Light Shine - Ours Stars this Week:

**Otters** (Reception) ~ Rogan for the joy he has shown in all aspects of his learning this week. **Hedgehogs** (Y1) ~ Ted for showing his service and joy shown in his problem solving of Maths. **Hedgehogs** (Y2) ~ Ivy for her service to her writing about Nibbles.

**Squirrels** (Y3) ~ Lewis for showing wisdom in his learning and performing so well in his recent Maths quizzes! Keep up the good work!

**Squirrels** (Y4) ~Azalea for showing friendship and being a great friend and showing such kindness to others.

**Badgers** (Y5) ~ Jack for the perseverance and progress he has shown in reading this term.

**Badgers** (Y6) ~ Lilly for the perseverance and progress she has shown in reading too

**PE Award** (KS1) ~ Rogan for showing resilience and great behaviour during PE.

**PE Award** (KS2) ~ Freddie for showing joy and perseverance during PE. He's always eager to join in the lesson.

**Mrs Appleby's Principal Award** ~ Eliza for the perseverance she has shown whilst learning all of her times tables. Well done Eliza.

House Points				
House	Birch	Oak	Sycamore	Willow
This Week	231	227	210	267
Top of the House	Oliver O, Rogan C	Isobelle, Maisie,	Lydia, Emily	Ellie
		Lucas		
This Year	2037	1989	2127	2235



This week our Ethos Council have chosen Jack F for being really brave when hurt his knee.

#### This Week's Family Bible Reading

Angels and Dreams Pages 210 – 213

# Christmas Services

# St Leonard's, Warmingham, CW11 3NH

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 10:00am School Christingle Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 7:00pm - Nine Lessons & Carols Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Dec 11:30am - Family Nativity (Come dressed as a shepherd, angel or wise man) Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 2:00pm - School Nativity Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 6:00pm - School Carol Service Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Dec 11:30am - Family Communion Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Dec 9:00am - Christmas Communion

You are very welcome to join us



#### Autumn Term 2023

13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner 13<sup>th</sup> December – PTA Christmas Fair @ 3:15pm 18<sup>th</sup> December – Home Learning Exhibition @ 2pm 19<sup>th</sup> December – Otters and Hedgehogs Nativity Play @ St Leonard's @ 2pm 20<sup>th</sup> December – Squirrels and Badgers Carol Service @ 6pm 21<sup>st</sup> December – Y6 delivering Christmas Cards to local residents

#### Spring Term 2024

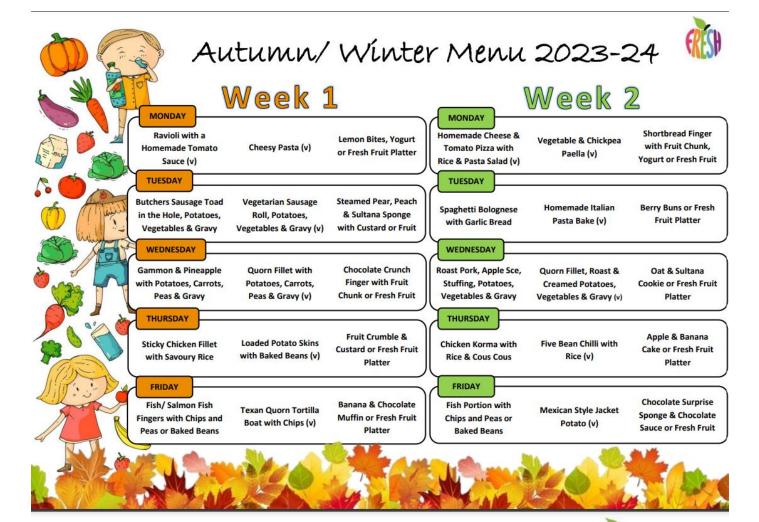
6<sup>th</sup> February – SENs Day 12<sup>th</sup> February - Home Learning Exhibition @ 2pm 13<sup>th</sup> February – SENs Day 13<sup>th</sup> February – Pancake Sponsored Flip (PTA) 13<sup>th</sup> February – Parents Evening 14<sup>th</sup> February – Parents Evening 19<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> March – Hedgehogs Residential @ Burwardsley 20<sup>th</sup> March – Squirrels and Badgers' Parents invited to lunch 25<sup>th</sup> March - Home Learning Exhibition @ 2pm 28<sup>th</sup> March Easter Service @ St Leonard's 28<sup>th</sup> March – Y6 delivering Easter Eggs to local residents

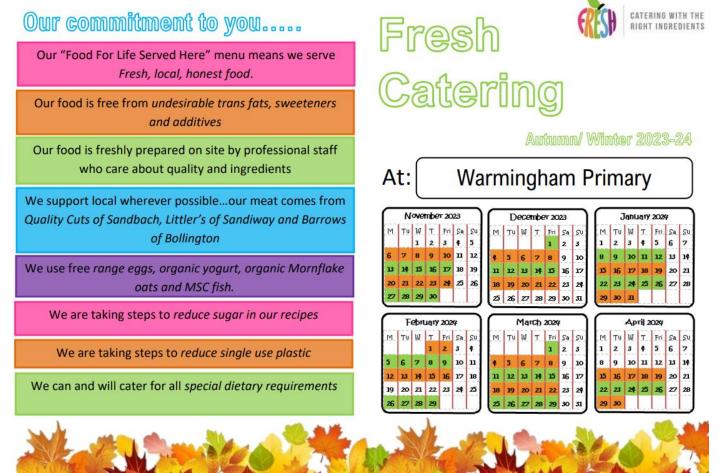
#### Summer Term 2024

15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> April – Squirrels & Badgers Residential @ Robinwood Activity Centre 16<sup>th</sup> April – Otters' & Hedgehogs' Parents invited to lunch 19<sup>th</sup> April – 5<sup>th</sup> July Swimming lessons KS2 1<sup>st</sup> May – Year 6 Leaver's Photographs 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> May – KS2 SATs Week (Y6)
20<sup>th</sup> May - Home Learning Exhibition @ 2pm 4<sup>th</sup> June – SENs Day 11<sup>th</sup> June – SENs Day 11<sup>th</sup> June – Ethos Conference 21<sup>st</sup> June – Sports Day & Family Picnic 28<sup>th</sup> June – Reserve Sports Day 3<sup>rd</sup> July – PTA Summer Fair 12<sup>th</sup> July – End of Year School Reports sent home 15<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Prom (Y5 invited)

#### **TERM Dates & INSET Days**

New dates or changes to previously advertised dates are shown in bold.





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