

PENSHURST C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



Dear parents

News from around the school

Dear Parents,

We are now officially on the countdown to Christmas.

We held our Christingle Services today; I hope those parents attending enjoyed the services. Our Oak Class Worship Team did a wonderful job of delivering the service. Our next school Christmas event is the Infant Nativity on Wednesday 13th December. Elm and Oak class will be putting on 'in school' carols and readings on the morning of Thursday 14th December – parents are very welcome to come and join us. There is plenty to look forward to.

This weekend sees the Music Day in the Church (Saturday, 2nd December) – all are welcome to attend.

Next week our PTA will be busy preparing for and then hosting their Secret Christmas Shopping event – details have already been distributed. The day ends with a PTA Captain Fantastic Christmas Party. Sounds great fun. It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas....

Sue Elliott,
Headteacher

Lighting the Christingles



Stars of the Week for Weeks 4 and 5

Maple Class **Tilly** (W5) for demonstrating compassion and always helping others.

Inara (W6) for working hard to develop her resilience.

Elm Class Year 1: **Isabella** (W5) for working hard with her writing. **Rocky** (W6) for working incredibly hard at everything! Year 2 : **Nate** (W5) for embracing challenges and doing his best. **Imogen** (W6) for showing great perseverance and a positive attitude.

Beech Class: Year 3 **George** (W5) for working so hard on his presentation . **Max** (W6) for excellent planning of his writing. Year 4: **Luca** (W5) for his hard work across the curriculum. **Sophie** (W6) for super science work.

Oak Class : Year 5: **Chloe** (W5) for giving 100% to everything. **Harriet** (W6) for great work with fractions. Year 6 : **Arlo** (W5) for demonstrating kindness and always being polite. **Martha** (W6) for marvellous maths.



Stars of the Week (Week 5 and 6)



Year 5 & 6 Computing

Pupils in Years 5 and 6 have been getting to grips with our computing curriculum. They have been programming 'Crumbles' to carry a range of tasks – for example turning a motor or making LED lights flash – some amazing work going on in Oak Class! Well done Miss Bettridge and the team.



PTA Events

Next Friday – 8th December – is the PTA's Secret Shopping event and Christmas Parties – please contact PTA for tickets and more details.

Charity Fundraising

Well done to our school community for the following amazing fund raising results.

Poppy Appeal over **£90**
Children in Need a whopping and amazing **£520**

Thank you for your generous support



Relax Kids

We are very lucky to be working with Nikki Valentine who delivers our Relax Kid sessions. Last year we offered sessions to all children through our wider curriculum offer and we are aiming to do the same again this year. The children have loved the sessions and teachers report that pupils use the calming strategies that they have learned - the children also love Nikki! Nikki is now offering weekend sessions that cover a range of relaxation techniques. For more information contact her at the following email address nikki@relaxkidsashdown.co.uk There is also a copy of the flyer in the school reception area.

MOVE PLAY STRETCH FEEL BREATHE BELIEVE RELAX

relax Kids

Every Saturday morning for 6 weeks: 06/01/24 to 10/02/24 St Richard's Church Crowborough

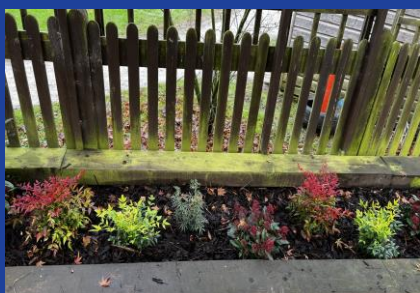
9.30 to 10.30 Years 1, 2 & 3
11.00 to 12.00 Years 4, 5 & 6
Cost: £55

Places are extremely limited and reserved on a first come, first served basis.
Please email: nikki@relaxkidsashdown.co.uk

Reflection

Garden Update

Many thanks to Rachael Foster, her mum and mother-in-law who have been updating the planting in our Reflection Garden – it looks so lovely again.



Amelia, Inara, Gabriel, Tilly Alina Ffion & Parker (Maple)
Poppy, Florence, Freida, Freddie, Jospeh, Thea, Elwyn, Imogen, Lily, Nate, Rocky, William, Lukass, Annie, Lina, Isabella & Fergus (Elm)
Ava-Grace, Amelia, Layla, Tilly, Theo, Bunnirose, George, Harry, Zachary, Gilbert, Max, Luca (Beech)
Martha, Harriet, Oscar, Jimmy, Raphael, Chloe, Tatum, Arlo, Tadhg (Oak)

**All reached GOLD in weeks 4 and /or 5.
Well done to them all!**

DIARY DATES



PTA Christmas Jumper Day / Own Clothes Day – 8th December 2023

PTA Secret Santa Shopping – 8th December 2023

PTA Christmas Party – 8th December

Infant Nativity – Wednesday 13th December 2023; 2pm

Beech and Oak Christmas Carols – Thursday 14th December 2023, 9,15 am at school.

Last Day of Term 2 : Friday 15th December 2023.

Term 3 begins : Tuesday 2nd January 2023