

NEWSLETTER

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2022

As we say goodbye to 2022, may the New Year 2023 give you many reasons to celebrate and have wonderful days that are filled with laughter and joy. Welcome 2023.



My Font

Apparently, the font I have been using, comic sans, when read on a phone changes to a very fancy script that is difficult to read. I had no idea this was happening as I rarely write to myself. Thank you to all those who pointed this out and rest assured I will only use Arial from now on. *If I remember!*



Fetcham PTA

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all the parents/carers for supporting the PTA in 2022. We are well on the way to raising £25,000 for a new wooden playground. We already have £14,000 in the bank. In 2022, we were able to put on events that had been paused due to Covid and we initiated some exciting new ones too. Here is a roundup of what we have been up to:

- Sponsored Bounce
- Mother's day Market
- Easter Egg hunt
- May Fair
- Father's Day Market
- Head Teacher for the day

- Family Picnics
- Christmas fair
- Uniform Sales
- Wear your own Clothes Days

In 2022 we supported the children by funding:

- Year 1 Outside Classroom (by Foxes Class)
- Music workshops for all the children
- Class Christmas gifts
- Providing crackers for their Christmas lunches
- Bark chippings for the woods
- Snacks for Year 2 Disco
- £2000 for Pre-school to buy resources and toys
- A wooden boat and bridge for Pre-school
- Putting £10,000 in the bank towards the wooden playground

We have already started the year with some great events and we look forward to doing more in 2023. Thank you for your continued support.

Please follow us on Instagram and Facebook for updates and reminders about our events:

Facebook: [Fetcham PTA | Facebook](#)

Instagram: [@fetcham_pta](#)

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Christmas Play

The Christmas play was so gorgeous with beautiful storytelling, stunning singing, and accomplished narrating. Importantly the children had a lot of fun and there was a definite cute factor. It was truly wonderful to be able to share this with all of you. Well done to all the children. We were very proud of all of them. Thank you also to all of you who followed the instructions and only came to one performance. It meant that everyone who wanted a seat had one and the children were well supported across all four performance.



Christmas Dinner

The children enjoyed a scrumptious Christmas dinner served to them by all the staff who joined them in the hall. Christmas music playing highlighted this festive event enjoyed by all of the adults and children. Our thanks to Debbie and Val who prepared a truly delicious meal.

Christmas Party Day

In the morning, the children were surprised with a pantomime 'The Snow Queen' starring all of the staff at Fetcham. The characters in the panto included of course a Snow Queen, a fox, a hedgehog, a mouse, frozen villagers, Poppy the naughty fairy, a good witch and a narrator. The two crows had to be seen to be believed!

My thanks to all of the staff for being such amazing sports and giving the children such a wonderful time.

The afternoon was filled with Christmas class parties, a visit from Santa's chief Elf (Mr McGovern's other job) and topped off with Magic Marty.

Wow! What an afternoon! Marty's magic show and plate spinning kept the children engaged, laughing non-stop and gave them plenty of fun stories to tell their parents when they got home.



Safeguarding

The CEOP Child Exploitation and Online Protection helps keep children and young people safe from sexual abuse and grooming online. They help thousands of children and young people every year, as well as their parents and carers.

Their website has some fabulous and fun resources to help you educate your children and keep them safe on line. Just click on the link.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/4-7/>

Wellbeing

The Christmas period can be a very exciting time, full of festive cheer and fun.

However, for some, the period can bring some stress and anxiety. During the Christmas break, it is more important than ever to take care of ourselves and look after our mental health. To help our school community with this, we have attached two documents to support you and your families with some ideas on how to achieve this.



Sprinkle Christmas Joy



To say I am overwhelmed would be an understatement; I am truly touched by the generosity of our school community. Thank you so much to each one of you who has kindly donated to the 'Season of Giving' initiative. These gifts are being given to children within the wider community.

Kindest regards

Lisa Todd

I would like to add my thanks to Mrs Todd for organising this and to all of you who donated a gift. The true meaning of Christmas shines bright in our school community.

