

# News from the Green



A newsletter sharing the goings on and celebrations from Matching Green Primary School.

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## Update from Mr Lorkins

It has been a busy week at Matching Green this year. We had two fantastic school trips this week to Harry Potter World and the Braintree Museum. The children were fantastic representatives of our school and enjoyed their chance to learn outside school with their heads, hearts and hands. The school also enjoyed an opportunity to share some Christmas Cheer with the Matching Green Friendly Club on the Green.

I would like to thank Sue and the other volunteers from the Parish who came into school to make Christingles. The children learnt about the symbolism shown through Christingles and how they represented Jesus' compassion to the world. All are invited to the Christingle Service at St Mary's Church in Matching Green on Sunday at 4pm. I hope to see many of you there.

Yesterday, it was great to see so many of the pupils and staff dressed with festive cheer for Christmas Jumper Day. I want to say a big thank you to Miss Bennett for cooking an excellent Christmas Dinner. She was in school making scrumptious Christmas brownies yesterday afternoon and was back in work yesterday morning piling potatoes. Thank you.

In worship, we have been continuing to explore the Christian story and focusing on the surprise of the shepherds but also how they demonstrate that, for Christians, Jesus is for everyone.

Have a great weekend.



## School Dinners

The week after half term will be Week One of school dinners.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
pizza	korma	toad in the hole	mac and cheese	chicken nuggets

Jacket potato will also be available as an alternative.

## Dates

14.12.25 - Christingle Service  
16.12.25 - Christmas Nativity/Concert  
17.12.25 - Christmas Nativity/Concert  
19.12.25 - Last Day of Term. Finish at 1.15pm  
6.1.26 - First day back for pupils  
8.1.26 - Fire Service Winter Safety  
28.1.26 - PTA Lego Bake Sale  
13.2.26 - Last day of half term  
23.2.26 - First day back after half term  
5.3.26 - West End in Schools Workshop  
9.3.26 - PTA Mothers' Day Gift Room  
20.3.26 - Red Nose Day  
23.3.26 - PTA Easter Enrichment  
25.3.26 - Potter Class Aerozeone Trip  
27.3.26 - Last day of term



## Reminders -

**Please can we remember that the yellow lines outside the school are a reserved space that provides room for the emergency services to arrive and park in so that they can get into the school quickly if urgent help is needed. These must be kept clear at all times.**



Please can you ensure that all your child's belongings are clearly named. We have had quite a lot of lost property, already this term, and we want to make sure it can all be returned to the correct owner.

**The PTA have lots of preloved uniform to sell. This is sold at a great price and raises money for the school. Please use their online shop to purchase <https://uniformerly.co.uk/search-listings/?q=&c=7929>.**

Many thanks

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# CELEBRATE!

**Well done to our Stars of the Week this week.**



Flo - Year 1



Felix - Year R



Maliya - Year 1



Adrian - Year 4



Elsie - Year 3



Sophie - Year 5

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## 75 Club

Each month we have a draw where the holder of the winning number will win some of the prize fund collected. You can purchase a number for £2.50. Please speak to the office or a member of the PTA to join and stand a chance to win.

November winners were:

- 1st - Peter Howes
- 2nd - Sarah Woods
- 3rd - Chris Warner

## Easyfundraising

If you are online shopping please click on this link first. A percentage of the money you spend will go towards the school at no extra cost to you. We have raised over £3000 using this service so far. An 'easy' fundraising opportunity for school.

[https://  
www.easyfundraising.org.uk/](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/)

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# BREAKING NEWS

## Singing on the Green

The whole school went to Matching Green cricket pavilion to sing to the Friendly Club. They did an excellent job and did our school proud.



## Christmas Dinner

Thank you to Miss Bennett for an incredible Christmas Dinner on Thursday.



## Braintree Museum

On Tuesday, Shakespeare Class learnt about Victorian classrooms at Braintree Museum.



## Harry Potter World

On Monday, Darwin Class visited Harry Potter World. They had a great time learning about the stories and how words can be turned into film.



## Thank You

Thank you to Mr and Mrs Turner to donating a beautiful Christmas Tree and Mrs Banlowski for the lovely Christmas decorations on our entrance hal windows.

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