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Dear parents and carers,

The weather has continued to get even more wintry over the last couple of weeks! Thank you for your support in ensuring that your children come to school with a clearly-labelled warm and, where possible, waterproof coat, as well as a hat, scarf and gloves, if appropriate.

On Wednesday this week, we kicked off our festive celebrations with our Christmas fayre! It was lovely to see lots of Christmas jumpers, dresses and other Christmassy clothing being worn by many of our school community. As you know, this event is run by the PTA and requires an enormous amount of organisation, planning and thought. From everyone at Sandringham, we would like to express how grateful we are to the PTA for putting on this memorable event for all of our children and to every parent who helped; it was great to welcome you into school for the morning or afternoon. Every child thoroughly enjoyed themselves and hasn't stopped talking about it since! We are also really excited to share lots of photographs of the event with you in our next newsletter, but, in the meantime, we have included a photo of the winner of the 'Guess the Reindeer Name' competition below!

I am also really looking forward to seeing many of you at our Head Teacher coffee morning, which is taking place on Thursday 7th December at 10:30am. This is an opportunity for you to come and ask any questions you may have or share any feedback in a more informal setting. Even if you would just like to stop by to say hello and have a hot drink, it would be great to see you there!

We are also approaching the deadline for applying for a place in our Reception classes next year, if you have a child who was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020. It has been wonderful to welcome so many families to look round the school at our open days over the last couple of months and to showcase the amazing environment we provide for all of our children. The deadline for submitting your application is Monday 15th January 2024. Please don't hesitate to speak to us if you need any support with this.



Have a great weekend,

Mr Lodge

Star of the Week and Core Values Awards

A huge well done to all of these superstars for winning a Star of the Week or Core Values award!



Star of the Week

Chloe, Betsy, Roux, Freya, Cash, Elliott, Theo, Piper, Demi,
Ella, Jack, Isabelle

Core Values

Elsie-Mae, Alana, Isla-Rose, Mara, Roux, Noura, Reeva, Matilda





General updates

Diary updates:

Autumn 2

Monday 4th December 2023—year 2 visiting Frimley CofE to watch Christmas performance

Wednesday 6th December 2023—reindeer run; Christmas dinners and Christmas jumper day (Reception, year 1 and year 2)

Thursday 7th December—Head Teacher coffee morning (10:30am)

Thursday 7th December 2023—Little Red Riding Hood pantomime

Tuesday 12th December—Christingle services at school (children wearing Christmas jumpers)

Wednesday 13th December 2023—Reception nativity performance at Frimley Baptist Church (parents, carers and year 1 children)

Thursday 14th December 2023—Reception nativity performance at Frimley Baptist Church (parents, carers and year 2 children)

Friday 15th December 2023—Christmas parties; mufti day

Friday 15th December 2023—end of term (1:10pm collection)

For details of Christmas activities in Nursery, please refer to the leaflet that has been sent on ScoPay.

Spring 1

Tuesday 2nd January 2024—start of term

Monday 8th January 2024—prospective Reception parent open morning (9:15am)

Monday 15th January 2024—INSET day (Nursery and academy closed to all children)

Friday 9th February—Sports for Schools athlete visit and workshop (further details to follow)

Friday 9th February 2024—end of half term

Attendance

Whole school target: 97% Year-to-date whole school attendance: 95.9%

Class group attendance:

Moles —95% Hedgehogs – 96.3%

Squirrels – 97%

Owls - 95.3%

Rabbits - 95.7%

Foxes - 95.8%





Spotlight on EYFS...



This week, the spotlight is on our Nursery and Reception classes.

In Nursery, we have been developing our mathematical skills. We have been learning all about the number 2: recognising the numeral, counting aloud to 2, singing number rhymes, matching two numbers or objects as well as beginning to subitise. We have played games and hunts, spotting the numeral 2 indoors and outdoors. We have continued learning about celebrations in Topic. We used our palms to print and create poppy pictures for Remembrance Day.







In Reception, we have been unpacking the story of the Gingerbread Man. The children loved retelling the story using actions and really loved when they got to make them at school and eat them. When the children were in the outside area, there was a hunt to find all of the words about the Gingerbread Man. We were really focussed on this and made our adults proud with all the amazing list writing we did. We are also starting to get very busy with our practices for the nativity but we can't show you any pictures yet!











Is your child starting school in September 2024?



We would love to invite you to visit our fantastic Infant & Nursery Academy!

This will include a welcome presentation from our senior leadership team and a tour of the school.







Monday 2nd October 2023 – 9:15am Monday 16th October 2023 – 9:15am Monday 13th November 2023 – 9:15am Tuesday 14th November 2023 – 1.30pm Monday 8th January 2024 – 9:15am





Kite Academy Trust Kite Family Hub

Transition Support Videos

A pre-recorded workshop for parents and carers,
offering practical advice and strategies to support children to
prepare for school transitions

This is a three part workshop:

- Part 1— Introduction/general information regarding transition
- Part 2—Transition to Infant/Primary School
- Part 3—Transition to Secondary School

These practical strategies focus on preparing children for transitions (i.e. moving to a new year group or school) but will be transferable to other changes and periods of transition children may face



The recordings are available on our website and can be accessed by clicking on the links below:

Part1

https://kiteacademy.sharepoint.com/:v:/s/homelearning/ EYmuiXXHMchKtRYireC/xhsB10jO_Uym1_clMjYkfYllRg?e=Vh1gul

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Part3

https://kiteacademy.sharepoint.com/:v:/s/homelearning/EVTTACQF-15DobQx-FhLkQQBLgpuWQHvrk5aebG81uLk1A?e=pM9kMT

If you have any further questions on transitions or would like to discuss anything else, please contact us on: fsw@kite.academy

You can also book onto a Come & Ask session, which is a one hour appointment that can be held face to face, over the phone or virtually. Please email our team on fsw@kite.academy and we can arrange a convenient date and time

The Kite Family Hub is located next to Mytchett Primary & Nursery Academy, Hamesmoor Road,
Mytchett, GU16 6JB



Kite Academy Trust Term Dates & Holidays

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Please note: Additional INSET days are to be added