

# River Mead School Parent Newsletter

## 09/12/2022



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## A message from Mrs Austin

### Christmas Fayre

**A HUGE thank you** to all of the Friends of River Mead School who organised a fantastic Christmas Fayre last week; thank you also to Mrs Lewis for being the school link for all of the arrangements - the hall was buzzing with festive cheer, food, fun and gifts! If you missed the chance to buy your child's Christmas craft, then please speak to their class teacher to make a donation and collect it.

Make sure you take a peek at the photos on the school facebook page/twitter feed!

### Christmas Jumper day

A fantastic effort all round for festive jumpers, t-shirts etc yesterday - it was lovely to see some bright, sparkly and fun clothing - well done.



### Tis the season of..... colds, flu and bugs!

I can see there has been a significant increase in sickness absence in the last week, which I appreciate will be linked to the season. Please do remember though that unless 'properly poorly' your child/ren should be at school. If they suddenly 'bounce back' then do bring them in at any point in the day.

We have been vigilant and followed advice to minimise the risks of Scarlett Fever transmission in school/Nursery, it is important not to be victims of the media scaremongering. Transmission of such illnesses is currently more common, as children had a period of time/lockdowns where they were not in contact with lots of other people. Some cases of *Invasive Strep-A* (iGAS) you should be reassured that only a small number of cases become very serious, this is NOT quite the same as Scarlett fever and again can be treated effectively with anti-biotics . Further information below (which we have already sent out to you all) from the Health Protection Team/Public Health explains this in more detail.

Like all childhood illnesses being aware of the signs and symptoms and getting these treated is the MOST important thing we/you can do.

It is also helpful to tell us if you have confirmed case of any transmissible illness so we can support you and inform the Health Protection team/Public Health

### ***Signs and symptoms of scarlet fever***

Scarlet fever is a common childhood infection caused by *Streptococcus pyogenes*, or group A Streptococcus (GAS). It is not usually serious, but should be treated with antibiotics to reduce the risk of complications (such as pneumonia) and spread to others. The early symptoms of scarlet fever include sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. After 12 to 48 hours, the characteristic red, pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach, then rapidly spreading to other parts of the body, and giving the skin a sandpaper-like texture. The scarlet rash may be harder to spot on darker skin, although the 'sandpaper' feel should be present. Patients typically have flushed cheeks and be pale around the mouth. This may be accompanied by a bright red 'strawberry' tongue.

If you think you, or your child, might have scarlet fever:

- contact your GP or NHS 111 as soon as possible
- make sure that you or your child take(s) the full course of any antibiotics prescribed. Although you or your child will feel better soon after starting the course of antibiotics, you must complete the course to ensure that you do not carry the bacteria in your throat after you have recovered
- stay at home, away from nursery, school or work for at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment, to avoid spreading the infection

### **Invasive Group A Strep (iGAS)**

The same bacteria which cause scarlet fever can also cause a range of other types of infection such as skin infections (impetigo) and sore throat. In very rare cases, the bacteria can get into the bloodstream and cause an illness called *invasive group A strep (iGAS)*. Whilst still very uncommon, there has been an increase in iGAS cases this year, particularly in children under 10 years old. It is very rare for children with scarlet fever to develop iGAS infection. As a parent, you should trust your own judgement. Contact NHS 111 or your GP if:

- your child is getting worse
- your child is feeding or eating much less than normal your child has had a dry nappy for 12 hours or more or shows other signs of dehydration
- your baby is under 3 months and has a temperature of 38C, or is older than 3 months and has a temperature of 39C or higher
- your baby feels hotter than usual when you touch their back or chest, or feels sweaty

your child is very tired or irritable Call 999 or go to A&E if:

- your child is having difficulty breathing – you may notice grunting noises or their tummy sucking under their ribs
- there are pauses when your child breathes
- your child's skin, tongue or lips are blue
- your child is floppy and will not wake up or stay awake

You can help stop the spread of infection through frequent hand washing and by not sharing eating utensils, clothes, bedding and towels. All contaminated tissues should be disposed of immediately.

### ***Stop the spread***

During periods of high incidence of scarlet fever, there may also be an increase in outbreaks in schools, nurseries and other childcare settings. Children and adults with suspected scarlet fever should stay off nursery / school / work until **24 hours** after the start of appropriate antibiotic treatment. Good hygiene practice such as hand washing remains the most important step in preventing and controlling spread of infection.

