



Dear Parents,

The Key Stage Two children blew us away during their Christmas Services, with beautiful singing and speaking performances. Next week, we are looking forward to seeing KS1 and EYFS in their performances!

There will be a collection after each performance for the 'Golden Geese Charity' and your support would be very appreciated.

Please keep check on our 'Diary Dates' to ensure you do not miss anything happening in school, We have a busy few weeks ahead of us!

Next week sees Elfridges - the FoRPS Christmas shopping event. Please don't forget a named bag and purse/wallet/envelope on Tuesday and Wednesday if you wish them to take part. A polite reminder to be respectful of our neighbours when dropping off and picking up your children by not blocking driveways or pavements. We are still receiving reports that this is problematic.

Palmer's were really impressed with the standard of the poetry entries this year from Rayleigh Primary. The winners are pictured below!

Have a lovely weekend.

Spotlight on.... Winners of the Palmer's Poetry Competition.



Communication

We have an open door policy; feel free to chat with your class teachers straight after school or email the school office to arrange.

Dojo is a great way to chat with your class teacher to pass on messages and positive news. Just a note, teacher's will not reply to Dojo communications out of working hours- if something is urgent please contact the school office.

Attendance

As you will be aware, the Government has updated their statutory guidance for school attendance.

[Working together to improve school attendance \(applies from 19 August 2024\) \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](#)

This week's class winners are:

1st Place - Amethyst - 99.1%

2nd Place - Onyx - 99%

3rd Place - Diamond - 98.5%

Well done! Keep it up!

Updates

- FoRPS Elfridges shopping event 10th & 11th December. Please ensure you send your child in with carrier bags and change. The office will be unable to provide this for you. Please see the link [Elfridges](#)
- Wednesday 18th December Christmas Jumper day.
- Thursday 12th December EYFS/KS1 Christmas Lunch. Please find the menu [here](#).
- Friday 13th December - KS2 Christmas lunch. Please find the menu [here](#).
- Duffy Duck Aquatics has added new lessons! Please find the link [here](#)
- Mental Health and wellbeing APP information can be found [here](#)
- Holy Trinity church has sent us their Nativity and Christmas eve posters you can find them [here](#).
- Finally, Tilly has been raising money for the Indee Rose Trust by wearing a different Christmas hat for each day of December, Please support us to help reach her target! [Just giving](#)

Diary Dates

Upcoming dates:

More diary dates for Autumn Term will come out on next week's newsletter. Don't forget to use our website to look ahead.

- EYFS Christmas performance, Tuesday 10th December 9.30am.
- KS1 Christmas performance, Tuesday 10th 2.15pm.
- EYFS Christmas performance, Wednesday 11th December 2.15pm.
- KS1 Christmas performance, Wednesday 11th December 9.30am.
- FoRPS Elfridges shopping event 10th & 11th December.
- Wednesday 18th December Christmas Jumper day (we know the national day is the week before, but we wanted to spread the fun!)
- Thursday 12th December EYFS/KS1 Christmas Lunch
- Friday 13th December - KS2 Christmas lunch.

