



Friday 02nd December 2022
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St Osyth Church of England Primary School News

'Love one another as I have loved you.'

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're all, very much, looking forward to our **Christmas Fayre**, this afternoon. We are **thankful and appreciate all the time and hard work that the PTFA** spend putting on this good family event.

Advent has started and is Christmas getting ever closer...below is a summary of our coming Christmas events:

Tuesday 13th December

KS 2 Christmas Carol Service at our parish church. Children to arrive at 18:00. Family will be able to enter the church from about 18:15 and the service will begin at 18:30. It is expected to last about an hour.

Wednesday 14th December

KS 1 Christmas nativity service at our parish church. We aim to start at about 13:30. Family will be able to enter from about 13:15. The service is expected to last about 45 minutes.

Thursday 15th December

Year R to 5 trip to see the local **pantomime**.

Friday 16th December

School **Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day**—wearing a Christmas jumper is the only change to school uniform; trousers, skirts, shoes etc remain as usual.

Christingle making and service. This is only for children because of space and safety in the school hall.

Tuesday 20th September—Last Day of Term

Following ideas from children, through our School Council, we started a class reward system for attendance. In a letter to parents and carers, this week, I shared information about this and about attendance, more generally. Classes only need to have attendance of at least 95%, five times, to get a whole class reward. This week, no class has made a step towards having the School Council's good class attendance reward... This means no class had attendance of 95% or more—and yet, for primary schools, the national average is in excess of 96%! The single common factor, for children not make as much progress as they should, is poor attendance at school. Please ensure that your children have the very best possible attendance. Thank you.

Best Regards,

Mr M Carter-Tufnell (Headteacher)

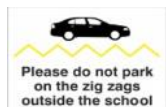
School dinners - bookings can now be made until the end of term

Dinner bookings need to be made online, please select your meal choices and add the items to the basket before proceeding to the checkout. If your child is eligible for free school meals or universal infant free school meals you also need to complete the checkout process but you will not be charged.

If you think you may be eligible for free school meals please contact the school office for a form.



Everyone is reminded not to park on the zig zag lines outside school and also to be considerate to all our neighbours and not to block their driveways.



All children must have a full **named** PE kit in school every day.

PE Kit: Black shorts, White t-shirt, Plimsols,

Additional items allowed for outside: Plain tracksuit bottoms, top and trainers/outdoor footwear (Essential for winter months)

Children can wear a Fitbit (or similar) to school, but it is their responsibility to keep it safe during the day.

All Watches, Fitbits and earrings need to be removed for P.E. lessons



School Uniform

Our full uniform policy can be accessed on our website:

<https://st-osyth.essex.sch.uk/key-information/uniform/>

Alternatively, hard copies can be requested from our school office.

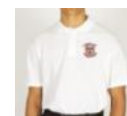
New Prices from 1st April 2022



Lost Property

Please ensure that all uniform is named, in order for it to be returned to your children.

This also applies to coats and lunch boxes.



Breakfast Club is open from 7.45am for **all ages**, costing **£4.00 per session**.

Please accompany your children into the school office, the children have breakfast and a chance to play.

If you unexpectedly need to use Breakfast Club your child can be booked in on arrival, but payment must be made before the end of the day.

These sessions must be booked and paid for on school money in advance.



Reception admissions for academic year starting in September 2023

From 7 November 2022, applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2023**.

If your child is unable to attend an afterschool club please let the office staff know in advance.

Otherwise you will get a phone call to find out where they are.

This is for the safety of our children, particularly those who have permission to walk out at the end of the school day.



Clubs w/b 05th December 2022

All clubs are for registered children only

Clubs finish at 4pm, unless otherwise stated

See below for collection details

	Club	Years	From	To	Lead by
Monday	Multi sports	1&2	26.09.2022	12.12.22	Mr Carvalho
Tuesday	Storybox CANCELLED	EYFS/1			Miss Esparon
Tuesday	Dance	5&6	08.11.2022	13.12.2022	Miss Gildersleeves
Tuesday	School council	Invite only	08.11.2022	13.12.2022	Mrs Ryan
Wednesday	Racket Sports	3&4	21.09.2022	14.12.2022	External Coach
Thursday	Girls football	4 5 & 6	22.09.2022	15.12.2022	Mrs Antoniou
Thursday	Boys football	5&6	22.09.2022	15.12.2022	Mr Carvalho
Friday	Weaving & Sewing	3&4	04.11.2022	16.12.2022	Mrs Walton-Steed
Friday	Basketball	5&6	23.09.2022	16.12.2022	External Coach

Dates for your Diary

- December 5th - Year 5 and 6 - WW2 Day
- December 13th - Years 3 to 6 - Carol service at our parish church
- December 14th - Years 1 and 2 - Nativity at our parish church
- December 14th - Year 6 - Lion king trip
- December 15th - Rec to year 5 - Panto trip
- December 16th - Christmas dinner don't forget to wear your Christmas jumper
- December 20th - Last day of term
- January 4th 2023 - School inset day
- January 5th 2023 - First day of term