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Newsletter 14 – 13th December 2024

Class News

- Nursery - have been really excited to practise their nativity in the big hall!
- YR - have been busy developing out kneading, stirring and weighing skills whilst making gingerbread men!
- Y1 - have been learning facts about Queen Elizabeth I
- Y2 - really enjoying making charcoal at forest school this week
- Y3 - have been busy rehearsing for next week's performances – we can't wait!
- Y4 - have loved exploring the different parts of the water cycle in their Science lessons
- Y5 - thoroughly enjoyed learning how to use grid references on a map - we now know how hard road trips must have been a long, long time ago!
- Y6 - have had a busy week rehearsing for the Christmas performance...the audience are in for a real treat!

Dear Parents,

Christmas is definitely in full swing at St Ives! We are really looking forward to seeing you all next week at the performances!

Well done to the school Y5/6 football team who have played two games this week. As ever, the team has represented itself in an impeccable and sporting manner, well done!

Reminders

- Children should only bring a plain biscuit or piece of fruit for a snack. This not only promotes healthy eating but also ensures the school keeps rubbish to a minimum.
- In the run-up to Christmas we have turned a bit of a blind eye however from January please remember no 'sweets'/large chocolate bars in lunchboxes please.

Christmas dates & updates

December

- 17th KS1 Christmas Performance 2.00pm
- 18th KS1 Christmas Performance 9.30am
KS2 Christmas Performances @ Verwood Hub 4pm & 6.45pm
- 19th School Carol Service at All Saints Church 1.30pm (**normal uniform**)
- 20th **Last day of term** - Christmas Party day! (party clothes)
Nursery – 1.00pm finish
KS1/R – 1.05pm finish
KS2 – 1.15pm finish



School Carol Service

The whole school will be walking up to All Saints Church on Thursday 19th December at 1.30pm to take part in our school carol service. You are welcome to join us to sing a few carols! **Please note all children to wear normal uniform (no PE kit).**

Christmas Tree

The school has a beautiful Christmas tree that is looking for a home after 20th December. If you would like it please contact the school office. It seems such a shame for it to waste away and not be enjoyed post school closing.

Party Day – Friday

Children can wear their Christmas party clothes (please no heels!). They can bring in board games to enjoy with their friends during the day (no electronics) and we will be having a visit from a very special person!

Online Safety

The holiday season is fast approaching! While we hope you're excited to kick back, relax, and enjoy some well-earned rest with friends and family, it's still vitally important that we do all we can to safeguard the children and young people in our care over the festive period.

However, it can be tricky to know what specific steps we can take to ensure our winter break is as calm and risk-free as possible, which is why this week's free guide contains expert advice on keeping youngsters safe over the festive season.

Inset days 2024-25

- Friday 23rd May 2025
- Monday 21st July 2025
- Tuesday 22nd July 2025
- Wednesday 23rd July 2025

School Starters 2024- Closing date 15th January 2025

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RINGWOOD SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR ENTRY SEPTEMBER 2026

Ringwood School would like to advise you that their proposed school admissions arrangements for entry September 2026 has gone out for consultation.

The consultation period runs from **Wednesday 11th December 2024 to Wednesday 29th January 2025**.

Further details of the Admissions Policy for entry September 2026 can be found on their website

For admission from September 2026 they are proposing;

Current wording:

4. Children who at the time of application have a sibling (see (c) in Definitions) on the roll of the school who will still be on roll at the time of admission.

New wording:

4. Children who live within the school's catchment area (see (d and e) in Definitions) AND who at the time of application have a sibling (see (c) in Definitions) on the roll of the school who will still be on roll at the time of admission.

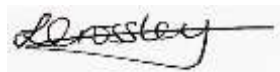
5. This criteria is unchanged and remains priority 5.

6. Children who live outside the school's catchment area (see (d and e) in Definitions) AND who at the time of application have a sibling (see (c) in Definitions) on the roll of the school who will still be on roll at the time of admission

Should you wish to comment on the proposed changes, please note these should be submitted in writing to the school address for the attendance of the Admissions Officer and should be marked for attention of "Admissions Consultation" or by e-mail to admissions@ringwood.hants.sch.uk.

The closing date for all responses is Wednesday 29th January 2025.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs L Crossley

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