



#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**30.11** Year 5 Class Assembly 10am  
**01.12** Christmas Craft Fayre, 12-3pm  
**07.12** Non-uniform day for £1  
**11.12** KS1 Christmas nativities, 2:15pm  
**12.12** KS1 Christmas nativities, 09:15  
**14.12** Christmas Crafts 3:30-5:30pm  
**18.12** KS2 Carol Concert, St John's 2pm  
**18.12** Stories Round the Tree, 6:45pm  
**19.12** Christmas Lunch and end of Term 2, 3:15pm dismissal  
**3.1** Term 3 starts  
**TERM DATES 2018-2019**  
Term 3 3.1.19 - 15.2.19  
Term 4 25.2.19 - 5.4.19  
Term 5 23.4.19 - 24.5.19  
Term 6 3.6.19 - 19.7.19

**Holidays should not be taken in**

### **News Flash!**

#### **Parent Support Group, 7 Dec**

If your child has special needs or behavioural challenges, come along to our open and friendly group which meets regularly at the home of Liz Moore, 2 The Brucks after drop-off at 09:00. This is a chance to share your experiences and worries - or just listen to like-minded parents in a non-judgemental forum. Any questions, email Liz at: [moorelizmoore@gmail.com](mailto:moorelizmoore@gmail.com)  
Or just show up, all welcome.

#### **School Uniform, Black Friday**

Order your school uniform on Friday 23rd and quote BCBLACK18, in the promotional box, and you will receive a 20% discount on your entire order. Log onto the school website and within links click on school uniform.

**Please remember to bring in** bottles for the Bottle Tombola (shampoo, ketchup, beer, wine, soft drinks etc.) Deliver them to the school office.

**Don't forget to collect used stamps.** There is a box in the reception area to raise funds for neo-natal care. Thank you.

**Dear parents, The sudden cold snap has prompted Kent County Council to circulate advice to schools on closure due to severe weather.** If the snow and ice are extreme and walking/driving are likely to be unsafe, please go to [www.kentclosures.co.uk](http://www.kentclosures.co.uk) and enter Wateringbury. The school status will be posted by 07:00. We will also post any closures on our website. Please do not ring school. Some of our staff can walk to school and if we deem we can open with sufficient staff to operate safely, we are expected to stay open. I haven't brought my cross-country skis down from my inaccessible loft so that's a sure sign that we'll have snow. Let's hope it starts on the 24<sup>th</sup> December!

**As the weather turns cold and the children begin rehearsing for** Christmas productions, it becomes more of a challenge to keep them focused and calm in this build-up to the holidays. Early bedtime routines really help children to cope with the added stress and excitement of the holiday season. Thank you for ensuring your child is well rested each morning so we can get the best out of them during the school day.

**There are school issues and there are village issues** and it's not uncommon for them to merge at times. I believe that our crossroads is one such issue which I cannot ignore. Most of you will be aware that there are proposals to widen Tonbridge Road and Bow Road to incorporate turning lanes so through traffic can move through the intersection more freely. However, I've just heard this morning that the consultation has been cancelled due to an inability to meet the costs of the project at this time. We will keep you updated as we learn more about the council's intentions.

**The children have been great about starting their packed lunches by** eating their sandwiches first. We do try to check to make sure that they're not filling up on their dessert first. Thank you, also, for ensuring that crisps are only in Friday lunchboxes. The message is a positive one for children: treats are fine, but only once a week and we're all working together to eat healthily. The children love looking at which type crisps and flavours their friends have brought in which reinforces the idea of looking forward to Fridays. It also gives me a chance to check out the most popular varieties!

**Remember that our library is open for Friday browsing straight after** school. Please feel free to pop in with your child and take out a book. There is a simple sign out book on the brick semi-circle. We have stopped our electronic check-out system as it was expensive to maintain. We are keen to get books into children's hands so feel free to take a minute to browse with your child. It's one of our favourite spaces in school!

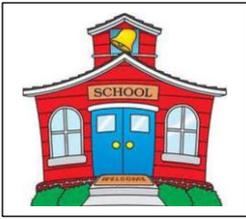
Enjoy the wintry weekend!

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Website : [www.wateringbury.kent.sch.uk](http://www.wateringbury.kent.sch.uk)

KLZ : [www.klz.org.uk](http://www.klz.org.uk), then log-in with your child's log-in (in Homework Diary)



# SCHOOL NEWS

**Indigo Class share their work with Year 3 buddies and siblings!**



Year 1 and Year 3 have been enjoying sharing their work with each other. This week Year 1 shared their 'How to Look after the Oceans' leaflets.

**The Cold Weather has Arrived!**



**Has winter finally arrived?** Please make sure that your children come to school wrapped up in coats with hats and gloves too. They are outside for long playtimes and we want them to make the most of this time without feeling too cold. Needless to say, please make sure all coats, hats and gloves are named. Many thanks.

Please be aware that there is a Staff Briefing on Tuesday mornings. There may be a delay of 1-2 minutes for the side doors to be opened. Many thanks.

*Godfrey Pain, Site Manager.*

Nettlestead and Watringbury Preschool and Out of Schools Clubs provides childcare and education to children aged 2-11 years of age, including before and after school care, and a 'walking bus', service between our setting and Watringbury School. We are open from 7.30am – 6pm and can provide up to 30 hours of funded educational sessions to eligible children. Please contact the setting on 01622 813120, or email enquiries@nwps.org.uk for further information.



## CHURCH, SCHOOL & WORSHIP Our Christian value for this term is **PEACE**

**This week in worship, we thought about what we use to see clearly in the dark.** When asked how torches, phones, candles are similar to the Bible, the children were able to see that the Bible helps us find our way, especially when the path is unclear, badly lit or dangerous.

**Our Christmas Carol Concert at St John's on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm will be attended by ALL our children from.** All the children will be singing, though the main section of the Carol Concert will be performed by Years 3-6. Parents, families and friends are warmly invited to join us. Please ensure you are at the church by 2:50pm to collect if you are unable to make the Carol Concert. Any child who will be attending the After School Club will be walked back to school and then walked down to the club. Thank you.

## SPORTS NEWS



**Our KS1 Football team battled it out!**

What a tough game! Our opposition were incredibly talented, the weather was truly dreadful and it was nearly dark. Watringbury didn't give up however and kept on going. I was so proud. *Suzanne Parr, Sports Development Coach.*

"I just wanted to say how impressed I was with your team, their teamwork and determination throughout the game was incredible." *Sports Teacher, Sandling School*

**Don't forget (if you haven't already done so) to return your raffle ticket money and 'After School Crafting' and 'Supper with Santa' ticket money. Thank you.**