## Attendance - In to Win!!



### **Added incentive time - Your child has to be in school to win!!**

If your child/ren have attendance that is above 90% for this academic year, you (the adult) will be entered in a draw for a **£50 Asda voucher!**

If your child has the national expectation of 95% or more you get an additional chance for a festive reward in the 95%+ raffle too (two chances to win a prize)!

Attendance will be calculated next week (week beginning 12th December) and the winners will be announced in the Newsletter.

Next opportunity to win will be at the end of Term 3 with the winners being announced week beginning 6th February.

### **At school, on-time!!**

#### ***Whole school data***

	<b>National</b>	<b>School</b>
Week 28.11-02.12	92.%	90.3% ↓
This week		87.3 % ↓ (down on last week AGAIN)

#### ***Class data this week***

*Every week on a Friday we calculate the attendance for each class each week. We celebrate this in our 9am Celebration Assembly and the class with the highest attendance has a reward at the end of the day such as pop-corn in class or extra playtime.*

Badgers 84.5% ↓

Frogs 87% ↓

Dormice 86.7% ↓

**Kestrels 94.3% ↓**

Otters R 84.2% ↓

Hérons 91.7% ↓

Buzzards 89.5% ↓

Thank you for your continued support and in particular for getting to school on-time. Please don't forget the gates open at 8.30am and free breakfast is available; the gates shut at 8.45am

**After 8.45 am you will need to go in through the school office and complete a late form - you MUST not drop you child in the carpark or at the school gates after this time as it is not supervised and is unsafe.**

Learning starts promptly, so please be on time!!



## Christmas Fuel Programme





**To apply for a place to a FUEL camp please follow the link below, applications close at noon on 11 December, places are limited so apply early to ensure you don't miss out!**

[Apply for Christmas FUEL camp](#)

For any questions please email [\*\*fuelprogramme@wiltshire.gov.uk\*\*](mailto:fuelprogramme@wiltshire.gov.uk)

The **FUEL** programme is a **free** holiday activity and food project that offers eligible participants the opportunity to take part in a range of fun activities during school holiday periods in 2022. On each day of the programme all participants will also be provided with a nutritious meal.

The Christmas FUEL camps will run in 10 locations across Wiltshire, Monday to Thursday (10am to 2pm) from 19 December to 22 December.

For further information on camp locations, food provision, activities on offer and the nutritional workshops please visit [\*\*https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisure/fuel-programme\*\*](https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisure/fuel-programme)

**We have listened to your feedback and we've made some changes to the Christmas FUEL camp including**

- Our online application form is on a new and improved format that is user friendly on both computer and mobile devices, time saving and allows you to attach relevant documents straight to your application form. You can also opt for our new application form to send you a confirmation email and copy of your submission and reference code for your records
- You'll no longer have to pick meals in advance as we are trialling a new 'feast model' approach, meaning a range of nutritional food will be available for participants to pick and choose from each day. We will also have the chefs and food experts available at lunchtime to guarantee participants are having a positive experience at lunchtime. All dietary requirements and allergies will still be catered for, along with standard meal choices (such as jacket potatoes) so nobody goes hungry
- Introducing a FUEL rewards scheme to support and encourage our young participants to make friends, learn new skills and build positive experiences that support their personal growth
- Expanding our science and engineering activities to provide new and exciting opportunities for participants

- Having a FUEL hotline number, that will be available once your space is confirmed, for you to liaise with should you need to, improving customer communication.

We look forward to seeing you at a FUEL camp soon!

Regards

FUEL team

## Reporting Sickness



**UK Health Security Agency** **NHS**

### Should I keep my child off school?

**Yes**

	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

**No**  
but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

**Advice and guidance**  
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfoc>.

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Just a reminder to always let the office know if your child is sick and cannot attend school. You can do this by calling 01225 703428 and choosing option 1 to report your child absence.

Although we appreciate children are unwell from time to time, children can still attend school when they have a cold or have not been sick if well enough to do so. We have enough tissues and TLC to go around, rest assured if we feel they are unable to take part in their class we will call you to collect them.

