



Tilston Parochial  
CE Primary School

Bringing out the Best in Everyone.

*'Encourage one another and build each other up.' Thessalonians 5:11*

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

### **It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas....**

It's been a lovely week in school with Christmas preparations well underway.

Our Christmas trees are up and everywhere is starting to look and feel very exciting for the children. Thank you to Mr Davies, Harvey's dad, for kindly donating two Christmas trees for school, they look beautiful.



### **A King is Born**

**EYFS and KS1 Nativity: Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 6:00pm**

It's nearly time for our 'A King is Born' nativity performances and the children are all very excited to dress up and retell the Christmas story. A polite reminder of the dates and times of the performances:

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 10am- Grandparent Performance

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 6pm- Performance

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 6pm- Performance.

**Please remember to bring tickets.**

Please drop children off no earlier than 5:30pm as we will be busy setting up the hall. Refreshments will be served in the main hall from 5:30pm prior to the start of the performance at 6pm.

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## Christingle- KS2 Only

This year we are inviting all children to make their own **collection cube of hope** to help raise money for The Children's Society. If you would like to make a small donation, please put your donations in the cubes and bring them along to the Christingle service on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December.



## A message from the TSA...

Please help us to sell our last remaining stars

## Shine like a star for Christmas 2022



Let someone you care about twinkle this Christmas.



We are running the TSA raffle slightly differently this Christmas. We won't be sending raffle books home this year, or asking for hamper and tombola donations. Instead, we are selling family tickets at £10 per ticket, which gives entry into a prize draw to win a top prize of £125 cash. Not only that, there is also the opportunity to place a star in the window at school, so your family or the name of a loved one can shine like a star over the festive period.

The star can be dedicated to a pet, a family member, a friend, past or present, or if you'd rather keep it anonymous that is also possible. And at the end of term, you can take your card star home and place it in your window to continue to shine.

We only have 150 stars up for grabs, and it would be great if we can sell them all. All monies raised for the sale go to the TSA, then directly back to school, so it's a great way to raise much-needed funds for our wonderful school, while also having a chance to win a prize.

It's not just £125 cash that can be won, there is also a second prize of £100 and a very kind donation from Iceland of a shopping voucher for £75. There will also be other voucher prizes to be won.

Tickets are on sale now; stars will be displayed from 1<sup>st</sup> December. The raffle will be drawn at the last performance of the nativity on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December. To purchase a ticket, speak to a member of the TSA or email [kelly@remarkabletoilets.com](mailto:kelly@remarkabletoilets.com) Payment is preferred by bank transfer; TSA account details as are follows:

Tilston School Association SC: 30 99 95 ACCT: 00867801 REF: ST Surname (No. of tickets): ST Smith 2

Please dig deep - £10 is a lot of money but families can club together to buy stars. It's for a great cause and the prize of cash, or a shopping voucher, would be very useful at this time of year.

Thank you, the TSA x.

## TSA Meeting- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Please come along, you don't need to be on the committee to have a say. If you are unable to make the meeting, ideas and views can be emailed to [lucy.pochin@btinternet.com](mailto:lucy.pochin@btinternet.com).

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## Personal Development

This week's personal development goal is **imagine**. Well done to the following children who have shared imaginative ideas this week.



## Stars of the Week



<b>YR</b>	Douglas: using his imagination when designing and drawing.
<b>Y1</b>	Teddy: being a great Robins role model this week.
<b>Y2</b>	Julian: using his imagination to write an exciting diary entry
<b>Y3</b>	Angus: a creative letter from 'bear' to the woodland animals.
<b>Y4</b>	Noah: using his imagination for letter writing.
<b>Y5</b>	Archie L: using his imagination in literacy.
<b>Y6</b>	Evelyn: using her imagination in history.

Next week's menu is **WEEK 1**

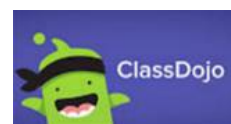
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**Our Star Hand Writers**



<b>Reception</b>	
<b>Year 1</b>	Elvis
<b>Year 2</b>	Orla
<b>Year 3</b>	Laurie
<b>Year 4</b>	Samuel
<b>Year 5</b>	Archie K
<b>Year 6</b>	Oskar



The Class Dojo Champions this week are the **Robins**. Well done everyone.

