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INFORM



Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the past 2 weeks, all children in **Year 4** have enjoyed a visit to **Bradwell Abbey** to support their **History** work on The Romans. We are really proud of how well all children engaged in this visit. They enjoyed learning about famous Romans and experienced life as part of the Roman army. There are some great photographs of their day on our Facebook page!

As we come to the final 3 weeks of term, there is lots happening in school. Please read the box below for all the details of what is happening when!

Have a good weekend!

Mrs White

All things Christmas!

As we move into next week, we are getting into the festive spirit at EVS! Next Wednesday is our **Christmas Dinner** day, and we also invite all children to **wear non-uniform with a Christmas jumper (or t-shirt or dress!)** for a **£1 donation towards the Friends of EVS**. Please make payment via the Arbor shop if your child wishes to take part.

Next Thursday is our **Christmas discos** - for children in Years 3 and 4 from 4:30-5:30pm and for Years 5 and 6 from 6:00-7:00pm. Please drop off and collect from the school hall. In order for your child to take part, **consent and a £3 payment must be made through Arbor by 8am on Monday**.

Later today, Year 3 parents will receive a letter inviting them to the **Year 3 Nativity on 8th, 9th or 10th December**. Please see the Arbor communication regarding how to book tickets. This is limited to 2 tickets per family. **If you wish to attend with younger siblings, this must be at the performance on 8th December**.

We invite all families in **Years 5 and 6** to our Carols on the playground, straight after school on Thursday 11th December. More details on arrangements for this to follow next week.

To support The Henry Allen Trust, Emerson Valley now has a 'Giving Tree.' If you would like to support this charity, please take a tag from the Giving Tree, which is now set up near the Reception area. Please wrap the gift and return it, with the tag attached to Reception or to a member of staff for the gift appeal. Mrs Terry will be arranging a collection of these gifts in the last week of term. For more information, see page 2 of this newsletter.

On Monday, you will receive communication through Arbor about our **Christmas Shop**, which takes place during the school day on 16th December. This is an opportunity for children to buy Christmas presents for adults. Each gift costs £5, and payment for all gifts must be made by 3pm on Friday 12th December.

And finally, **from Wednesday, our school post box will be in Reception**. If children wish to send Christmas cards to their friends in school, **please make sure the envelope has the NAME and CLASS of the child**—otherwise it may not get to its intended recipient!



GOLD AWARDS

Year 3: Kareem (Snapdragons), Aaliyah (Bluebells), Eva (Cherry Blossoms), Wilf (Sunflowers)

Year 4: Tate (Eagles), Nisserine (Flamingos), Coco (Penguins), Grahill (Swifts)

Year 5: Tay (Axolotis), Amelia (Jellyfish), Jasmine (Orcas), Kai (Turtles)

Year 6: Ikleen (Attenborough), Ollie (Darwin), Lydia (Luther King), Camden (Parks)

Music Awards: Emmaunuel (Snapdragons), Duchess (Flamingos), Millie (Orcas), Cienna (Darwin)

PE Awards: Vamika (Cherry Blossom), Bella (Penguins), Isla-Rose (Turtles), Arabella (Parks)

Staff Awards: Mrs Girgenti, Mrs Terry and Mrs Cokayne





Autumn Term 2025

These dates are for both Merebrook and Emerson Valley



unless otherwise indicated. **NEW EVENTS IN RED.**

2nd December 2025	Year 3 Stone Age Workshop
3rd December 2025	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day £1 donation towards ChoMS / Friends
4th December 2025	Christmas Disco - Years 3 and 4 4:30-5:30pm, Years 5 and 6 6:00-7:00pm
8th December 2025	Year 3 Nativity - performance for parents with younger siblings at 2pm
9th December 2025	Year 3 Nativity - performance for parents of Cherry Blossoms and Sunflowers at 2pm
10th December 2025	Year 3 Nativity - performance for parents of Bluebells and Snapdragons at 2pm Friends of EVS AGM. 5:30pm at Emerson Valley School
11th December 2025	EYFS Christmas performance - 9:15am Key Stage 1 Carols on the playground - 2:15pm Year 5 and 6 Carols on the playground - 3:35pm
16th December 2025	Christmas shop for all year groups
17th December 2025	Pantomime for all year groups
19th December 2025	Last day of the autumn term

Christmas Stocking Appeal

Can you help fill Santa's stocking with lovely treats for the children and families battling childhood cancer?

SPREADING HENRY'S HAPPINESS

This Christmas, Team Henry are dedicated to bringing a little extra magic and comfort to children, teens, young adults, and their families facing the toughest battles with childhood cancers.

The festive season can be a tough time for families dealing with diagnosis, hospital stays, treatment, and uncertainty. With your kindness, every single gift donated will help Team Henry create magical smiles, special memories, and moments of joy when they're needed the most.

Thank you for helping keep Henry's light shining bright this Christmas. Together, we can and will spread even more love, hope, and happiness to families.

SUGGESTED ITEMS:

- Small toys, LEGO, puzzles, games
- Books, colouring, activity sets, arts and crafts
- Cuddly comforters
- Gift cards
- Toiletries, pamper treats
- Selection boxes, chocolates, sweets
- Cozy socks, gloves, hats, PJ's
- Headphones, gadgets, teen friendly gifts

Supporting children and families battling childhood cancer
www.thehenryallentrust.org.uk