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This week was the turn of the children in Key Stage 2 to shine. Tuesday saw the carol service at St Augustine's Church. Many thanks to Mrs Morris and Miss Hodgkinson for organising this and to Al for saying a few words and always being on hand to open up the church and making sure it's nice and warm for when we arrive! We've received lots of positive comments from parents.







Bling your Bike or Scooter - This is the first time we have run a competition of this nature and we were amazed to have 50 entries. Thank you to everyone for all your hard work and creativity, they all look absolutely fantastic. We were treated to a parade around the astro at breaktime.





As we near the end of term, we still have three more events to look forward to next week - Carols by candlelight on Monday, Christmas lunch on Wednesday and class parties on Friday. Don't forget to wear those Christmas jumpers! A huge thank you to Kingwell Farm and the Appleyard family for the donation of our lovely Christmas tree in the playground. The children have decorated the tree with ribbons which they have written memories on about loved ones.



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We said a sad farewell to Miss Jackson today who has been our student teacher in Willow Class since September. We would like to thank her for all her hard work and wish her the best of luck as she moves to a new school in January.

Finally, we look forward to seeing you all at the Christmas fayre after school today. A massive thank you to Faye, Alice, Emma and all the PTFA volunteers who do a fantastic job of organising these events to raise valuable funds for the school. The Secret Santa Gift Shop was great fun this week and really got everyone in the festive spirit.



Mrs Cowgill and Mr Turull

Cholwell House Christmas Visit

Yesterday Mrs Evans and Fran took 14 pupils from Year 6 to Cholwell House for a Christmas party with the residents. It was a joy to see them all have such fun together playing christmas games, bingo and colouring christmas jumper designs. There were happy smiling faces all round and the Year 6's were a credit to the school, chatting and getting involved with the activities. Their visit was very much appreciated by the residents and staff of Cholwell House.







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Sycamore Class' term of Food Technology

Sycamore class have been enjoying their cooking section of DT this term. They have been learning about seasonal foods and the personal and environmental benefits of eating seasonally. Bringing all their knowledge together they made sweet or savory tarts, apple and pear being the most popular choice. Everyone agreed that the finished result was 'delicious!' We think there will be a lot of keen young chefs experimenting with lots of seasonal ingredients over the holidays, so get the kitchen stocked mums and dads!









INTERNET SAFETY TALK FOR PARENTS- WEDNESDAY 14th JANUARY 6.30PM - 7.30PM

We'd like to invite you to a parents' evening "It is never going to happen to my child...?" which aims to raise awareness of Child Exploitation, use of social media app and gaming. The session will be run by Andri Nicolaou from Avon and Somerset Constabulary.

Content:

- Overview of online risks (gaming and social media).
- Exploitation of children online / offline.
- Top tips on starting a conversation with your child about the exploitation/grooming and how to work together to use the internet safely.

click here for microsoft teams link



A number of parents have still not signed up to SchoolGrid, we have asked for log in details to be resent in case they have been missed- please ensure you activate your account as soon as possible and prior to the 19th December.

Lunch will need to be booked by midnight on the 1st January for your child to have lunch during w/c 06/01/26. All menus are now available to book. The cut off time for ordering lunches will remain the same i.e lunches need to be booked a week in advance and by midnight on Thursday. The school will not be able to book school dinners if this is not booked in advance. Please can we ask that any lunches that you may have booked for 2026 are cancelled within ParentPay as they will not be transferred to SchoolGrid.



Please can we remind you to log into ParentPay and make payment for any outstanding items as we prepare to transition across to Arbor payments. Residential trips will be set up in Arbor for any future instalment dates, however it would be appreciated if any instalments that are due in December are paid in a timely manner and prior to the 18th December.

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Certificates of the week

Head Teachers Award



Congratulations to Bear, Chloe, Henry, Teddy and Molly for receiving the Head Teachers Award this week.

Doodle Maths



The children who achieved over 100 Doodle stars in their class this week are:

Joshua, Jess, Teddy, Jack, Tilly, Alistair, Renzo, Toby, Hudson, Charlie, Elizabeth and Lainie.





TT Rockstars this week are Max, Jake, Leighton, Harlen and Zander.



Other Awards



Darcie, Paisley and Emily shared their gymnastic awards, Henry and Jacob had football trophies and Eddie brought in his moto cross trophy.

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Notices

- Allergies We have a number of children within school with allergies. To minimize the risk of
 accidental exposure and to ensure a safe learning environment for these students please do not
 send any foods that contain shellfish or nuts into school with your child. We understand that this
 requires an extra measure of caution, and we truly appreciate your cooperation in helping us
 protect these children.
- Lost Property Please label all items of clothing brought into school. Any unclaimed unnamed items of lost property will be added to the Swap and Drop Shop rail at the end of every term.
- **Reception Admissions** please remember that the date for parents to apply for a place for their child in Reception for September 2026 is January 15th.
- School Lunches Please remember to book lunch for midnight on Thursday for the following week.
- **School Office** Please be aware that on Friday afternoons the school office is unmanned between 12pm and 3pm. If you need to speak to someone on that day then please call before 12pm. You can communicate with us via email at office@clutton.mnsp.org.uk and we will endeavour to reply later.
- **School Uniform** If you are unsure of the school uniform policy then please follow the link to the uniform page on the website <u>School Uniform</u>.
- **Drop and Swap Shop** The rail of donated uniform in the office is always available to parents. Please feel free to take anything you like. *There are some Christmas jumpers if you need one!*

Diary Dates

DECEMBER

Monday 15th Carols by Candlelight @ school - 4pm

Wednesday 17th Christmas Dinner

Friday 19th Christmas class parties and end of Term 2

JANUARY

Monday 5th INSET DAY Tuesday 6th Term 3 begins

Monday 12th Mobile library at school (please return any borrowed library books)

Wednesday 14th Internet safety talk for parents "It is never going to happen to my child...?" 6.30pm ONLINE