<b>Wrens &amp; Bluebell Nursery</b>	<b>Robins</b>	<b>House Martins</b>	<b>Kestrels</b>
157	443	392	514 



This week's lunchtime award goes to Jasmine for outstanding manners in the dining room.

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## Christmas Jumper Day

We will be celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December**. All children are invited to wear non-uniform with a Christmas jumper for a small donation to Save the Children. Thank you in advance.



## The Storyhouse – The Snow Queen (Years 1-6)

STORYHOUSE We are looking forward to our trip to The Storyhouse next Friday. We will provide drinks and snacks for the children to enjoy during the interval. All children need to be dressed in full school uniform please. A special thank you to the TSA for funding the transport to help keep the cost to a minimum.

## After School Clubs

Hockey, Quiz Club and Art Club will finish next week. There will be no extra-curricular clubs in the last week of term. Early starters and after school club will continue as normal.

We have an exciting range of after school clubs on offer next half term. Please see details below and use the online booking and payment system to secure a place. All clubs will run for 6 weeks starting the week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

Day/dates	Time	Staff member	Club	Year groups	Number of places available	Cost
Tuesday	3:15-4:00pm	Mrs Mort	Computing-Club	Years 2,3 & 4	15	£4.75 per week/ 6 weeks Total- £28.50
Wednesday	3:15-4:15pm	Ms Shone	Ball Skills Basketball/Netball	KS2 Years 3,4,5 & 6	20	£4.75 per week/ 6 weeks Total- £28.50
Wednesday	3:15-4:15pm	Magpie Books/Mrs Edwin Scott	Book Club	Y4/5/6	8	Total- £40 £6.70 per session

## Book Club- In partnership with Magpie Books, Malpas.

We are delighted to share our exciting new partnership with Magpie Books, Malpas. Mrs Edwin Scott will lead each of the six sessions, the first being a trip to the bookshop transported by staff. The children will choose and receive a copy of the book on their visit to the bookshop which they will enjoy reading during the club. Mrs Edwin Scott will lead creative writing sessions and the children will work up to writing their very own book review. We can only run this club if we are able to fill all 8 places.

## WELCOME TO



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### **Early Starters and After School Club Bookings**

Bookings for next half term will open on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December at noon. Demand for places is very high so we suggest booking as soon as possible. If you have booked a session and then find you no longer need it, please log back in to cancel as we have people waiting. Bookings can be amended until the day before the session.

### **Christmas Holidays**

We will break up for Christmas on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December. We have a staff inset day on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January and school will open for all children on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

There will be no homework set over the Christmas holidays as we hope the children will be too busy having fun with friends and family!

### **Sing a Christmas Story**

Our school choir joined over 700 children from other primary schools this morning to 'Sing a Christmas Story,' at Chester Cathedral. The children sang beautifully and their behaviour was outstanding. Please click on the link to see their spectacular performance:

[Tilston Parochial Primary School: Sing a Christmas Story](#)



### **Prayer of the week: Harriet & Izaak**

Dear God,  
As we prepare for the coming of your son Jesus,  
Help us to be kind to all of our school family,  
Let us enjoy this special time of Advent,  
And let us show your love to those around us.  
Amen.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely



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# Diary Dates

## Next week's events

Dates for next half term		
Date	Event	Time/venue
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery/Reception/Robins Christmas Nativity concert for Grandparents only.	10am
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity Concert for parents (EYFS/KS1)	6pm- school hall <b>Two tickets per family, per evening performance.</b>
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity Concert for parents (EYFS/KS1)	6pm- school hall <b>Two tickets per family, per evening performance.</b>
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day	All children are invited to wear their Christmas jumper to support Save the Children.  Please note this is a change of date due to the theatre trip.
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Theatre trip- The Snow Queen (KS1 & KS2)	10:30am The Storyhouse Chester. School uniform (Years 1-6)
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	TSA Christmas themed stall	3:15pm front yard
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	TSA Christmas Wreath Making workshop	Please see attached flyer for details
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner Day	Staff and children will celebrate Christmas together  Children are invited to wear their Christmas jumpers with their school uniform.
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle Service (KS2 children only) All children are expected to take part in this service.	6:30pm St Mary's Church <b>Two tickets per family.</b>
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Holidays We have a planned inset day on Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023 School opens on Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Carol Service	St Mary's Church 6:30pm

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