



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have finalised our Spring Term Curriculum and they are now available [here](#) on our website. Including in the topics next term, are some very rich History topics across the school. [Squirrel Class](#) will be exploring the 'Children on the Move' project, which gives children the opportunity to learn about World War II evacuation through first-hand accounts from people evacuated and those who were part of billet families in the county, children can explore these questions, become aware of different experiences and perspectives and also learn to evaluate a range of primary sources, from oral history through to newspaper reports and school log books. They will also learn about the seas that surround the UK, and will develop knowledge of the oceans and continents of the world. Children will have the opportunity to investigate how waves are caused and how they move. [Otter Class](#) will be going a little further back in time to the Vikings. Where did the Vikings come from? Where did they invade and settle? Why did they leave Scandinavia? How do we know about them? Children will work on time lines, maps, completing a quiz, and creative writing exercises. They will begin to appreciate why the Vikings were successful and to empathise with the people of Britain who experienced invasion. Children will learn about Viking traders, their routes, the items they traded and their markets by taking part in engaging classroom tasks such as a role-play trade game, a 'senses' art activity and a 'Viking Dragon's Den' challenge. and [Badger Class](#) will be learning about the Romans. In this unit, children will be introduced to the Romans. They will learn about the history of Rome – legend and fact – and understand where in Europe Rome is, and how the Romans came to extend their influence and create such a large and influential empire.

Next week, will be a week filled with Nativity plays and Christmas performances, which is always a delight for our children and families. Please check the times and venue of your child's performance below and if unsure about anything please contact your child's teacher.

Mrs Rowena Kaminski  
Headteacher



## REMINDERS & NOTICES

**Congratulations Darcey Reece- Horton** on winning the School Christmas Card Design this year! We will be presenting Darcey with her gift vouchers in worship next week!

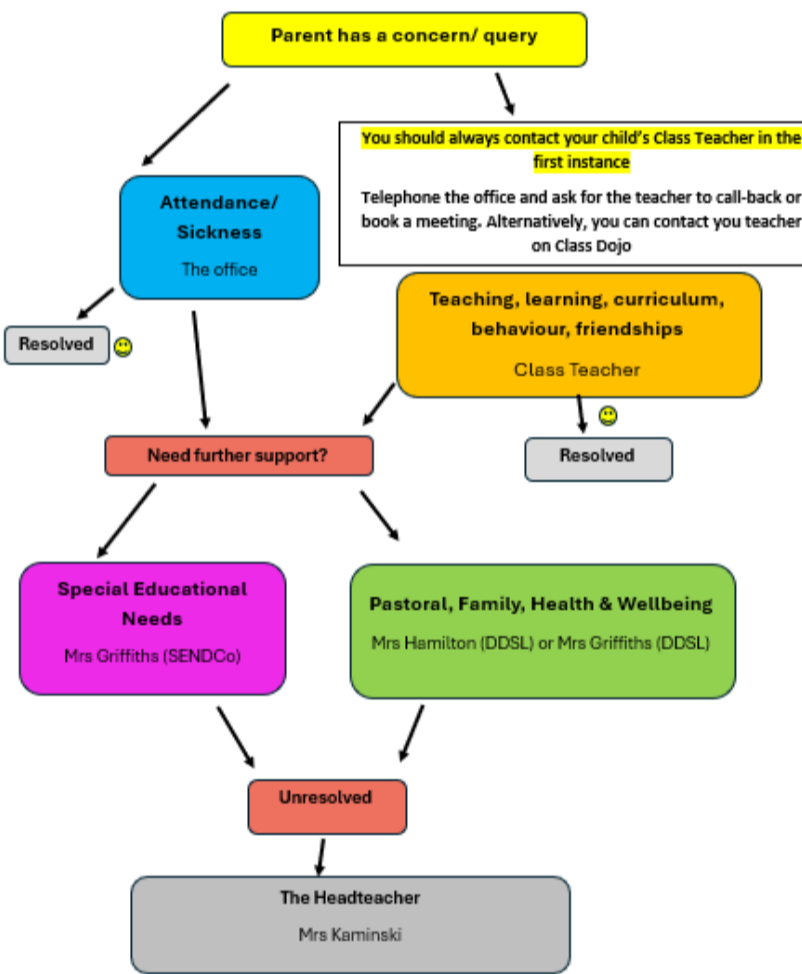


**Nativity role-play – Thankyou Reverand Armstrong for our knitted nativity set in Nursery!**

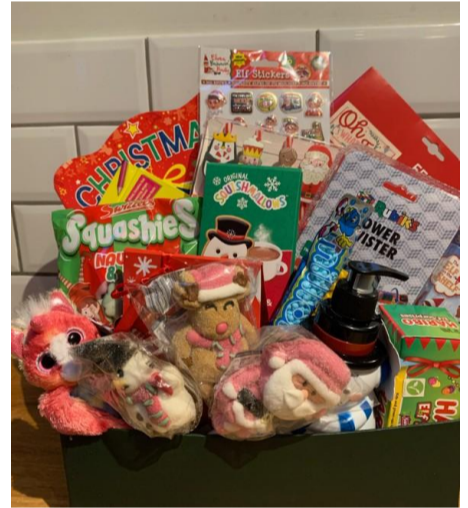


### Who do I contact if I have a concern or query?

To ensure we resolve any issues or concerns you have in the most efficient way, it's really important that you know who to contact and when.



**Christmas Raffle**  
50p a ticket or £2 a strip  
To be drawn on the last day of term - For sale in the school office



## WORSHIP



This term, in worship, we are focusing on the Christian value of **Nurture**.  
Our chosen worship songs this week were: [Kumbaya](#) and [When I needed a neighbour](#)  
This week in worship we learnt about [Hanukkah](#)



**The theme of Light in world religions:** Hanukkah is the Jewish Festival of Lights. The word 'Hanukkah' means 'Dedication' in Hebrew. It celebrates a miracle that happened in Jerusalem over 2,000 years ago.

When is Hanukkah? Hanukkah (or Chanukah in Hebrew) is celebrated in November or December every year. It lasts for eight days.

In 2024 Hanukkah begins on the evening of Wednesday 25 December.

**Happy birthday to Bertie, Elsie, Tommy, Ava, Harvey**  
Who celebrate their birthdays this week - We wish you a very happy birthday!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.

- Events at a glance:**  
**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December:** KS1 Christmas Play 2pm in the School hall  
**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December:-** Christmas Lunch day  
**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December:** EYFS Nativity 9:30am in Church  
**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December:** KS2 Christmas Play 2pm & 5:30pm in the Village Hall  
**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December:** Last Day of term.  
**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December –** Christmas holidays  
**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January –** Children return to school

### Meet our House Captains!



## NEWS



[Click here](#) to view what our students have been up to recently.