**If your child has been sick or had an upset tummy, they are unable to return until 48 hours after their last episode.**



## STAR of the Week



**Otters - Kevin Marino**

**Dormice - Lola Brookbanks**

**Frogs - Arabella Antoni-Turner**

**Hérons - Molly Welch**

**Kestrels - Lottie Welsh**

**Badgers - Ruby Smith**

**Buzzards - Jessica Taylor**

**Bumble Bees - Ashley Lloyd**

**Honey Bees - Noah O'Shea**

**Busy Bees - Evie McCallum**

## Hot Chocolate with The Senior Leadership Team



**Well Done to those children who have gone 'above and beyond' this week with their attitude and behaviour, this week the Leadership Team will be welcoming the children for their hot chocolate**

**These children are:**

**Otters - Teagan Norris**

**Dormice - Rowan Mustali**



**Frogs - George Cook**

**Hérons - Kohen Porter**

**Kestrels - Gracie Wheeler**

**Badger - Maddy Holland**

**Buzzards - Lillie Goddard**

## Kingfisher Reading Challenge



A big well done to those children who have completed the following reads:

### **Year 1**

25 reads - Lola Brookbanks, Florence Jarman

50 reads - Alice Edwards, Noah Hunt and Escher Remington

75 reads - Eddie Sharp

### **Year 2**

50 reads - Hessica Swann, Corin Remington

### **Year 3**

25 reads - Molly Welch, Grace Guy

75 reads - Kyla Gerrish, Kyle Saward

### **Year 4**

75 reads - Jasmine Kaur

## Christmas Performance

The text "Christmas Performances" is written in a festive, cursive font. The word "Christmas" is in red and "Performances" is in green. The entire phrase is underlined with a red line.

We are super excited to announce that we will be holding our Christmas Performances this year where families can attend!

Unfortunately, unless you have previous permission from parents we will not be allowing photo's or videos to be taken during any of the performances below!

To support our young stars with their performances we ask that children under 5 attend specific dates, please take a detailed look below:

12th of December, Years 1,2 and 3 will be practicing their dress rehearsals at 2:00pm for the rest of the school to watch, **that can be attended by parents with children under 5.**

13th of December, Reception and Nursery classes will be singing around the Christmas Tree at 2:30pm **with adults welcome to attend.**

14th of December, Years 1,2 and 3 will be performing at 2:00pm **with adults welcome to watch without under 5s.**

15th of December, - Years 4, 5 and 6 will be performing at 2:00pm for the rest of the school to watch, **with adults and children under 5 able to attend.**

For the evening performance, Years 4, 5 and 6 will be performing at 6:00pm **for adults without children under 5s.**

We hope to see you there!

## On-Line Safety Advice

**What Parents & Carers Need to Know about HiPAL**

**12+** (With reduced functionality for under-18s)

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

HiPAL is a trending social media app which turns phones into walkie-talkies, allowing people to have voice conversations with friends or strangers. There are two account options, one for users aged under 13 and one for those aged 13 or above. The former has fewer features and limits interaction with strangers, including use of the 'voice' - taking photos or photosharing with friends and family only. The 13+ accounts offer more options, including adding strangers as friends, taking photos and videos publicly, sending private messages and holding voice chats with strangers as well as friends.

**CONNECTING WITH STRANGERS**

While under-13 accounts don't allow users to connect with strangers, older users can connect with anyone. Although children meeting strangers in person is a risk, the app's design means that users can't see each other's profiles, so they can't find each other. However, the app's design also means that users can't see each other's profiles, so they can't find each other. However, the app's design also means that users can't see each other's profiles, so they can't find each other.

**SEXING AND SUGGESTIVE PICS**

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**NEED FOR VALIDATION**

Some users - particularly girls - may feel the need to validate their identity. This can lead to them sharing personal information, such as their name, age, and location, which could make them vulnerable to strangers. It's important to remind children that they should never share personal information with strangers.

**EMPHASISE CAUTION**

Remind your child of the dangers of meeting with strangers online. Encourage your child to think twice before sharing any personal information, such as their name, age, and location, which could make them vulnerable to strangers. It's important to remind children that they should never share personal information with strangers.

