



Issue 460
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Yelvertoft Primary Concerns

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week has just flown by! It was lovely to see all of the children in their Christmas jumpers yesterday, very festive! If you have not yet donated to the Children's Society, you are able to do this online or by bringing a donation into school. The children will have another opportunity to wear their Christmas jumpers next Friday when we have our Christmas dinner in school.

It is beginning to feel a lot like Christmas in school! Remember we do have our Christmas post box if the children would like to send their friends cards. If you would still like to make a donation to our Giving Tree please be aware that I will be taking the presents over to the Hope Centre at the end of next week.

As the weather gets colder, they are welcome to also bring in hats, scarves, and gloves to keep warm but please remember to name everything! We have a very large amount of lost property, please do pop in and have a look if your child has lost any uniform this term.

We are all looking forward to a very busy, Christmassy next two weeks!

Mel Servent

Records of Achievement

Congratulations to all the children who have received awards this week. Well done everyone!

Willow Class

Charlie - for always being so kind
Brodie - for his lovely singing and enthusiasm in the nativity
Harley - for a great improvement in his reading
David - for fantastic 3D shape recognition

Chestnut Class

Zainab - for working super hard on spellings
Magnus - brilliant work in phonics
Archie - brilliant work in phonics
Teddy - excellent maths work

Oak Class

Logan M - showing excellent improvement in maths, particularly times tables
Libby P - for showing an excellent attitude to learning
Emily S - for working extremely hard in English all week

Hazel Class

Elliot - for your perseverance and efforts in maths - well done
Joni - putting so much effort in maths and never giving up
Tommy - for your breakthrough with your handwriting - very proud of you!
Nancy - always trying your best and pushing yourself with crafting - well done!

Bronze Awards - 25 Housepoints

Esme C / James F / Dorothy / Harley / David V / Isla A / Isla H / Amelia B / Max L

Important notes and reminders



- ❖ **Parking** - Can parents please use the village hall for parking and turning around when dropping and collecting children. Please do not use private driveways - be mindful of our nearby community. **Breakfast club** is available from 8am - You do not need to book in advance.
- ❖ **Shepherd's Delight** - Will resume in the new year. Every Wednesday 15:15/15:30 - 16:30 KS1/KS2 - **The Club is now full** - If you would like to join the waiting list, please email Office@yelvertoft.school
- ❖ School still has cases of Chicken Pox, although this appears to be finally slowing down. As before, please follow the recommendations from NHS. **Also remember to call the school asap if your child is unwell.**
- ❖ If you are interested in volunteering in school this year either in a classroom or in the library or with general jobs around the school, please do let me know so that we can then make arrangements.
- ❖ Two excellent events from our super Rev Jo. S.A.I.L 9th December 3-4pm, and an Outdoor Crib Service 16th December. Further information will be sent via School Jotter.

House Points

STANFORD 439

HOLLOWELL 422

RAVENSTHORPE 553

NASEBY 475

Wellbeing - School Counsellor

We do have a trained school counsellor in the school who will be providing an amazing counselling service offering mental health support to staff and pupils. This is being provided by Miss Shaw. Childhood and adolescence can be a very difficult and confusing time and pupils may be struggling with their emotions which can have a negative effect on their mood, school, and home life. Talking things through with a trained therapist can help them to make sense of themselves and what is going on for them so that things can feel more manageable.



Miss Shaw is spending time with each class during lunchtime both in the classroom and in the playground.

School Governors

Have you ever thought of joining our governing body?

We are currently looking for a new parent governor as well as a co-opted governor, which can be a member of the local community who does not need to be related to a pupil at the school.

If you are interested, please do email me to find out more head@yelvertoft.northants-ecl.gov.uk or speak to Paul Starkey who is our current chair of governors

YELVERTOFT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Dear Parents,

Firstly, I just wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone that has attended and supported our Christmas Fayre and raffle this year. Our PTA & school raised a massive £2078.78, which is our biggest achievement for a Christmas Fayre ever. We hope you all had a lovely time.

Another massive thank you to Mrs Servent and our fantastic teachers who stayed in their own time to help with the whole event, our PTA helpers who did a fantastic job of setting up, Santa who gave us a special visit, Nigel for giving up his spare time once again so we could all enjoy some Christmas music and all of the donations we received from local businesses.

Our PTA will be looking in the New Year to buy some much needed equipment for school and I will let everybody know when and what we manage to purchase.

If you would like to join our PTA please get in touch at: pta_yelvertoftschoolassociation@yahoo.com We are always looking for new members to join no matter how much time you can give, any help is much appreciated. Your also welcome to use the above email address for any questions or problems.

Thank you for your continued support and for helping us with achieving our goals.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Katie

Dates for the term

Monday 11 th December	09:30	➤ Dress Rehearsal Christmas Concert in hall - pre-school children and village friends welcome
Tuesday 12 th December	AM	➤ Whole school trip - Panto - the children will be back in school at 1.15pm for their lunch
Wednesday 13 th December	18:00	➤ KS1 Christmas Concert
Thursday 14 th December	18:00	➤ KS1 Christmas Concert ➤ No Hotshots this week due to the performance
Friday 15 th December	All Day	➤ Christmas lunch - children can wear their Christmas jumpers today too!
Monday 18 th December	10:30	➤ Christingle assembly - parents welcome
Tuesday 19 th December	14:45	➤ Christmas Songs in hall sung by KS2 - All welcome including village friends and pre-school siblings
Wednesday 20 th December	14:30	➤ Carols in the playground - All Welcome ➤ Term Ends

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