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## Diary Dates



**28th October – 1st November** – Half Term

**4th November** – Pret-a-Portrait, Individual & Sibling Photos. & Year 4 Cooking week

**5th November** – Year 3 Cambridge Museum & Clothing Collection

**6th November** – Reception Builders Day & Parents' Evening 5.30pm – 8.30pm. Clubs Cancelled.

**8th November** – Break the Rules Day

**11th November** – Year 6 Cooking

**13th November** – Year 5 Saffron Walden Museum & Year 6 Tea Concert 2pm

**14th November** – Parents' Evening 4pm – 7pm. Clubs Cancelled.

**18th November** – Year 5 Cooking Week

**19th November** – Year 6 to Genome Campus

**20th November** – Year 6 Victorian Day

**28th November** – Wreath Making 7pm

**30th November** – Christmas Fete

**4th December** – Clubs make up session from the 6th November

**5th December** – Clubs make up sessions

**6th December** – Reception Class Shooting Stars

**7th December** – Spirit of Christmas 4pm Y5&6.

**9th December** – Reception Cooking week

**10th December** – Y6 Prayer & Liturgy (Advent)

**12th December** – Infant Concert 2pm & 6.30pm

**16th December** – Infant Christmas Party 1.30pm

**17th December** – KS2 Concert 2pm & 6.30pm

**18th December** – Whole School Christmas Lunch

**19th December** – Junior Party 1.30pm & Author Visit for Reception & Y1 2pm

**20th December** – 9.30am Christmas Mass, All welcome. Last Day of Term

## Lunch

w/c **4th November Week 1**

Please pay lunches on School Money - £2.40 per day

## Swimming

**4th November – Year 3&5**

**5th November – Year 2**

### Message from Mrs McNally

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the children, families and staff for all their hard work and continued support during the first half term of the year. It has been very busy and the children have taken part in a huge variety of activities and events. We can be very proud of all they have achieved. I wish you all a great half-term holiday and hope you get chance to relax.

### Secondary School Applications for September 2025 – Reminder for Year 6 Parents

As you may be aware, the statutory closing date for applications from parents of Year 6 children (for a secondary school place in Year 7 from September 2025) is **31 October 2024**. Any applications made late are dealt with after those made on time and so applying late reduces the chances of being offered a preferred school.

Applications can be made via our website [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions).

### Reception 2025 - Open Mornings

Our open mornings for new starters in September 2025 will be held on Tuesday 12th November and Wednesday 4th December at 9.30am. Please do spread the word to anyone you think might be interested.

### Harvest Festival Assembly

Many thanks to Year 2 who led the whole school in a wonderful harvest celebration today, giving thanks to God through prayers, readings, hymns and poems. Thank you so much for all your generous donations to Uttlesford foodbank. Your kindness is very much appreciated.



## Prayer of the Week

**Sunday 27th October is the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Alleluia, Alleluia

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life.  
Alleluia

Dear God

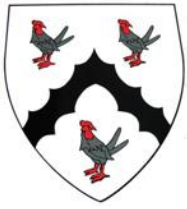
Thank you for the wonderful world that you have created.

We are grateful for all the juicy, ripe apples hanging from the trees and the fresh vegetables that we dig from the earth.

Help us to share all that we have to show that we care for everyone.

Amen

By Esme, Maya, Sophie, Gigi and Fifi – Year 2



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## Pret-a-Portrait – Monday 4th November

We would like to remind everyone that Pret-a-Portrait will be coming into school on the first day back after half term (Monday 4th November) to take individual and sibling photographs. Please ensure children come into school in the correct uniform and hair is neat and tidy. Thank you.

## Parents Evening – 6th November & 14th November

Please make sure you have booked your appointments.

**\*Clubs will be cancelled on these days, clubs on the 6th November will be made up on Wednesday 4th December. We will not be able to make up clubs from 14th November, please contact the School Office for a refund\***

## Christmas Cards

The closing date is **29th October**. If you have not already done so, please place your orders.

## PSA News

### Christmas Wreath Workshop

The PSA are excited to announce a Christmas wreath-making workshop on Thursday 28th November at 7pm. The tickets will cost £35 per person and will include all materials and a glass of prosecco. There will also be a bar and a raffle. You may buy tickets from the shop on School Money. There are a few tickets remaining, please purchase over half term if you wish to join us!

### PSA Events

Please look out for an envelope sent home today containing the PSA Newsletter, More Christmas News and raffle tickets!

## More Sports News

On Wednesday 23rd our Yr 5 and 6 Dodgeball teams took part in the USSP Dodgeball tournament at the Lord Butler Leisure Centre. The teams played against 20 teams from across Uttlesford. They had a great morning of Dodgeball finishing in 4th, 7th and 8th positions. Well done to everyone who took part and to the helpers who assisted with walking the children to the event.

