

Elm Green Newsletter



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Spring Term Issue 1

Welcome Back—Happy New Year!

We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas and feel refreshed and ready for another busy school term starting tomorrow 7 January! Thank you for the many beautiful Christmas cards, gifts and kind words from children, parents and friends of the school. These were all greatly appreciated and enjoyed! We would also like to take this belated opportunity to wish you all a very healthy, happy and successful New Year!

Once again the children made us all very proud at the annual Carol Service in Chelmsford Cathedral and we are especially grateful to Mrs Cussell for all her hard work in organising the programme and preparing all the children so well. We would also like to extend a special thank you to our instrumental music teachers for successfully preparing the various ensembles and instrumentalists as well accompanying many of the musical pieces. Thank you for your generosity on the day; £712 was raised at the service and this will be shared between the Year 6 charities. Thank you also to Year 6 who provided an amazing feast of cakes at their cake sale and Christmas Jumper Day in December. They raised £375 for their charities. Y6 also did an amazing job looking after KG children at the Christmas buffet lunch (see photos below!)

Extra-Curricular Clubs and Peripatetic Music Lessons

Instrumental music lessons will start this week—**except voice, woodwind and drums** which will start next week beginning 13 January. Our Friday lunchtime Chess Club and after school Multi-Sports will start this Friday 10 January with all other clubs starting next week. Y5/6 swimming re-starts this Friday and we also hope to follow our normal swimming, PE and Games timetables in school this week so please send in the children's kit as normal and please check that all uniform items are named.

Advance Notice – Diary Dates this Term

Below are some key dates for your diaries this term

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| Thu | 23 Jan | Y4-Chelmsford Museum |
| Mon | 27 Jan | 8.45 KG Parents' Curriculum Meeting |
| Fri | 31 Jan | 8.45 Y5 Parents' CSSE Applications |
| Thu | 6 Feb | 3.30 KS1 Parent Consultations with form teachers and specialist teachers |
| Mon | 17 Feb | HALF TERM WEEK BEGINS |
| Tue | 25 Feb | Y1-Chelmsford Museum |
| Fri | 28 Feb | Y5-Epping Forest Field Studies Centre |
| Tues | 4 Mar | 1E Class Assembly Y6 Individual Consultations |
| Wed | 5 Mar | Y6 Individual Consultations |
| Tues | 11 Mar | 8.45 Childnet Parents' Workshop |
| Wed | 12 Mar | Y5 Progress Consultations |
| Thu | 13 Mar | 3.30 KS2 Parent Consultations with form teachers and specialist teachers Y5 parents are invited to see specialists |
| Fri | 14 Mar | Y5 Parents' CCHS Applications |
| Tues | 18 Mar | 1G Class Assembly 2.30 KS1 Open Classrooms |

