



# Waverley Abbey School

*All things are possible for one who believes. Mark 9:23*



## HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

**Next week's worship theme – Joy**  
*A joyful heart is good medicine.*  
*Proverbs 17:22*

There has been a wealth of activity within and beyond school over the past fortnight. Thank you to all who attended the Waverley Abbey fireworks night and for our amazing, dedicated FOWA team who ensured it was such a success. We have also raised over £1000 for the school too which is utterly brilliant! I am pleased to share that the Christmas Fair is already shaping up nicely. Thank you for all those who are supporting by bringing in chocolate for the tombola - you make such a difference! Today and next Friday are non-uniform days to provide gifts for 'him and her'. The children report time and time again that they love the opportunity to buy something for their grown-ups in secret and to see them doing their Christmas shopping with their friends is a wonderful sight.

**Dates for Christmas:** There are a number of activities and events in December so please make a note of the following dates.

**1<sup>st</sup> week in December** – Christmas cracker homework (for the Christmas fair)

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December** - Year 3 to Guildford pantomime, Year 4 to Wintershall travelling crib. Please complete your parent forms for this if you have not already done so, we are still awaiting about 30 in each year group.

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas Fair. Children attend during the school day, the fair is also after school until 4.30pm

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch.

## School Newsletter 7

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**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas service at All Saints' Church, please see diary dates for timings.

**Parents are welcome to attend these services too!**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December** last day. Pick ups are as follows Y6 1.10pm, Y5 1.15pm, Y4 1.20pm and Y3 1.30pm.

**Christmas Post Boxes:** The school Christmas post boxes will be out on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. If your child would like to send cards, the post boxes will be in the shared year group space. Please ensure that your child writes both the recipients surname and class otherwise we have trouble directing them to the right person!

**Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day:** On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December the children may wear a Christmas jumper to school in return for a £1.00 donation to Save the Children. Where possible, we encourage families to reuse and recycle Christmas jumpers. We would also love to see plain jumpers that have been decorated at home too!

If your child would like to take part in our **Christmas Jumper Competition**, they should bring their home decorated jumper to the school hall first thing in the morning of the 16<sup>th</sup>, fully labelled with name & class. They will be judged and returned to their owners, with prizes issued for the most creative and 'child completed' entries.

**Mrs Rebecca Marshall**

### Medication in School

If you think your child **may** need Calpol or other medication during the school day, this must be provided by parents, together with a completed 'Pupil Medication Request' form and details of any medicine already administered that day.

**Calpol kept in school is for emergency use only, ie. if a child unexpectedly becomes unwell during the day. School should not be relied on to provide this.**

We thank you for your co-operation.

### Payment for Trips etc.

Whilst payment for school trips and workshops is voluntary, we cannot continue to run these without your financial support. We would therefore like to remind parents & carers to check their SCOPay accounts to make sure there are no outstanding balances. Any contribution is appreciated if you feel unable to pay the full amount.

Thank you.

### School Meals and SCOPay

A reminder to please make sure school meals are booked at least 7 days in advance. Please check your SCOPay account to make sure you have booked meals each week if required.

If a meal has not been ordered, or your child does not have a packed lunch with them, we cannot guarantee the catering team will be able to supply a meal.

Thank you.

### Congratulations!

Ollie in Year 4 entered a poem he had written into a competition. His poem has been selected to be published in a Young Writers book!

Congratulations Ollie and well done! We look forward to reading more of your work in the future!



### Farnham Brass Band

In assembly on Thursday, Mark from Farnham Brass Band carried out a demonstration of different brass instruments to the children.

If any children would like to learn a brass instrument the training band run weekly rehearsals every Monday from 6:30pm to 7:15pm at the Tilford Institute. Any child interested in having a try can come along.

It's all free for 3 months then an annual subscription of £80 (£40 for under 18 or in full time education) payable pro rata year start. The band has full insurance for each instrument and is a registered charity.

If anyone is interested in hearing the band play their public engagements are:-

4pm on Sunday 1st December - Bandstand at Gostrey Meadows or St Andrew's (weather dependent)

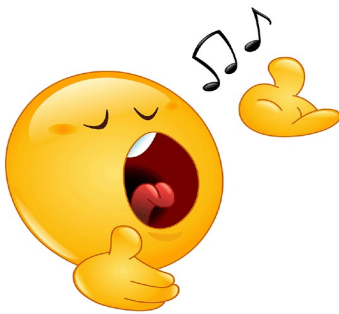
7pm on Monday 16th December - Rowledge Carols, The Square, Rowledge

11am-3pm - Lion & Lamb Yard, Farnham

### Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who attended/sang last Sunday at All Saints' Church.

You were all fabulous!



### **Diary dates for Autumn Term 2024**

Friday 22nd	FOWA - Non Uniform Day Year 4 - Showcase - 2:30pm
Friday 29th	FOWA - Non Uniform Day
<b>December 2024</b>	
Tuesday 3rd	Rocksteady Music Concert
Wednesday 4th	Year 3 - Pantomime Trip Year 4 - Wintershall Travelling Crib Trip
Thursday 5th	Swimming Trials - Invitation Only
Friday 9th	Last Day of Teacher Led Clubs
Tuesday 10th	Year 3 Production - Evening Performance Year 6 - Showcase - 2:30pm
Wednesday 11th	Year 5 Production - Matinee Performance
Thursday 12th	Year 3 Production - Matinee Performance Year 5 Production - Evening Performance
Friday 13th	FOWA Christmas Fair
Monday 16th	Christmas Jumper and Lunch Day
Tuesday 17th	Year 3 - Christmas Church Service - 10am Year 6 - Christmas Church Service - 2pm
Wednesday 18th	Year 4 - Christmas Church Service - 10am Year 5 - Christmas Church Service - 2pm
Friday 20th	Last Day Of Term - Early Finish
<b>Diary dates for Spring Term 2025</b>	
Monday 6th	Return To School