

# Parish Post

The Weekly Newsletter, Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018

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## CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS:

### Christmas Production Tickets

The Christmas productions tickets have gone home with your child. Please look out for these and then keep them in a safe place because you need to bring them with you when you come to the performances. We hope that you are pleased with your allocation.

We do have spare tickets for the following performances:

- Both Reception performances (Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December)
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December Years 1 and 2
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December Years 3 and 4.

If you would like extra tickets please come to the office. First-come-first-served.

It is our tradition to have a collection after each performance with the money going to charities chosen by the School Council children. We will tell you at the productions which charities have been chosen.

### Christmas Cards

It is our tradition at Reigate Parish for children only to make one Christmas card for their class and not to give everyone a card. This will help save the trees and so we should be grateful if you could help us with this. Thank you.

### Christmas Productions DVD

Once again, Marc Ashdown (an ex parent) is filming the Christmas performances. We ask parents not to film the productions and please look out for the order forms to purchase an official film which will be emailed to you. We sensitively ask that you do not share the film on social media.

### Christmas Lunch

If your child normally has a packed lunch, we invite them to have a Christmas lunch at school on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December. The menu on this day is roast turkey, roast potatoes, vegetables followed by festive biscuit. In addition, they all receive a cracker and festive music is played. Please let us know by email to [office@reigate-parish.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:office@reigate-parish.surrey.sch.uk) if you would like your child to have this special lunch. As you know, **for infant children this is free** and for junior children the cost will be £2.30 each.

### **Christmas Party**

On the last day of this term, Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December, the children will be having a Christmas party. The kitchen will be supplying party food and the children can come to school in party clothes on that day.

If your child usually brings a packed lunch and you would like them to have school Christmas party food on 19<sup>th</sup> December, please let us know by email if you would like your child to have this party lunch. Again it is **free for infant children** and costs £2.30 for junior children. Please remember that school finishes at 1.15 pm for Key Stage 1 and 1.30 pm for Key Stage 2 on the last day of term.

### **Church Service**

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December we will be holding our Christmas end-of-term services at St Mary's Church. The Key Stage 1 service is at 1.30 pm and the children will be walked back to school for collection at 3.05 pm. Key Stage 2 parents can collect Key Stage 1 children at 2 pm from the church to stay for the Key Stage 2 concert and will sit with their parents.

The Key Stage 2 service is at 2.30 pm. Children can be collected from the church. Those not collected, or going to Tea Club, will be walked back to school to be picked up from there. All other clubs will have finished by then.

All parents are warmly invited to celebrate Christmas with us for these services on that Tuesday afternoon. During the services the children will be singing and sharing with us parts of their nativity performances and carols. These are wonderful opportunities for us to come together as a school family.

Year 2 is leading the Key Stage 1 church service and Year 5 are leading the Key Stage 2 service.

### **BOOK BY BOOK**



#### **Christmas Fair Second Hand Book Stall**

We are now no longer collecting books due to the huge response that we've received. Thank you so much to everyone who has so generously donated books. Don't forget to come and pay us a visit at the Christmas Fair and grab a bargain!

#### **Harlequin Pantomime Trip**

If you haven't yet collected your tickets from the school office, please would you kindly collect them ASAP.

#### **Family Film Hire**

We are still collecting DVDs, especially Classic Christmas DVDs, so please leave these in the box in reception. Our next Family Film Hire will be taking place on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**.

### **Dates for your Diary**

**30<sup>th</sup> November – Toddler Stories 'Stick Man' – Last remaining Spaces available**

**1<sup>st</sup> December – Christmas Fair Second Hand Book Stall & Silent Auction**

**9<sup>th</sup> December - Harlequin Pantomime Trip**

**14<sup>th</sup> December – Family Film Hire**

If you would like to be involved in any capacity with the library fundraiser or want to contact the Book by Book team, please email us on:- [rpbookbybook@gmail.com](mailto:rpbookbybook@gmail.com)

### **Book Fair**

We will be having a Book Fair in the junior hall after school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>, Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Please look out for more information on this which is coming soon which will give you details about the significant commission the school will receive. This will then be spent on books for the children.