**AVOID OVER-SHARING**

Young people should think carefully about what they share in their posts, photos, and videos. Ask for your child's advice on what to share, and encourage them to think twice before sharing any personal information, such as their name, age, and location, which could make them vulnerable to strangers. It's important to remind children that they should never share personal information with strangers.

**TALK ABOUT SEXING**

It can be an awkward conversation, but it's important to talk to your child about sexing. Explain that sexing is when someone sends or shares suggestive pictures or videos. Remind your child that they should never share any personal information, such as their name, age, and location, which could make them vulnerable to strangers. It's important to remind children that they should never share personal information with strangers.

**BUILD RESILIENCE**

With so much online content, it's important to build resilience. Encourage your child to think twice before sharing any personal information, such as their name, age, and location, which could make them vulnerable to strangers. It's important to remind children that they should never share personal information with strangers.

**CONSIDER MENTAL WELLBEING**

Heavy use of social media can affect mental wellbeing. Encourage your child to take breaks from social media and to talk to you if they feel any negative emotions. Remind your child that they should never share any personal information, such as their name, age, and location, which could make them vulnerable to strangers. It's important to remind children that they should never share personal information with strangers.

**Meet Our Expert**

Dr. Sarah Jones, a leading expert in online safety, shares her advice on how to keep children safe online. She emphasizes the importance of parental supervision and encourages parents to have open conversations with their children about online safety. Remind your child that they should never share any personal information, such as their name, age, and location, which could make them vulnerable to strangers. It's important to remind children that they should never share personal information with strangers.

**National Online Safety**

#WakeUpWednesday

www.nationalonlinesafety.com @nationalonlinesafety

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*In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as contact with strangers, dangerous challenges and intrusive features.*

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## Term 3 Teacher Led Clubs



Teacher Led Clubs will be running from Monday 9th January. The following clubs are available:

### **Monday**

Science Club - Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Building Club - Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

### **Tuesday**

Choir Club - continuing to practice for Young Voices

Drama - Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Multisports - Years 4, 5, 6

### **Wednesday**

Multisports - Years 1, 2, 3

### **Friday**

Cooking Club - Years 1 & 2

Art Club - Years 4, 5, 6

**You will be able to book the clubs from 9am Monday 12th December. We will be monitoring the bookings to ensure they are booked equally and fairly and will make changes if needed.**

## Friends of River Mead



Each & EVERY one of you can make a very REAL difference for our children's school if you please read on.....

Please vote for Friends of Rivermead School to help us secure £500 from ASDA for new playground equipment! You only need to enter your email, but you must click the **Confirm your vote** button in the email sent after voting. If you have more than 1 email address - please use them, we need all the votes we can get!

<https://www.asda.com/green-tokens/store?store=4345>

You can vote **EVERY 7 DAYS** & the more of us that do so, the more chance we have.

And don't worry - we'll keep the reminders coming! **Please vote & share for your children & our school!!**

Green Tokens - Vote | Asda

<https://www.asda.com/green-tokens/store?store=4345>

## School Term & Holiday Dates

School holidays are important to all of us! To help you plan for some family time we have put together the School Term & Holiday Calendar for 2022 - 2023. You can find this by clicking on the link below.

<https://www.themeadtrust.org/news-and-dates/term-dates/>

Teacher Training Days for next academic year 2022/2023 are:

3rd January 2023

5th June 2023

## Family & Community Learning Service



the  
national  
**sleep**  
helpline

# Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle with your child's bedtime?

Will your child not sleep in their own bed?

**WE CAN HELP**

**03303 530 541**  
Sunday - Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm  
Wednesday 9am - 11am

**spurgeons**  
children's charity

**Jan to March 2023**  
Request your place: 0800 970 4669

**Five to Thrive**  
Join us for 5 fun filled practical sessions where we can share ideas to develop the positive connection between you and your child.

Westbury Community Project, Westbury  
Monday 9th January, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Salisbury Library, Salisbury  
Tuesday 10th January, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Devizes Children's Centre, Devizes  
Monday 9th January, 1.30pm - 2.30pm  
Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth  
Thursday 12th January, 1.30pm - 2.30pm  
Bulford Children's Centre, Bulford  
Friday 13th January, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Little Folly Children's Centre, Salisbury  
Monday 20th February, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Devizes Children's Centre, Devizes  
Monday 20th February, 1.30pm - 2.30pm  
Canberra Children's Centre, Devizes  
Thursday 23rd February, 1.00pm - 2.00pm  
Pewsey Library, Pewsey  
Thursday 23rd February, 2.00pm - 3.00pm  
Online via Microsoft teams (Antenatal)  
Friday 24th February, 12.30pm - 1.30pm

**Healthy Eating**  
Join us for 4 great sessions where you can learn about healthy eating! You will also receive the ingredients to cook a healthy family meal in your home!

