



Orsett
C of E Primary School



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Friday 8th December 2023

Christmas has well and truly begun at Orsett since I last wrote to you all. Its always a lovely time of the year in school but also a very busy one!

This week we were treated to the nativity by Reception and KS1 and what an amazing job they did! They sang so beautifully and Year 2 were excellent actors on stage. Thank you to everyone who came and supported and made donations – we were blown away by your generosity. It was a fabulous reminder of the true meaning of Christmas by our youngest children and they certainly all flourished and shone on stage.



Next week it is the turn of KS2 who will be singing our carols by candlelight. Please do come along and join us. No tickets necessary! The event starts at 5pm.

The choir also delighted us all at Lakeside this week with their Carol singing. 44 children from across KS2 signed up this year to raise money for St Lukes hospice. The hospice commented on how brilliant they were and how we had raised the most all week so far! Next week they will also be singing at Thurrock Garden centre.



Have a lovely weekend – stay safe!
Mrs Smith – Head Teacher

*God's Word is a lamp to guide our feet
and a light for our path.
Inspired by Psalm 119:105*

Christmas Dinner – Menu Change

A reminder that our Christmas dinner day is Friday 15th December. We will also have our Christmas Jumper day on this day. Children can wear a Christmas jumper for a donation of £1.

As there will be a change to the menu next week with Christmas dinner being on Friday we have decided to move Friday's dinner choice to Wednesday so next week dinner menu will be slightly different please see the change below:

Wednesday 13th December

Red: Omega 3 Fish Fingers

Blue: Fishless Fingers

Green: Macaroni Cheese

Friday 15th December

Christmas dinner day

May we also remind parents to ensure school dinner payments are cleared by the end of term. School dinners must be for in advance, we cannot have arrears for school dinners. We appreciate your understanding.

Letters Home

- Carols by candlelight (KS2 Only)
- Year 3 Colchester Zoo trip
- Year 4 trip overview letter
- Year 6 Theatre Trip letter

Winning house!

We have started counting our thumbs up again in worship to see which house has the most. This week's winning house was...

Gabriel - Red – well done!
A great 492 thumbs up – well done



Afterschool Clubs

A reminder that afterschool clubs have now finished for the term. Mr Cappers club will still run on Thursday 14th. This will be his last session for the term.

New clubs will start next term, sign up letters will be sent out when the children return after the Christmas break.

Parent Governors

The trust is looking for parent governors across 3 of our schools. If you think this is something that you would be interested in please email the school office and Mrs Belton will pass your details onto our Chair of the school Governance Board.

PARENT GOVERNORS VANCANCY

If you think this is something that interests you please email the school office



This week's attendance!

Reception – 95.86%
Year 1 – 95.67%
Year 2 – 98%
Year 3 – 95.67%
Year 4 – 98.33%
Year 5 – 94.33%
Year 6 – 94.23%

Good attendance is any class that got over 96% attendance.

The weekly class average for this week is **96.01%**

Congratulations go to our highest attending classes!

Well done to the classes which earned a Lego piece this week. One step closer to the park:
Reception. Year 2 & Year 4!

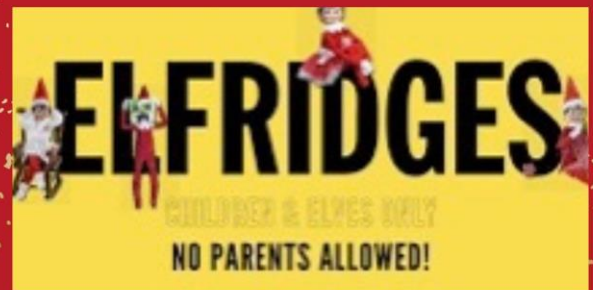


PTA Events

Over the next few weeks the PTA will be hosting 2 events. Their first event will be a Christmas movie night which will be on 14th December. Payment can be made on school money. Tickets costs £5 per child. Every child will receive a gift, snack and unlimited juice / water.

Their second event will be “Elfridges” this will be held in school on the 18th December during the carousel day. Children will have the chance to visit Elfridges to purchase gifts priced between £2 & £4

Please see both flyers below



18TH DECEMBER

THE PTA WILL BE HOLDING A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EXPERIENCE FOR THE CHILDREN DURING THE CAROUSEL DAY.

THIS WILL BE HELD DURING SCHOOL HOURS. CHILDREN WILL HAVE THE CHANCE TO VISIT ELFRIDGES AND PURCHASE GIFTS PRICED BETWEEN £2 AND £4. WE WILL LIMIT GIFTS TO TWO PER CHILD.

ANY ITEMS LEFT OVER WILL BE SOLD IN THE PLAYGROUND AFTER SCHOOL.