



News and Events

29 November 2021

This week, we are learning about the Jewish Festival of Hanukkah.

Dear Parents/Carers,

The Jewish festival of Hanukkah began yesterday on Sunday 28th November and continues for eight days. This half term we have been thinking about unity between different faiths and I have taken the opportunity to share the story of Hanukkah with the children during Collective Worship. We would all like to wish a Happy Hanukkah to our Jewish families.

In school, we are starting to think about the traditions of Christmas. From Wednesday 1st December, children can bring in Christmas cards for their friends. Cards should be kept in bags or handed into the class teachers to be given out at the end of the day.

As a Church of England school, we set up a nativity and teach the Christian belief about the events leading up to the birth of Jesus. However, we also have traditional decorations: Christmas trees, fairy lights, tinsel and baubles. This year, the library courtyard will hold a real Christmas tree, kindly donated by Henry Street Garden Centre in Arborfield.

Still on the subject of Christmas, this Friday our Christmas Fair will be organised in a similar format to last year. As this is one of our PTA's main fund-raising events of the year, we are asking for a contribution of £5 for each child. Please can your child bring £5 into school on Friday in a named envelope or purse. All children will have the opportunity to play Christmas games, enter competitions and will bring home a small gift. Just a reminder, entries for the colouring competition need to be with us by Wednesday 1st December.

Just a reminder—If a member of your household tests positive for Covid through a Lateral Flow or PCR test, all children should remain at home. Each child should have a PCR test on day 3 and if this is negative, they may return to school.

Finally, we have received a thank you from the British Legion for raising £487.67 through the Poppy Appeal.

Yours sincerely,

Tracey Stanton

Final thought: It's not just the festival of lights. May it also be a festival of hope, happiness, love and health. Happy Hanukkah!



Diary Dates



COMING UP—

DECEMBER

3—Friday	Christmas Fair
10—Friday	Christmas Jumper Day
	Christmas Lunch
	Reindeer Run—£1 donation
17—Friday	Last day of term— SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.30pm

JANUARY

4—Tuesday	INSET DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED
5—Wednesday	Start of Spring Term—children return to school

A full list of Term Dates can be found on the School Website

Menu this week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Vegetable and Bean Fajitas with 50/50 Rice	Beef Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Fish Fingers with Chips and Tomato Sauce
Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Slice	Vegan Sausage Hot Dog with Potato Wedges	Vegetable Wellington with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Tomato and Lentil Pasta with Garlic Bread	Homity Pie with Chips (Cheese, Spinach & Potato Tart)
Green Beans Carrots	Coleslaw Sweet Corn	Cauliflower Broccoli	Roasted Mixed Vegetables	Baked Beans or Peas
Sticky Toffee Apple Crumble with Custard	Mandarin Jelly	Marble Sponge	Oaty Cookie	Apple, Cheese and Biscuits
Available daily: Jacket potatoes, Bread and Salad selection				

Build a Christmas Tree - Emmbrook Place play area Herd Drive /Queens Road Emmbrook

This event runs for a short while 1 – 12 December and is sponsored by TESCO and organised by Community Engagement – Enjoy click on link for more details:

<https://myjourneywokingham.com/events/christmas-tree-treasure-trail-at-emmbrook-place-play-area-herd-drive-wokingham/>