Staff News

Mrs Stafa is leaving for pastures new and we wish her well in her new role. We would like to welcome Miss Mihalop who will be joining our school in January as a Teaching Assistant. I am not going to be available on a Monday in the Spring term and Mrs Wright will be returning from maternity leave at the end of January and Mrs Faux will return after February half term.

Reminders



Please remember that jewellery must not be worn in school with the exception of pierced earrings, which must be removed at home on PE/Sports/Dance days.

If your child wears a hair band, please make sure it is small, plain and inconspicuous (no cats ears, bunny ears or any other characters please).

Toys

Children are not to bring toys and other personal items into school. Much learning time is lost and there is often upset as we sort out ownership issues, look for lost items and try to repair breakages.

Keeping everyone safe

Please do not to let your children ride cycles or scooters on the school site.

Nuts

Please remember that we are a “nut and sesame free” school, therefore please do **not** bring nut/sesame or containing nut/sesame products into school.



Dates:

January	
Tuesday 3 January 2023	In Service Closure Day
Wednesday 4 January 2023	Children return to school
w/c 9 January 2023	After school clubs commence <i>(Cooking club starts 16.1.2023)</i>
Tuesday 10 January 2023	Chertsey Museum visiting school – Year 1 – further details to follow
Monday 16 January 2023	Blue Monday (Fetcham PTA) - wear your own clothes – further details to follow
Thursday 26 January 2023	Feelings Workshop – further details to follow
Monday 30 January	National Story Telling Week
February	
Monday 6 February 2023	Mental Health week RHS Wisley – Year 1 – further details to follow
Tuesday 7 February 2023	Parents evening – 5.00 pm to 8.00 pm further details to follow
Thursday 9 February 2023	Parents evening – 3.20 pm to 6.00 pm - further details to follow

Friday 10 February 2023	In Service Closure Day
Monday 20 February 2023	Children return to school Sponsored bounce (Fetcham PTA) - further details to follow
Tuesday 28 February 2023	The Fantastic Fred Experience – further details to follow
March	
Thursday 2 March 2023	World Book Day
w/c 6 March 2023	Open School Week
Thursday 9 March 2023	The Science Observatory – Year 2 – further details to follow
w/c 13 March 2023	Science week
Friday 17 March 2023	Mothering Sunday Market (Fetcham PTA) – further details to follow
w/c 20 March 2023	After school clubs finish
Thursday 30 March 2023	Easter assembly
Friday 31 March 2023	End of term
April	
Monday 17 April 2023	In Service Closure Day
Tuesday 18 April 2023	Children return to school
Tuesday 25 April 2023	Rabbi visit to school – Year 1 – further details to follow
Wednesday 26 April 2023	Music Festival – Howard of Effingham School – Year 2 – further details to follow
May	
Monday 1 May 2023	Bank holiday – school closed
Friday 5 May 2023	Mufti for the May Fair (Fetcham PTA) - further details to follow
Monday 8 May 2023	Bank holiday – school closed
Saturday 13 May 2023	May Fair – 11 am to 3pm (Fetcham FTA) - further details to follow
Tuesday 16 May 2023	Godstone Farm – Reception – further details to follow
Friday 26 May 2023	Last day of term
June	
Monday 5 June 2023	Children return to school
Friday 16 June 2023	Fathering Sunday Market (Fetcham PTA) – further details to follow
Friday 23 June 2023	Sports Day – further details to follow
July	
Saturday 1 July 2023	Circus (Fetcham PTA) – further details to follow
Wednesday 5 July 2023	Miniature Railway trip – Reception – further details to follow
Wednesday 12 July 2023	Painshill Park – Year 2 – further details to follow
Friday 14 July 2023	Head teacher for a Day (Fetcham PTA) - further details to follow
Thursday 20 July 2023	Year 2 Leavers Party – further details to follow
Friday 21 July 2023	Leavers assembly End of term

We will endeavour to keep these dates but changes may occur and you will be given as much notice as possible.

Dates still to be added:

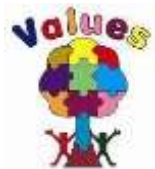
**Year 2 visit junior schools
Reports home
Move up afternoon
Summer term open school
New parent visits**

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Kind regards.

C Shuman

Mrs Christine Shuman
Head teacher



Our values based education empowers individuals to be the best that they can be.