



## Dear Parents, Carers and Children

I can't quite believe that our attention has now turned to the end of term and Christmas events - December definitively seems to have crept up on me! This Newsletter therefore contains information about all things Christmassy for the children (and parents/carers).

Date	Event	Year Group(s)	Time
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity	Year 2/Kingfishers	9.30am
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity	Year 2/Woodpeckers	2.15pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Carols	Years 3 & 4	5.00pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Carols	Years 5 & 6	6.30pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity	Year 1/Penguins	9.30am
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity	Year 1/Puffins	2.15pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity	Reception/Owls & Robins	2.15pm

## For the Infant Events:

- Although we do not limit numbers per family (to allow for younger siblings), we do expect only two adults per family to attend. The children perform in a marquee out on the field at Brockham. However, to ensure there is enough space inside for adults to be able to 'see the action', we do ask that families respect our request regarding audience numbers attending.
- On the day, parents to arrive via the **main gate**, closest to the school office, at the times listed in the table above.
- Parents to then go to the field where there will be adults to show you where to stand.
- Please leave **PROMPTLY** at the end of the event, via the main gate again.
- For the 2.15pm performances, at the end of the events, parents please wait in the bottom playground, where you usually wait at the end of the school day for pick up from the Brockham site. Children will be brought out to meet you.
- Parents have asked if photographing/videoing is permitted, for their own use and not for sharing on and social networks. However, I am mindful that we do not have permissions for some pupils. Therefore if you **DO** have objections to this please contact the school office; otherwise, we will presume that parents are happy to allow this.

## For Year 3 & 4 Carols at 5.00pm we ask that:

- Children and parents to arrive no earlier than 4.50pm.
- Children and parents to arrive via the **main gate**, closest to the school office, where you will receive a programme/song sheet.
- Children to go straight to classrooms
- Parents to go to the field where there will be adults to show you where to stand.
- At the end of the event, children will go back to classrooms. We ask that parents then go to the classroom(s) and collect from there, as it will be quite dark. Our priority will be making sure children are returned to their grown-ups safely.
- Please leave **PROMPTLY** at the end of the event, via the main gate.

**There will be a tight handover between the two events so...**

## ...for Year 5 & 6 Carols at 6.30pm we ask that:

- Children and parents to arrive no earlier than 6.20pm.
- Children and parents to arrive via the **Year 5 & 6 gate**, where you will receive a programme/song sheet.
- Children to go straight to classrooms
- Parents to go to the field where there will be adults to show you where to stand.
- At the end of the event, children will go back to classrooms. We ask that parents then go to the classroom(s) and collect from there, as it will be quite dark. Our priority will be making sure children are returned to their grown-ups safely.

## Polite reminders for everyone:

- For the Junior Carols, children can wear non-school uniform, must wrap up warm, wearing wellies or appropriate footwear *as the field can be rather muddy and slippery*.
- Parents/carers please wrap up too and please do bring an umbrella with you, (rain may be forecast) as there will not be room for adults under the shelter of the marquee.
- Please do park considerately and be mindful of the residents, avoiding trying to park anywhere on Wheelers Lane.
- Finally, sing up...audience participation may be required and is essential in ensuring that we spread as much Christmas cheer as possible!

## Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day...

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December is Christmas lunch day. All children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper for the day, rather than their school sweatshirt/cardigan.



## Dorking Wanderers FC 'FREE Football For All' Initiative

Dorking Wanderers FC are proud to announce the launch of our FREE Football For All initiative, offering all children aged 6 to 16 the chance to receive high-quality football coaching completely free of charge! The programme has been created to ensure that every child in the community has access to expert coaching without the financial barriers.

Rob Tuvey, Head of Youth Football, explained: "We understand and appreciate that Youth Football can be a costly activity, and we're aware that this could potentially limit the opportunity for some children to participate. We have launched this initiative as we believe that all children in our community should have the chance to develop a love of the game without the concern of a financial commitment being attached. We are welcoming all children, regardless of age, ability, or experience. Boys, girls, outfield players, and goalkeepers are all encouraged to take part, everyone is welcome!"

**FREE Football For All Sessions:**

- 23rd December 2025
- 17 February 2026
- 7th April 2026
- 11th April 2026

For more information, and to book your place click here:

<https://club.spond.com/landing/courses/dorkingwanderers/16419543E6074885BA97315A843007EE>

## Sports Update from Mrs Stowell

### Dorking Schools Gymnastics Competition

On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November our Years 3 & 4 and Years 5 & 6 gymnastics teams took part in the Dorking Schools competition at The Ashcombe School. The children have been learning three different routines in our gymnastics club on Tuesdays, which they had to perform individually at the competition. Sports leaders from The Ashcombe judged and scored their performances.