Devizes Children's Centre, Devizes  
Thursday 19th January, 1.00pm - 2.30pm  
Amesbury venue, TBC  
Tuesday 21st February, 1.00pm - 2.30pm  
Canberra Children's Centre, Melksham  
Wednesday 22nd February, 10.00am - 11.30am

**Play, Talk and Grow Together**  
For forces and civilian families with children aged 0-5 years.

Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth  
Drop in  
Every Tuesday, 10.00am - 11.30am  
Every Friday, 10.00am - 11.30am

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**Bookstart**  
Four sessions held weekly where you and your child can explore stories and rhymes in fun and creative ways.

Devizes Children's Centre, Devizes  
Friday 6th January, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Studley Green Children's Centre, Trowbridge (Under 1s)  
Tuesday 10th January, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Little Folly Children's Centre, Salisbury  
Tuesday 10th January, 1.30pm - 2.30pm  
Bulford Children's Centre, Bulford  
Thursday 19th January, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth  
Monday 20th February, 1.30pm - 2.30pm  
Studley Green Children's Centre, Trowbridge  
Tuesday 21st February, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Canberra Children's Centre, Melksham  
Thursday 23rd February, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Bulford Children's Centre, Bulford  
Thursday 2nd March, 10.00am - 11.00am

**Early Words Together**  
Join us for 5 weeks to learn a range of ways to support your child's language development through fun and engaging activities.

Little Folly Children's Centre, Salisbury  
Monday 9th January, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Devizes Children's Centre, Devizes  
Thursday 3rd February, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Canberra Children's Centre, Melksham  
Thursday 12th January, 10.00am - 11.00am  
Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth  
Thursday 23rd February, 1.30pm - 2.30pm  
Bulford Children's Centre, Bulford  
Thursday 2nd March, 10.00am - 11.00am

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**Being a Parent**  
A 9 week course run by parents for parents of children aged 2-5 years. Parents learn practical communications for everyday life to bring up happy, confident and co-operative children.

Online via Microsoft Teams  
Tuesday 17th January, 7.00pm - 8.30pm

Windmill Hill, Tidworth  
Thursday 19th January, 10.00am - 12.00pm

Studley Green Children's Centre, Trowbridge  
Thursday 19th January, 9.30am - 11.30am

Venue TBC, Amesbury  
Wednesday 25th January, 10.00am - 12.00pm

**One Off Events**  
Check out our Facebook page  
Spurgeons Wiltshire Children's Centres  
[Click here](#)  
Or visit our website [Click here](#)  
[www.wiltshirechildrenscentres.org.uk](http://www.wiltshirechildrenscentres.org.uk)

**Baby Massage**  
For parents and their non-mobile babies. Join us for 4 weeks learning how to encourage bonding and communication through soothing touch.

Bulford Children's Centre, Bulford  
Wednesday 11th January, 10.00am - 11.30am

Canberra Children's Centre, Melksham  
Thursday 12th January, 1.00pm - 2.00pm

Pewsey Leisure Centre, Pewsey  
Monday 16th January, 10.00am - 11.00am

Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth  
Monday 16th January, 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Little Folly Children's Centre, Salisbury  
Monday 13th February, 1.00pm - 2.30pm

Westbury Community Project, Westbury  
Monday 20th February, 10.00am - 11.00am

Devises Children's Centre, Devises  
Thursday 23rd February, 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Amesbury venue TBC  
Wednesday 1st March, 10.00am - 11.30am

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**Scrapstore**  
We have partnered with Wiltshire Scrapstore to bring you a fun craft activity session near you!