### **Football Tournaments**

Congratulations to both the Years 3 and 4 girls and boys football teams for performing exceptionally in their 5-a-side football tournaments that took place this month. Both teams played extremely well and displayed excellent sportsmanship. The boys team won five consecutive games before losing in penalty kicks in the semi-finals. They finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Our girls team came home proudly with gold



medals around their necks without losing a single game in their tournament. We couldn't be prouder, of both teams!

### **New football Kit**

A really big thank you to the company WIKA who is helping us sponsor our football programme. WIKA has kindly paid for 20 footballs, 6 mini goals and our lovely new football uniform. We are very grateful. Thank you!



### **Children Not to Use School Equipment**

Please can parents ensure that their children do NOT play with school equipment such as hula hoops that are in the playground when you come to collect your child at pick up. Thank you from the Midday Supervisors

### **Leprosy Mission - Stamps**

Christmas is coming – and that includes Christmas cards! Please remember to donate your used stamps for the Leprosy Mission. The collection box is in the foyer. The Leprosy Mission sell used stamps as part of their efforts to raise money for their important work. Last year we collected a huge amount of used stamps, and it was really great to be able to send them to the Leprosy Mission and know they were being used to help transform the life of people affected by leprosy.

The Leprosy Mission is an international Christian development organisation that diagnoses, treats and offers specialist care, including reconstructive surgery, to leprosy patients. Widely believed to be the world's oldest disease, leprosy is also one of the world's most stigmatised. World Health Organisation figures reveal there are more than 200,000 new cases of leprosy diagnosed globally each year. Globally, there are more than three million people living with irreversible disabilities, including blindness, as a result of the late treatment of leprosy.

Please contact Karen Best (Emma, Honeybees, 07817 929 155) for details.

### **YEAR 2 NEWS:**

#### **Sparkfish: A Christmas Journey**

Year 2 is looking forward to walking to Reigate Park URC (United Reform Church) on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December to take part in 'Sparkfish: A Christmas Journey'. The children will have two 30-minute sessions where they will be walked through the Christmas Story, and then complete a craft activity. We will need parents to help walk the children to and from the church, so if you are able to help with this, please speak to your class rep. Thank you.

### **YEAR 3 NEWS:**

#### **Ufton Court Soirée**

After the wonderful residential for Year 3 at Ufton Court this week, don't forget to come to the soirée on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 7 pm in the junior hall**. We look forward to seeing you all at this gathering.

### **PTA NEWS:**

Most information about the PTA can be found on the school website, so please so take a look: <http://reigate-parish.org.uk/pta/what-is-the-pta/>

**Thank you for all your jam jars, chocolates, bottles and hamper donations!**

#### **Christmas Grotto**

If you have booked a slot and not yet paid, please do so by end of day Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>. The grotto sold out so early this year that we had to turn some people away, so if you now can't make your slot please let us know.

#### **Christmas cards**

We are aware that some of the orders have not yet arrived at school. Cauliflower Cards have confirmed all orders were printed, and another delivery should be with us soon. Apologies for the delay to those who have not received.

#### **Christmas social – 14<sup>th</sup> December – PLEASE RETURN FORMS BY 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

Tickets are selling well for this event, and we are keen to make it a real success. Please return your forms and cheques by 30<sup>th</sup> November. If you need a new form, please get in touch.

## Christmas Productions

This year we are delighted to be offering electronic copies of the Christmas productions.

This means that you will be able to share the production with family easily. There are four productions this year: Reception, Years 1 & 2, Years 3 & 4 and Year 5. Prices will be £9.50 for one production, £13 for two or £18 for three. Please see attached order form.

