



5th December 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we move closer to Christmas, it's been a wonderfully busy and enjoyable week here at school. The children have been full of excitement, energy, and festive spirit. Our Christmas tree arrived this week, and on Wednesday afternoon we spent some time decorating it with our home-made ornaments. Each class designed and created their own unique decoration, adding a special touch of festivity to our tree.

Coming Into School

Thank you all for your cooperation while we began our drop and go zone outside the main school gate this week. The change has helped us to ensure we are keeping everyone safe by making sure we know exactly who is on site each morning.

Messy Church

On Wednesday 10th December at 2pm, St Botolph's Church are holding a 'Messy Church'. This will be a Christmas themed session with arts and crafts, music and prayers. If you wish to attend with your child, please collect them from the school office at 1:30pm. This will not affect their afternoon attendance mark as they will be marked as attending the church.



Pop up Community Carols – Reminder *This Sunday*

On Sunday 7th December, led by Ebbsfleet Baptist Church and the Salvation Army, a big screen featuring our school choir will be journeying through Gravesend, stopping at Cable Wharf at 2:45pm (at the park by Genieve Road). Come along with friends and family to celebrate the Christmas message and listen to the wonderful music.



Attendance Matters



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Every student. Every day.

Good attendance is essential for helping children grow in confidence, maintain strong routines, and make steady academic progress. We truly appreciate your ongoing support in ensuring they come to school each day ready to learn. This week, our highest attendance was achieved by Zephaniah class with 95.16% - well done on a brilliant effort!

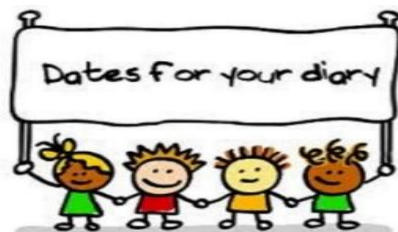


Term 2 Activities

The timetable for PE and Swimming for Term 2 is shown below:

PE timetable Term 2	Class
Monday	Morpurgo
Tuesday	Dahl and Zephaniah
Wednesday	Donaldson
Thursday	Seuss, Donaldson and Zephaniah
Friday	Seuss, Dahl and Rauf

Swimming Term 2	Class
Tuesday	Year 5 Rauf and Year 6 Morpurgo



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Wednesday 10 th December	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 10 th December	Messy Church @2pm at St Botolph's Church (see above)
Thursday 11 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 11 th December	Year R Nativity to parents @9am
Friday 12 th December	Winter Wonderland Day (in school)
Tuesday 16 th December	Year 1 Nativity to parents @9am
Thursday 18 th December	Carol Service at St Botolph's Church @9:30am – All welcome to join us.
Thursday 18 th December	Open Afternoon for all parents @2:30pm An opportunity to share with your child their learning from the Autumn term.
Friday 19 th December	Class parties and finish at 1:30pm There will be no Provision/after school clubs this day

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Martin
Headteacher