



Headteachers' Newsletter

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School Values

- Respect
- Kindness
- Determination
- Team Work
- Faith
- Curiosity
- Achievement

Next half-term we are focusing on:

Team Work

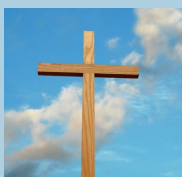
Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good work.

Hebrews 10:24

Faith

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

Matthew 22:37



Dear Families,

The Autumn Term is almost at an end and our final morning will be spent at St Michael's the Archangel Church to participate in our annual Christingle Service. This is a much-loved service and an opportunity for our school community to focus on the birth of Jesus. Parents are welcome to join us at the church.



We aim to start each service by the times stated below:

All Saints Christingle Service: 9.30 am

Woodhurst Christingle Service: 11.00 am

You have received a flyer from Warfield Church listing the Christmas services at the All Saints and Woodhurst school sites. We are particularly privileged to have Bishop Andrew return to our Woodhurst school site, to join Encounter Church's Christmas Eve service. All are welcome to join us.

At a time when so many in our world are suffering hardship it is good to be able to share some good news about kindness and sharing. We have a brief update about our support for Operation Christmas Child and The Bethany Orphanage from Mel Shirville, church member & school governor:

Operation Christmas Child

Thank you so much Warfield C/E School for your contributions to this year's Shoe-box Appeal. Your school collected 119 boxes from your two sites. Another 70 boxes were brought to All Saints Church

which meets at the All Saints Site and another 189 from the other Warfield Churches making a grand total of 360 boxes from Warfield. This is truly amazing. Our boxes will be going out to Liberia and Bulgaria and one of the OCC Team who is a member of the All Saints Church will be going out next week to help distribute them. Our school will be supporting this charity again next year so you may want to start collecting items now!! The sales held throughout the year are a good source of gifts.

The Bethany Orphanage—Uganda

Thank you Warfield School for supporting the Bethany Orphanage at your Christmas Fair. A big thank you to everyone who



snapped up our bargains and helped us raise nearly £350 toward our target of £720. This money goes towards the secondary schooling fees of the older children. It is so fitting that your school is helping less fortunate children to have an education, which means they will have a future.

Special Kindness

We have been very impressed with James Bishop in Year 5, because of the kindness he has recently shown towards others. James' mum Lynda sent this message into the school office:



**SPRING TERM
2018**

**Pupils Return to
school on:**

**Thurs 4th January
2018**

Dear School Office,

I wanted to thank school for supporting James in his fund raising efforts for the fire struck family he knows from his kick boxing classes.

I was amazed by the support and generosity of all the teaching and support staff in school who sponsored him on his burpee marathon together with the support of school council in helping organise the penalty shoot-out last week.

We have collected in all the money now from school, Allstars, family and friends and I wanted to let you know you helped James to reach a fabulous grand total of £643 !

I think you'll agree that is a massive achievement for a 9 year old and will go a long way to helping the family affected have a good Christmas.

Many thanks again

Lynda and James

Christmas Wishes

We would like to wish all our pupils and their families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Hopefully you will have an opportunity to spend some quality family time with your loved ones!

Kind regards

Paula Jenkins & Anna Kennedy



Christmas Thank You

Over the last few weeks there have been many Christmas celebrations, which would not have

happened without the hard work of many people. Thank you to the EYFS & KS1 staff for some magnificent Christmas productions—they were enjoyed by all! Christmas lunch was enjoyed by the whole school thanks to our ISS catering staff—thank you ladies!

We must not forget the hard-work of the PTA over the last few months who have put on a Christmas shopping evening, a Christmas Fayre and made three hundred and fifty plus Christingles! Dear PTA thank you for raising money for the school and for enabling the school community to come together and enjoy these events.

A Christmas Prayer by Robert Louis Stevenson

Loving Father,

Help us remember the birth of Jesus,
that we may share in the song of the angels,
the gladness of the shepherds,
and worship of the wise men.

Close the door of hate
and open the door of love all over the world.
Let kindness come with every gift
and good desires with every greeting.
Deliver us from evil by the blessing
which Christ brings,
and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.

May the Christmas morning
make us happy to be thy children,
and Christmas evening bring us to our beds
with grateful thoughts,
forgiving and forgiven,
for Jesus' sake.

Amen