

Dear parents,
Let the festive season commence!

We have achieved so much this halfterm, with teachers and children working hard each day. It has been so encouraging to hear parents' comments regarding their children at Langley School, describing how well they feel the children are cared for. I quite agree, the staff's commitment to this school and how much they care about your children is evident and what makes the team spirit at Langley so very special and unique. Whenever I observe the interactions between staff and children I am always so impressed by the energy and enthusiasm of our attitude staff and the exceptional pupils.

There have been lots of coughs, colds and viruses doing the rounds and we have liaised with Public Health almost dailv to ensure the safetv wellbeing of our school community. Nevertheless, pupils and teachers have battled on and come into school come what may. I am so grateful for co-operation everyone's and partnership. Please stay safe over the holiday period.

Have a happy and peaceful Christmas, enjoy the festive season ahead and thank you for your continued support. See you in 2023!

Reminders & Notices



2nd January - School closed (Bank Holiday)

3rd January - School closed (Teacher Training Day)

4th January - School reopens for pupils



Please note any safeguarding concerns should be reported to the DSLs:

Claire Hynes Becky Ford Marina Ryley Stephanie Parkes Suneta Bagri



Alternatively contact CASS: 0121-303-1888 or NSPCC: 0808-800-5000



Our next Parent Coffee Morning of the new year will be Friday 17th February. We hope to see many of you there.



Uniform donations - if you have any spare uniforms that you no longer require please feel free to send them into school.



The temperature has really dropped recently - please ensure children are wrapped up warm and have coats, hats and scarves as we enter into Winter.



We would like to wish Carla Topham the very best as she starts her maternity leave.











Firs Class

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in Firs! We have had a lovely time decorating the classroom and doing lots of lovely Christmas arts, crafts and cooking activities. We are also working really hard on our communication and have all made some amazing progress using our PECS books and communication folders to request breakfast, toys, and our personal favourite; a picnic! We have also enjoyed making lots of lovely music and sounds and showing our fancy dance moves in PE. It has been so much fun!

Oaks Class

What a wonderful end to the Autumn Term and well done to all our fabulous Oaks for being such superstars!

Thank you to everyone for sending in photographs of your child's baby and family pictures. The children have loved sharing their books with an adult and showing their friends their families and pets.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in the Oaks classroom. All the children have loved joining in with lots of arts and crafts activities and learning lots of Christmas dances and songs. We have also enjoyed cooking with our friends, which involved chocolate, and although very messy went down well

Wishing you all a very wonderful Christmas break and a very merry New Year.

We look forward to seeing you all in 2023.

















Beeches Class

This month in Beeches we have had a visitor from the North Pole come and visit us! A cheeky elf has been having a great time in our classroom and has been letting Father Christmas know what we've been up to. We have been busy completing Literacy work about different Christmas adverts such as Mog and Edgar the dragon which was a big hit! We enjoyed writing letters to Father Christmas and are eagerly awaiting a response from the big man himself! Finally, we have enjoyed taking part in lots of Christmas craft activities and can't wait to share all of these with our families. Have a lovely Christmas holiday, from the Beeches team.

Acers Class

What a fabulous month December has been in Acers class, we have been busy doing all things Christmas! We have been learning all about the Christmas Story ready to perform in the Nativity at church. We have really enjoyed practicing all of our songs and signing. We have particularly enjoyed learning the reindeer hokey! We have also been busy with lots of Christmas crafts, we applied our printing skills from our art lessons to make our wreaths on placemat for the Christmas meal. We even used our printing skills to make our reindeer Christmas cards. We have also enjoyed making our salt dough Christmas tree decorations. We hope you all have a lovely Christmas and we can't wait to continue having lots of fun in Acers in the new year.









Poplars Class

The children in Poplars have enjoyed participating in making Christmas crafts this half term. In literacy we've been focusing on writing our wish lists to father Christmas. In numeracy we have either been focusing on number bonds or multiplication and division.

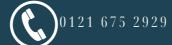
Maples Class

Maples have had a great month preparing for Christmas. We listened to the nativity story, created Christmas crafts and learnt the words and some signs to the Christmas songs. The children have worked so hard this term and the staff are so proud. Well done Maples.



Cedars Class

Cedars have been thinking about preparing for our Christmas celebrations. We have made snowflakes, sparkly chains and baubles to decorate our classroom, as well as trimming our beautiful tree. We have also spent time making a very special advent calendar, each day contains an act of kindness that has been written and sealed in envelopes by the children. All this as well as singing lots of Christmas carols, writing letters to send to the North Pole and learning about the adventures of The Jolly Christmas Postman. Phew, we are all nearly ready for a little rest...after a Christmas film and hot chocolate!







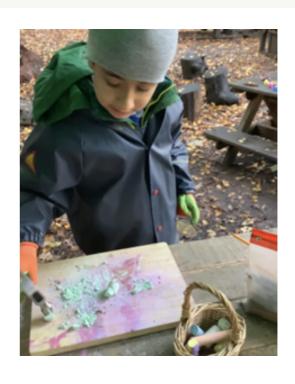
Larches Class

In Larches this month, we have loved learning how to make pizzas during our DT lessons. We've learnt about healthy choices and chose healthy toppings for our pizzas. We cut the toppings very sensibly and spread them over the top. Once cooked, we even had a pizza party for tuck! We then discussed our favourite things about our pizzas and what we would change next time.

Rowans Class

Rowans have had lots of fun this term. We have enjoyed our art lessons where we have made lots of different crafts such as a snow globe. We have also been working very hard on our very festive Christmas video which we will share with you all on classdojo. Children have thoroughly enjoyed forest school this term and enjoyed making their own chalk paint.

We wish you all a very happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all after the Christmas break!





Willows Class

Willows have had a great festive month. We have spent it decorating the classroom, making lots of Christmas crafts and practising for the carol service. The children have enjoyed opening their advent calendar each day that Joe kindly brought in for all the children.

This term we have been on many outdoor trips enjoying swimming. Also trips to the local Co op and Harvest Field Park. We have been practicing our turn taking skills and social interactions.









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 |
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| Diarrhoea 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 |



but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

| Hand, foot and mouth | Glandular fever |
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| 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://grco.de/minfec.