



24th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a good, somewhat drier week.

PTFA Disco: We are looking forward to the discos this afternoon. Thank you to our wonderful PTFA for organising an event the children are super excited about.

Christmas Fair: Fri 8th December 3:15pm: We are also looking forward to the school Christmas Fair. The PTFA are keen for helpers for the Christmas Fair so please do get in contact with the PTFA if you can offer your helping hands.

Christmas Jumper/Accessory Day Friday 1st December: Children are welcome to come to school in a Christmas jumper or accessory (e.g hat) on the 1st December. Please can they bring a bottle for our Christmas Tombola. The bottles will be collected at the front of school that Friday morning.

Romsey Abbey Christmas Fair: Tomorrow 10am - 2pm come along to the Abbey Christmas Fair. Our school choir will be singing at the fair along with a wide variety of Christmas games, activities and stalls. I hope to see you there.

Punctuality and Attendance: Please remember that our gate opening times are 8:40am - 8:50am. It is really important that all children are in school by 8:50am. We understand that traffic in Romsey can be problematic, parking is tricky and children can be very slow moving in the mornings but it is expected that parents make necessary adjustments to ensure all children are in school on time. Children should not be routinely late. There seem to be lots of bugs and viruses going round at the moment so we are encouraging excellent hygiene in school. If you are unsure whether to send your child into school please give us a call in the morning. Children with coughs and the common cold are likely to be fit enough for school unless they have a high temperature. We would recommend that you send them into school having had some Calpol; we can always give you a call if they are struggling during the day.

Public Speaking Competition: There have been some lovely speeches across the classes this week with children sharing what is important to them with their classmates. The winners from each class will receive their certificates and have a chance to share their speech with the whole school on Monday afternoon.

Dates for your Diary: Please follow this link to the all important dates for your diary in what is a very busy half term with Christmas taking centre stage in coming weeks as we prepare for celebrating something very important to us as a school: [Qaqv3rcTOhllGpgLuw5Jpz_roi8-UQP-67qL45jBc/edit](https://www.google.com/calendar/invite?source=calendar&sourceurl=Qaqv3rcTOhllGpgLuw5Jpz_roi8-UQP-67qL45jBc/edit)

Prayer: I will finish with a prayer that you are most welcome to join me in praying.

Dear God,



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We pray for those in our school community that are poorly at the moment and ask that they would get better soon. We pray that as we enter the busy Christmas build up that we would keep our focus on the gift of love and hope that God gave in sending His Son, Jesus. May we be sharers of love and hope with those around us.

Amen

Have a wonderful weekend everybody.

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