## Co-treasurer role

An opportunity has arisen to join the PTA as a co-treasurer from January 2019. Please email [ptacochoairs@gmail.com](mailto:ptacochoairs@gmail.com) if you would like more information or are interested in the role.

It is a vital position within the PTA and we would love to have you on board.

## Save the date

**Christmas Fair** – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December from 12–3pm

**Christmas social** – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 7.30-11.30pm

## GENERAL NEWS:

### Run Reigate

Message from Run Reigate:

“Once again all the support from you and other local schools helped make the Run Reigate Kids Race a sell out for the third year running. We have been nominated for the Running Awards and we need to ask for a little help to get this great event recognised for the impact it has had for local children. To help us get shortlisted for the next round of voting please could you take less than minute to vote for us following this link below?

Please go to: <https://therunningawards.com/>

You'll find us under **Running Events > Fun Run > Canon Kids Race**

Hopefully we will be back in touch soon if we are lucky enough to be shortlisted! ;)

Thank you!!! And see you at Run Reigate Kids Race 2019 :)"



## Surrey County Council Online Consultation – Surrey Arts/Cultural Services

Surrey County Council has recently launched an online public consultation about Transforming Libraries and Cultural Services in Surrey. Surrey Arts is included in the consultation as one of the Council's Cultural Services so this is a very important opportunity for you to share your ideas and comments about Surrey Arts as well as other cultural services.

**In Section 2.1** – You can share your ideas. Please name Surrey Arts if you are specifically referring to the service.

**In Section 3.8** - Please give the venue where you or your children engage in activities provided by Surrey Arts Teachers e.g. music lessons, bands, ensembles, arts activities.

**In Section 4.3** – You can provide additional comments. Please make sure that you name Surrey Arts if you want to comment about the value of this particular service. You can find the online consultation at:

<https://www.surreysays.co.uk/legal-and-democratic-services/libraries/consultation/intro/>

The online form should not take long to complete, but your responses will be very valuable as the Council considers its future strategy for Libraries and Cultural Services. **Please note that the online consultation will close on 4th January 2019.**

Thank you very much in anticipation of your valued contribution.

### **Surrey County Council Public Consultation – Children’s Centres**

Surrey County Council has launched many public consultations including one on the future of Children’s Centres. Surrey are looking to close 37 of their 58 centres and in Redhill and Reigate it is Steppingstones at Earlswood Infant School and the one at Dovers Green that are affected. Attached is the link to the consultation and if you are able to complete it then the link is below

If the closures go ahead then the children’s centres are open until August 2019.

<https://www.surreysays.co.uk/csf/family-resilience-childrens-centres/consultation/subpage.2018-10-25.4188735121/>

### **Cycle Safety Competition**

First4Lawyers is running a nationwide competition which launched this week and is running until Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November for KS2 students to design a new Cycle Safety Helmet. They are aiming to help raise awareness about the importance of wearing a helmet when cycling, while having a little fun along the way. The competition is backed by Huddersfield University, Brake - The road safety charity & Lee White Design.

Competition winners (one boy and one girl from each year group) will receive their helmet design 3D printed by the 3M Buckley Innovation Centre, part of Huddersfield University. But that’s not all! Each winner will not only receive this amazing prize, but they will also receive a brand-new bike in time for Christmas, supplied by [First4Lawyers](#).

Entries can either be posted back to them at:

First4Lawyers – Cycle Safety Competition,  
Permanent House,  
Dundas Street,  
Huddersfield,  
West Yorkshire,  
HD1 2HE.

Alternatively, scanned images can be uploaded via their website online at

<https://cyclesafety.first4lawyers.com/submit-your-entry/>

Entries must be received by First4Lawyers no later than the 27th November - So make sure you post them in time.

