

"I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE." JOHN 14: 6

# Weekly Newsletter



## Around the school!

We were delighted to welcome Reverend Tayo back to lead Worship this week as well as Rob from St. Mary's Church. Reverend Tayo focused on Christmas as a time for giving and receiving and how that might not just be presents! Rob supplemented our learning on the announcements to Elizabeth and Mary that they were going to be blessed with babies. We also officially turned the cloth in hall to purple as we prepare to enter Advent.

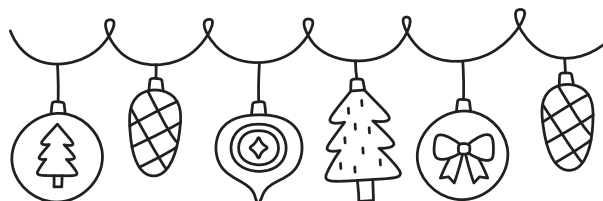
We have also enjoyed visits from Hertford Museum for Years 1 and 4. Our visit for Year 1 focused on Homes in the past, whilst the visit for Year 4 supplemented their learning on the Romans.

Looking ahead, December will start as it means to go on with our much anticipated Christmas concerts and Decorations Day to get us into the spirit and excitement of the festive season. We also have our Occasional Day on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December, meaning school will be closed to all staff and pupils.

Mrs. Woods

## Decorations Day

Our traditional, Decorations Day is back this year and will take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December. For those who have not experienced it before, children will split into mixed age groups and work with two different adults across the morning. They will make decorations that will hang at school until the end of term, then come home to you. In the afternoon, children will return to their classes to carry on making cards and decorations. To help get us in the festive spirit, children can wear Christmas jumpers or t-shirts along with their normal uniform.



## Next PTFFA event!



## Next week at a glance

MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER- FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

MONDAY: WORSHIP FOCUS: CHRISTMAS

MINI-MAKERS LUNCHTIME CLUB - REC

HOCKEY LUNCHTIME CLUB - ALL

NO HOMEWORK CLUB 3.30-4.30PM

NINJA WARRIOR CLUB\* 3.30-4.30PM

KS2 CHRISTMAS CONCERT - 4.45PM AT ST. MARY'S

TUESDAY: PROSPECTIVE PARENT TOURS

TIGER CHEER LUNCHTIME CLUBS

MULTI-SPORTS LUNCH CLUB - ALL

VOLLEYBALL CLUB\* 3.30-4.30PM

EYFS CHRISTMAS CONCERT - 4.45PM AT ST. MARY'S

WEDNESDAY: MINI-MAKERS LUNCHTIME CLUB - Y1-4

TAG RUGBY LUNCH CLUB - ALL

GYMNASTICS CLUB\* 3.30-4.30PM

KS1 CHRISTMAS CONCERT - 4.45PM AT ST. MARY'S

THURSDAY: DECORATIONS DAY - CHRISTMAS JUMPERS!

ATHLETICS LUNCH CLUB - ALL

LEGO CONSTRUCTION CLUB\* - 3.30-4.30PM

FRIDAY: SCHOOL CLOSED - OCCASIONAL DAY

\*THESE CLUBS ARE FOR CHILDREN IN YEARS 1-4.



# Extra-Curricular Clubs

Superstar Sports now run all extra-curricular sport activities, as well as Construction Club. Club details and booking links for next half term can be found here:

Monday: Ninja Warrior

Tuesday: Volleyball Club

Wednesday: Gymnastics

Thursday: Lego Club

(Ninja Warrior): <https://activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity/super-star-sport-head-office-north-london-east-london-essex-herts-roger-de-clare-ninja-warrior-ware-e2907042-9988-41d5-a21f-9e3c603d5436>

(Volleyball): <https://activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity/super-star-sport-head-office-north-london-east-london-essex-herts-roger-de-clare-volleyball-club-ware-fa13b8c5-7037-4482-bd24-70a8866dd629>

(Gymnastics): <https://activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity/super-star-sport-head-office-north-london-east-london-essex-herts-roger-de-clare-gymnastics-club-ware-39c9b1bf-80e8-485e-a84b-dd2e01c974e4>

(Lego): <https://activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity/super-star-sport-head-office-north-london-east-london-essex-herts-roger-de-clare-lego-club-ware-e8265952-5d93-427f-915a-8e772318f7b3>

Homework Club runs every Monday. Please email the office to let us know if your child wishes to attend.

Mini-Makers information has been emailed home.

Please find links to clubs run by Tiger Cheer for Reception, Y1 and Y2:

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Yr 3 and 4:

<https://forms.gle/K6At4KwrTwegpve68>

# Dates for the term:

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December: Key Stage 2 Christmas Concert - 5pm

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December: EYFS Christmas Concert - 5pm

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December: Key Stage 1 Christmas Concert - 5pm

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December: Decorations Day

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December: School Closed - Occasional Day

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Craft Stay and Play for prospective Nursery and Reception.

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December: Parent/Carer Helper Training at 2.45pm

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December: Non-uniform Day for Christmas Fair

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December: PTFFA Christmas Fair

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Dinner

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December: St. Mary's Christmas Service for Roger de Clare at 9am

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December: School closes at 1.15pm

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026: Whole School INSET

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January: School re-opens to Years 1-4 only (EYFS INSET)

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January: EYFS children return

# Community News



## Meet father christmas church farm Ardeley

Selected dates in December

### Festive Farm Entry includes

Christmas Activity Pack \* Festive Woodland  
Walk the farm & see the farm animals

### Meet Father Christmas

Father Christmas in his outside grotto  
(includes a quality toy)  
Meet the Elves

Write a letter to Father Christmas

Write a wish for the Wish Tree

Bag up reindeer food & carrot to take home to Rudolph

### Additional Activities

Santa Paws – bring your beloved pooches to meet  
Father Christmas include treat & toy

Harvest your Own Christmas Tree

Festive Tractor & Trailer Ride

Feed the farm animals

Book online [www.churchfarmardeley.co.uk](http://www.churchfarmardeley.co.uk)

*This is an outdoor event so plenty of  
fresh air. Wrap up warm & wear wellies!*

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