

Year 2

Thank you to the Reception team for putting on our annual nativity. It never ceases to amaze me how talented the children are, with the capacity to remember all of their lines and the songs and actions. On the north we welcomed some local residents from Lindley Court to share the event. Just some of the comments from them 'Thank you so much that was lovely.' 'Stars of the future'. Hopefully, you have all ordered your photos to cherish the memories.

Can I also take this opportunity to thank all of my staff for all they do at school, including things that are extra to their role. We wouldn't be able to run the film events, Christmas fair and many other things if they did not give up their time to help organize them. Next week is a short week as the school closes for the Christmas break on Thursday. There are no clubs next week. Wrap around care is still running except for Thursday, when the school finishes at 3.15 or 3.30 for all children.

On Monday is our annual Christmas fair which we host on the North site. There will be craft stalls, games, circus shows, Dinky and Dixie the donkeys and much more. The Christmas cafe will be open with chicken nuggets, chips, stir fry vegetables with noodles and chicken stir fry with noodles. So bring friends and family, wrap up warm as some events will be outside. If you are available to help set up or man a stall please come to the north site office at 1.30pm.

On Wednesday we have the Christmas lunch for all who want it. The menu is later in the newsletter.

The children also have their Christmas party on Tuesday, year 5 on Wednesday and they can wear non uniform.

It is with great sadness that I am informing you that Miss Mikkides will be leaving us in February. She has been at the Mission grove as long as I have and undertaken many different teaching roles. To ensure there is continuity with the teaching of Swallow class Mr James will take the class until the end of the school year. Miss Mikkides will be handing over to Mr James and she will be on hand to ensure a smooth transition.

Don't forget Christmas Fair—Monday 3.30–6.30pm.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend

Miss Katie Jennings
Headteacher

Year 2 travelled to Kenya this week! They had their own boarding passes for the plane and completed a quiz about Kenya on the journey there to keep them busy. They learnt about the similarities and differences between Kenya and the UK, learnt African drumming and created their own Masai Jewellery. In the afternoon, we learnt more about the Masai tribe and created a factfile, we ended the day by trying different African foods such as Plantain chips, Cassava chips and African rice.



SPECIAL DATES

Up date on CIN fundraising

Can I start by apologising on 2 counts; 1 for the confusion and 2 for not being able to please everyone. We did some fundraising with the children for the BBC's children in need. Some parents raised concerns and I said we would review what charity it would be sent to. After meeting with parents who requested to talk about it, talking to some groups of children and researching what the charities raises funds for we will donate the £300 to Children In Need as was originally stated. If anyone of you want to read about what the funds go to please click here:

[CN1364-Annual-Report-2021-2022 V2.pdf](#)
(bbcchildreninneed.co.uk)

December

Week beginning 18th No Clubs

18th Christmas Fair 3.30pm—6.30pm North Site

19th Year 4 Ice Skating Lea Valley

Year 4 Pump House

19th Christmas Parties

20th Christmas Lunch

21st Christmas Jumper Day

Last Day of term normal finish time

January

8th Staff Training Day—INSET

9th Children return to school

11th Reception 2024 Open day North site 10am

12th Reception 2024 Open day South site 10am

15th Last day to apply for Reception 2024

Week beginning 15th Clubs start—you will need to sign up for new clubs on the APP

16th Mallard & Magpie @ London Transport Museum

17th Young Voices @ O2

Selected children at Capital Cricket competition

18th Curriculum Governors

Year 3/4 Tri Golf selected children

Finance Governors

23rd merlin & Moorhen @ London Transport Museum

29th Literacy week



CHRISTMAS

Fair

DECEMBER
18TH
Monday

FOOD . CRAFTS . GAMES .
MEET SANTA

Starts at 3.30pm to
6.30pm

- North Site Buxton Road E17 7EJ



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Parenting is difficult! It's a job we receive no training for, yet we are always expected to get it right

What do EPEC courses cover?

EPEC Parenting offers a variety of parent led courses and workshops both face to face and virtually. Each course is facilitated by x2 EPEC certified Parent Group Leaders (PGLS). Topics include Being 'Good enough parents, Feelings, Child led play, Spending time with your children, Understanding children's behaviour, Discipline strategies, Listening & Communication styles, Coping with stress etc.

What types of EPEC Courses are there in Waltham Forest?

There are 2 types of EPEC parenting courses:

1. Being a Parent Course - for parents/ carers of children aged 2-11 years
2. Parent Group Leaders Course – a unique parenting approach for parents of (children ages 2-11 years). The techniques & training has been designed for local parents and is run by local parents.



"As a father I feel I am a good enough parent and it's important we build safer relationships with our children."

"I'm not alone and other parents go through the same."

"It's a relaxed, friendly atmosphere."

"Open/talking, learning about us and not feeling alone as a father."

You can speak to a member of the EPEC Team for further information or to book onto a course
Phone: 0779913026 email: EPEC@walthamforest.gov.uk Web: bit.ly/EPECBAP

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WALTHAM FOREST
FAMILY HUBS


Waltham Forest

XMAS MENU 2023

Mission Grove Primary School

Roasted Turkey

Yorkshire pudding

Vegetarian lasagna (v)

Roasted ratatouille with beans served with rice VG

Roast potato

Carrots

Brussels sprouts

Gravy

Three choices of salad

Handmade bread

Mini mince pie (Vegetarian)

Satsuma

ice cream

THE MAKING IT MINDFUL

Christmas PARTY

DISCO, SNOW MACHINE, ENTERTAINERS, GIANT
SLIDE, BOUNCY CASTLES, CRAFTS,
SENSORY PLAY, FACEPAINTING,
GINGERBREAD DECORATION AND
A DESSERT WITH EVERY TICKET.



FRIDAY 29TH DECEMBER

11AM - 1.30PM & 3PM 5.30PM

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£10 5ND

£10 CHILD
£6 ADULT
UNDER 3'S,
FREE



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