Our teams of twelve Years 3 & 4 children and twelve Years 5 & 6 children performed extremely well with some outstanding routines, particularly in the ribbon section where the children had to add their own creative interpretation.

In the individual competition for Years 3 & 4 Reya came 2<sup>nd</sup> and Clemmie 3<sup>rd</sup> and in the Years 5 & 6 Emily Jane came 3<sup>rd</sup> and Chloe 1<sup>st</sup>.

In the team competition our Years 5 & 6 team came 2<sup>nd</sup> and our Years 3 & 4 team came 1<sup>st</sup>. Well done to all the children for their hard work learning and perfecting their routines!



### Year 3 New Age Kurling Competition

Eight children from Year 3 were invited to a New Age Kurling Festival at Dorking Sports Centre last Friday. The children had lots of fun learning the skills of Kurling and then playing fun games against the other schools.

### Year 5 Boys Football Tournament

All Year 5 boys had the opportunity to attend trials with the Josh Evans school football club, who had then selected a team for the tournament. They travelled to St Martins on Tuesday where they played all the other local schools in a round robin Tournament. The boys played well in a very closely contested tournament. They drew 5 games, won one game 5-0 and lost one 1-0 to finish 4<sup>th</sup> overall with St Pauls winning the tournament.

## Everychild Partnership Trust Newsletter

Please click on the link below to see this term's Trust Newsletter, which this term features one of our lovely parents!

<https://trustnewsletter.my.canva.site/autumn-2025>

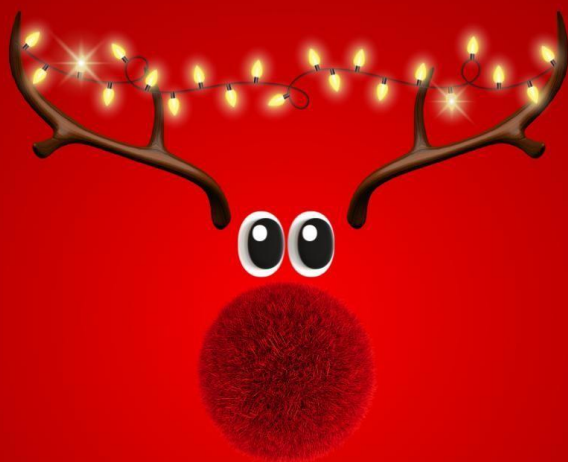


A huge well done to Ivy (Year 3) who competed and came 1st in Grade 4 of a SAS gymnastics competition last weekend!



## Santa is coming to town - FONDS Christmas Fair!

FONDS Christmas Raffle  
Just £1 Per Ticket



Amazing prizes including Afternoon Tea for 2, £100/£50/£30 Amazon Vouchers, Panto & Farm Tickets, Dance & Drama Classes, and so much more



Friday 19th December

We look forward to seeing you all at the Christmas Fair in a couple of weeks' time.

In readiness, the school will be holding a **Mufti Day** on **Friday 12th of December** in exchange for tombola donations as follows:

**TOYS** - either new or in very good condition (no clothes please)

**SWEETS** of any kind (no nuts or lollies)

**BOTTLES** - alcoholic or non alcoholic

Thank you as always for your continued support - **FONDS Team**

FONDS Christmas Raffle tickets are now available for purchase - don't miss out...we always have some amazingly fantastic prizes. Follow the link below...

<https://raffall.com/403910/enter-raffle-to-win-amazing-prizes-at-the-fonds-christmas-2025-affle-hosted-by-the-fonds-team>

## Dates for the Diary

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December - Year R Curriculum Day  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December- Year 2 Nativities at Brockham  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December - Junior Christmas Carol Evening  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December - Year 1 Nativities at Brockham  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Year R Nativity at Brockham  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Jumper & Christmas Lunch  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December - Break up for Christmas - Infants finish at 1.00 & Juniors finish at 1.15  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January - Children return to school  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Parent Teacher Consultations  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Break up for half term  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February - Children return to school  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Break up for Easter - Infants finish at 1.00 & Juniors finish at 1.15  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April - Children return to school  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May - Children break up for half term  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May and Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - INSET Days

Wishing you all a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

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