# Friday News 08.11.2024

Welcome back to what will be a very busy half term. The children have settled back into routines very quickly this week and are progressing well with their learning. This is the half term that can really make a difference with the progress that the children make through the year in all areas of their learning.

#### Children in Need

I have met with the school council this week who have decided to hold a cake sale to raise money for Children in Need next Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

The cake sale will be at breaktime in the school hall. The cakes will be priced 50p each and the children can bring in up to £2. Any leftover cakes will be sold at the end of the day.

Please can we have donations of cakes to sell. These can be brought in on Friday morning. These can be shop bought or home-made.

## No nuts please!

The Children in Need website has some great recipes, including some no bake items! They can be found here:

<u>Https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/schools/primary-school/bake-sales-and-challenges/</u>

As it is also school photo day, there will **not** be a non-uniform day. However, Pudsey ears can be worn as they can be removed for school photos!

### School photos

A reminder that individual and sibling photos are on Friday. These will be happening throughout the morning.

### Staff car park

Just a reminder that the staff car park is for staff cars only unless otherwise arranged with the school. We have had a few cars parking in the car park when dropping off. The car park is too small for this and we do have families who need to use the disabled space and haven't been able to do so because of the inconsiderate actions of a few.

#### Attendance

We achieved **94%** attendance this week which is an increase on the week before half term.

Years 5 are our attendance champions this week with **98.3%**, well done Year 5! They were followed closely by Year R with 97.7% and Year 3 with 96.8%.

Reminder that in line with our attendance policy, if your child has an absence period of more than 3 days, we will be requesting medical evidence for the absence. #MomentsMatterAttendanceCounts

#### **Phonics meeting**

Mrs Hutchings welcomed a very small group of parents for our phonic information meeting.

Details of the meeting have been emailed to all parents of children in Antarctica and Africa classes.

## **Autumn Term Key Dates**

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November - Open morning 9:30 - 11:30 for parents and children who are due to start school in September 2025

Friday 15th November - Individual school photos

Friday 15th November - Children in Need Cake sale

Friday 29th November - Christmas Fair after school

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November - 11am Choir singing at Great Waldingfield Village Hall Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Christingle in school

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December - 6pm Choir singing on Green Acre (opposite the shop)

Tuesday 10th December - Antarctica nativity to parents - pm

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Antarctica nativity to parents - pm

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December - 3pm Choir singing with the Sudbury Choral Society at St Peter's Church Sudbury

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - KS2 Christmas concert for parents at the church pm Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December - KS1 Christmas concert for parents at the church pm

Have a happy weekend everyone.

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"Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them"

**MATTHEW 19:14**