### **Holly Run**

**Is your child going to be 8 years or older** by Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2018?

Exciting news... we'd love to see Reigate Parish represented in The Holly Run again and any child within this age bracket, is warmly invited to participate. It is competitive cross-country races in Priory Park, organised by Reigate Priory Athletics Club on **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December from 10am**. A chance to push themselves, perhaps try something new and undoubtedly get muddy! The children will also have the opportunity to walk the course on Saturday 1st December at 8.30am with Mrs Saunders. As The Holly Run is an external event, **parents are responsible for their children and a small fee of £5** will be expected by the club, however the school community will be there to cheer children on! Staff, children and parents are warmly invited to come and cheer our athletes on. Children in Year 4 & 5 (and any older children in year 3) were given the opportunity to bring home a detailed letter and form on Monday 29th October. Please return the signed form and cash payment to the white box at the office ASAP, but by 28th November and no later. Mrs Saunders will then be in touch via email to confirm details.

### **YMCA Santa Run**

The **YMCA Santa Run** is returning to Priory Park on Sunday 9 December 2018.

Santas of all ages and abilities are invited to join in the festive fun. £12.50 per person – includes a free Santa suit, snack, drink and medal. Please book early as this event sold out last year.

Please use the link below for further information and bookings

<https://www.ymcaeast Surrey.org.uk/santa-run/>



## Diary Dates 2018/2019 – new information in red

<b>AUTUMN TERM 2018</b>	
Monday 26th November	Ufton Court soirée – 7.00 pm
Tuesday 27th November	9.00 am Prayer group – all welcome
Wednesday 28th November	Closing date for Holly Run entries
Thursday 29th November	Christmas making day
Friday 30th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Toddlers Stories – Stick Man</li> <li>• <b>New Deadline for Fraser Portraits orders</b></li> </ul>
Saturday 1st December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8.30 am Holly Run practice in Priory Park</li> <li>• PTA Christmas Fair 12.00 noon – 3.00 pm</li> </ul>
<b>Monday 3rd December</b>	<b>Book Fair in junior hall after school – details to follow</b>
W/b 3rd December	Teacher-led clubs end this week
Tuesday 4th December	<b>Book Fair in junior hall after school – details to follow</b>
Wednesday 5th December	Whole school nasal flu vaccinations
<b>Thursday 6th December</b>	<b>Book Fair in junior hall after school – details to follow</b>
Sunday 9th December	Harlequin Pantomime trip
Monday 10th December	7.00 pm – 8.00 pm: Years 3 and 4 Christmas Concert – children to wear school uniform – <b>in junior hall</b>
Tuesday 11th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9.15 am – 10.00 am: Reception Christmas production</li> <li>• 10.30 am – 11.30 am: Years 1 and 2 Christmas production</li> <li>• 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm: Years 3 and 4 Christmas Concert</li> </ul>
Thursday 13th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9.15 am – 10.00 am: Reception Christmas production</li> <li>• 10.30 am–11.30 am: Years 1 and 2 Christmas production</li> </ul>
Friday 14th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PTA Family Film Hire</li> <li>• Children's Christmas meal</li> <li>• 7.30 pm – 11.30 pm PTA Christmas Social</li> </ul>
Sunday 16th December	Holly Run from 10.00 am
Monday 17th December	9.00 am Prayer group – all welcome
Tuesday 18th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1.30 – 2.00 pm: KS1 Christmas story led by Year 2 at St Mary's Church. Children walked back to school for collection at 3.05 pm. KS2 parents can collect KS1 children at 2pm from church to stay for KS2 concert and will sit with their parent.</li> <li>• 2.30 pm – 3.15 pm: KS2 Christmas story led by Year 5 at St Mary's Church. Children can be collected from the church. Those not collected, or going to Tea Club, will be walked back to school to be picked up from there.</li> </ul>
Wednesday 19th December	Term ends at 1.15 pm infants and 1.30 pm juniors

### **INSET Days 2018/2019 and school closed:**

- **Monday 11th March 2019**
- **Monday 3rd June 2019**
- **Friday 28th June 2019**

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