

# MORE NEWS

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Please may we remind you not to congregate outside school at drop off and pick up times.

Please be considerate of other pedestrians when sharing what is a very busy path way and use the path on the other side of the road when possible to ease congestion.

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## DIARY DATES

### November

23rd Year 3 Cooking Week  
30th Year 2 Cooking Week

### December

3rd Flu Immunisation  
3rd Twelve days of Christmas begins!  
4th Reception—Nurse visit  
4th Year 6 Victorian Day  
7th Year 1 Cooking Week  
14th Year 4 Cooking Week  
18th End of Autumn term

### January

4th Inset Day  
5th Back to School!  
11th Reception Visit from Lion Learners

## PUPIL NEWS

Year 5 had a fantastic Egyptian Day this week. If you have not yet made your contribution please may we kindly ask that you do so. We cannot continue to run these amazing activities without them.



### Eco Club—Year 3

Year 3 will be doing Eco Club on Friday afternoons from the 13th November until Christmas. Due to the Covid 19 policies and procedures, the children will not have to bring in a change of clothes but will work in their PE kits. However, every child will need a named pair of gardening gloves to protect their hands. These are readily available online. Gloves should be washed between each session. As we will endeavour to be outside wherever possible please ensure they are wearing a warm coat.

## CATERING NEWS

**Juniors please pay lunches  
on School Money- £2.20 per day**  
Autumn Term

Week 1 (new menu)  
**Kindly make sure the kitchen is  
aware of any allergies.**  
Snack Bar 25p

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Clubs—

Clubs are now finished apart from the following:  
Music—last session 24th November  
Infant Art—last session 25th November  
Netball 3/4/5/6— last session 25th November  
Homework 3/4/5/6—last session 25th November  
Football 5/6— last session 26th November  
Cross Country - last session 26th November  
Debating—last session 26th November.

**Adhoc spaces are available for Early Birds (£3) and Double Club (£12) should you need childcare. Please email the office if you wish to book onto any sessions.**

**School Photos—** Photographs are now available to view on the Pret a Portrait website <https://www.pret-a-portrait.net/> using the details on the card your child brought home.

**Curriculum Top-Up—** Thank you so much to the parents who have already paid this top-up. Please could we encourage all parents to contribute so that we can undertake cooking, craft, clay, making etc!

## SPORTS NEWS

**Swimming**— Due to lockdown swimming lessons are postponed. We will update you when we can begin them again.

**Cheerleading**—I am pleased to announce that our year 6 cheerleading team; Amelia Fox, Jessica Schimpf and Matilda Mannion won gold for their routine in the competition. Flo Bissett, Daisy Harty and Emilia Clark won Bronze. We are delighted to have two teams in the top places. Our gold winning team will now progress to the county finals. All the children performed so well and should be extremely proud of themselves. All four routines will be available on the website.

**Indoor Athletics Competition**—over the last term every child in Y1—y6 has taken part in a virtual indoor athletics competition. Every child has completed a series of 5 activities including running, jumping and throwing. All of the events have been measured and recorded and results sent to our Uttlesford Sports Coordinator. These results will now be placed alongside results from all other local schools to determine an overall school winner. In addition to this, every child's result has been logged against the British Athletics award scheme and each child has been awarded a level within this scheme. The levels they have achieved represents their own individual scores and achievements. I am hugely proud of every child who has tried their best during this competition and we look forward to seeing how we get on. Children will be receiving their awards during class assembly time next week.

## STATEMENT OF BELIEF

I can work, play, rest and pray each day.

## PSA

**Christmas Cards**— Thank you to everyone who has purchased cards, mugs etc This activity has raised over £600 for our school!

**Twelve Days of Christmas**—As we are unable to have a Christmas Bazaar this year or indeed any other PSA events we are organising a "Twelve Days of Christmas Experience" for the children. For a cost of £12 (probably less than you spend at the bazaar) we will be giving the children twelve consecutive fun activities over twelve days, starting on 2nd December. Some activities include live streamed productions, craft activities, a Christmas Sports Day and many others! Please support us in this. Our parents and PSA have raised the necessary amount £7000 per year for the last two years to pay our laptop lease. We have one more year of this commitment. Please help us to raise this amount this year!

## PRAYER OF THE WEEK

We thank you for our freedom.  
Freedom to play, laugh, love, learn and sing with our friends around the world.

Lord our Father, we pray for peace.

We remember those who died for us in all wars. The blood red poppy symbolises their greatest gift.

Lord our Father, we pray for peace.

Protect all those who serve their country, the military, doctors and nurses. Comfort and guide them in difficult times.

Lord our Father, we pray for peace.

Look after children who live with war today. We pray that they will be able to play, laugh, love, learn and sing soon.

Lord our Father, we pray for peace.

Amen

Thea, Alfie, Leo and Amelia—Year 2

