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# **Simply the Nativity**

Final preparations are going ahead and we are all looking forward to seeing the audiences for the performances next week.

Dates & times: Wednesday 11th December at 6:00 pm

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 9:15 am (tickets still available)

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2:00 pm

Evening performance – please ensure children are back at school between 5.30 and 5.45pm. There will be additional parking on the playground and in the staff car park from 5.30pm. However, please be aware that, if you park in the playground or car park, you may be held back from leaving until the site it is clear of children and it is safe to move your vehicle.

# **Advent: The Travelling Nativity**

Children from each class have started to bring home the travelling nativity set. During the advent season these nativity sets go home with every child in the school for a single night. When it is your turn as a family, we encourage you to spend some time together retelling the Christmas story and reflecting on what is important to you this Christmas. It is very important that this set is returned the following day as we share the books in class.

# **Being historians**

As part of their learning about Romans, Ash class had a visit from Mr Bates who works as an archaelolgist and has visited our school previously to organise a dig. He explained to the children about how the painstaking work of archaeologists and how the things they find give us clues about the past. The children were lucky enough to handle some Roman pottery - at least 2000 years old – and identify what the Romans might have used it for. Amazing!







# Family services at St Mary's Church, Shipley

These shorter, more family friendly services last for 45 minutes and include refreshments afterwards. The next service is the carol Service on Sunday  $22^{nd}$  December 6:00 pm – Carol Service

The Crib Service is on Christmas Eve, Tuesday 24th December at 5pm

If your child would like a role in the Church nativity performance -please contact Gavin Kenny Gavin.ia.Kenny@gmail.com

If your child(ren) would like to do a reading or a prayer at the service please contact Peter Sanderson the choirmaster and organist who arranges the Carol Service. His contact details are 01403 741170 or Choir@Shipley.Church

#### **Christmas Jumper Day and FOSS Christmas Cracker Lunch**

This will be held on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December (last day of term)

# **The Weald Christmas Craft Show**

Please see attachments

#### **READING REWARDS**

	RUBY	EMERALD	AMETHYST	DIAMOND	Wormery
WILLOWS			Ruby	Isla O	
OAKS		Indy	Lottie		
ASH		Emilie			
SYCAMORES			Bunny		



When a child does something amazing, we like to celebrate the event in Friday's assembly.

WILLOWS - Chloe for her brilliant handwriting and name writing!

Isla for a fantastic letter to Father Christmas!

OAKS - Edie and Ozzy for always making the right choices at school about learning and behaviour.

ASH - Eva for persevering with Boudica letter and trying her best.

Kayla for excellent progress in maths.

SYCAMORES - Siennagrace, Sienna-Rose for being kind and caring towards others.

Rosie for a fantastic 200-word story

Staff have golden tickets to give to children in Willows and Oaks. All golden tickets are put into a weekly draw. This week's winner is Arlo.

Kind regards Jen Harvey and Jill Phillips

# DIARY DATES AUTUMN TERM/SPRING TERM 2024/2025

#### **DECEMBER**

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December Evening Performance of *Simply the Nativity 6 pm*Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December Morning Performance of *Simply the Nativity 9:15 am*Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December Afternoon Performance of *Simply the Nativity 2:00 pm* 

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December Easy Lunch – Christmas Lunch

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December Christingle Service at St Marys Church 2:00 pm. Parents

invited to attend

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December FOSS - Christmas Cracker Lunch

FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER LAST DAY OF TERM

**SPRING TERM 2025** 

MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED

TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY SPRING TERM STARTS

FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED

HALF TERM MONDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBURARY – FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY

FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL LAST DAY OF TERM

**SPORTING EVENTS** 

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December Y5/6 Quicksticks Hockey 3:30-5:00 pm (selected pupils only)