Bradford-on-Avon Library  
Wednesday 11th January 11.15am - 12.15pm

Downton Library  
Thursday 19th January, 10.30am - 11.30am

Pewsey Library  
Tuesday 28th January, 10.30am - 11.30am

Amesbury Library  
Thursday 26th January, 10.30am - 11.30am

Westbury Library  
Thursday 2nd February, 10.30am - 11.30am

Wilton Library  
Thursday 9th February, 10.30am - 11.30am

Warminster Library  
Wednesday 8th March, 10.30am - 11.30am

Marlborough Library  
Thursday 16th March, 10.30am - 11.30am

Tisbury Library  
Wednesday 22nd March, 10.30am - 11.30am

Here Library  
Wednesday 29th March, 10.30am - 11.30am

**Play and Connect**  
Play and connect with us and other families during these weekly play sessions.

Westbury Community Project  
Mondays 1.00pm - 2.00pm  
Please book your space.

Bulford Children's Centre, Bulford  
Tuesdays 10.00am - 11.00am  
Just drop in!

Little Folly Children's Centre, Salisbury  
Fridays 10.00am - 11.00am  
Just drop in!

Studley Green Children's Centre, Trowbridge  
Fridays 10.00am - 11.00am  
Please book your place.

Canberra Children's Centre, Melksham  
Fridays 1.00pm - 2.00pm  
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## PE timetable

### PE Days

#### Please see changes for Herons & Badgers

On PE days children should come in wearing their PE kit to avoid changing at school.

Otters - we will let you know when they will start!

Dormice & Frogs - Tuesday

Herons & Kestrels - - Wednesday

Badgers & Buzzards - Thursday

Bumble Bees (Beehive) - Monday

Honey Bees / Busy Bees (Beehive)- Friday

## Dates to Remember



### **December**

12th December - Dorothy House Elf PE Lessons

12th December - Year 1, 2 & 3 Dress Rehearsal/ Christmas Performance (children u5 may attend with a parent)

13th December - Reception and Nursery singing around the Christmas Tree 2.30pm

14th December - Years 1, 2, & 3 Christmas Performance 2pm (no children u5)

15th December - Christmas Dinner Day

15th December - Years 4, 5 & 6 Dress Rehearsal/ Christmas Performance 2pm (children u5 may attend with a parent)

15th December - Year 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Performance 6pm (no children u5)

16th December - Last day of Term

### **January**

3rd January - Teacher Training Day - No children

4th January - Start of Term - All children in

25th January - Young Voices 2023

## What's on

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***School admissions window open for secondary and primary school places***

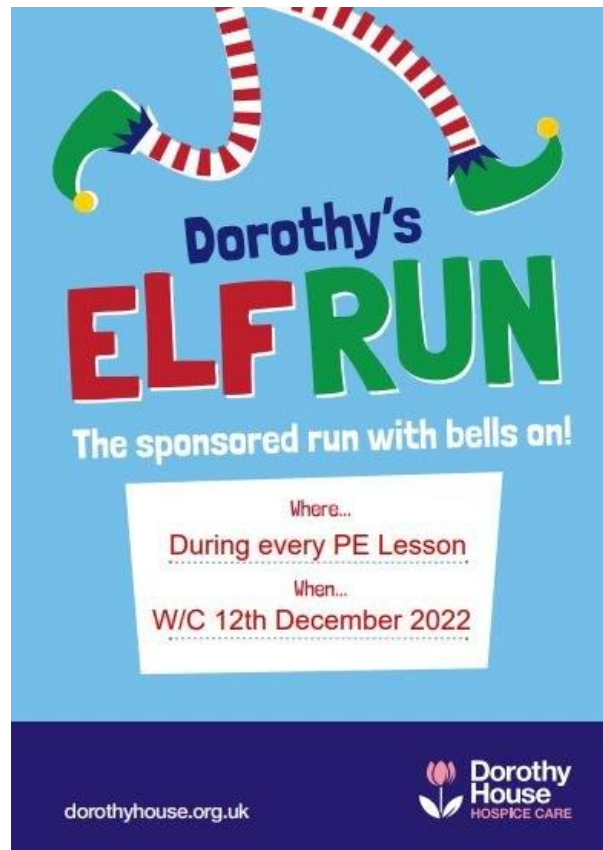
*Wiltshire residents can now apply for secondary and primary school places for September 2023 entry.*



Applications can be submitted online on our [website](#) until the national deadlines 15 January 2023 for primary schools and infant to junior.

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