

Grosvenor Park C of E Academy Newsletter

'A voice for every child'

Luke 10:25-27 - The Parable of The Good Samaritan



Dear parents and carers,

17th December 2021

The end of term has arrived and thankfully any Covid related disruption has been minimised due to the efforts of all in our community. We are still living through unprecedented times but every day I witness our children continue to flourish and blossom. I do feel privileged to be a part of it all and I am looking forward to building on our achievements in the New Year.



It has been a festive final week of term in school. Across, the school the children have had the opportunity to design and make a selection of Christmas crafts and cards. Also, this week all in school enjoyed our first 'home cooked' Christmas dinner. A huge thank you to the team in the kitchen who prepared a delicious meal – it was a triumph. During the week the final touches were put to our Christmas performances before they were recorded. The children enjoyed the whole process, thank you for providing the wonderful costumes. I hope you can find time over the festive period to enjoy the various performances which are available to view on the GP Youtube channel from 7pm tonight.

- EYFS – [The Nativity](#)
- KS1 (Mayfair/Halkyn) – [Christmas Counts](#)
- LKS2 (Eaton/ Westminster) – [Lights, Camel, Action](#)
- UKS2 (Abbeystead/Reay) – [9 Lessons and Carols](#)

Staffing Update

Some of you may be aware that Mrs. Craft is in the process of training to become a teacher. As part of her professional development, she is required to teach in a variety of settings. For the first month of the Spring Term, she will be based at NWAT Weaverham Academy. We wish her success and look forward to welcoming her back in February. Plans are in place to ensure there is minimal disruption to Halkyn class while she is away.

Due to a well-deserved promotion Mr. Tomsett will be leaving GP early in the New Year. He will be missed as he has become an integral part of the team. A recruitment process is underway to find a new member of the team.



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Get your applications in for a place in Reception!

Deadline: 15th January (for September 2022 school starters)

If you have a child, including siblings, due to start school in September 2022 the closing date for school admissions is **Saturday 15th January 2022**. Any applications are made via the link.

[CWAC School Admissions](#)

Covid Update – Introduction of Daily Testing

You may be aware that there has been a change to guidance for contacts of Covid. Please note the statement below issued by the DfE

‘From 14 December, a new national approach to daily testing for contacts of COVID-19 has been introduced. All adults who are fully vaccinated and children aged 5 to 18 years and 6 months, identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 – whether Omicron or not – should take an LFD test every day for 7 days instead of self-isolating. Children under five years old do not need to take part in daily testing for contacts of COVID-19 and do not need to isolate’ DfE 15th December 2021



PTFA Festive Update

Christmas Sweet Cup and Raffle

Thank you to everyone who took part in our festive sweet cup decorating and wonderful Christmas raffle. We've raised a grand total of £644 for school which is brilliant, and we couldn't have done it without you!

Raffle winners are:

Class Hampers

Roman Y4, Caitlin Y1, Mrs Foulkes, Cerys Y5, Emelia Y3, Anya Rose Y3/Y6, Emian R

La Fattoria voucher - Franny Y1, Chockloes - Anita Y5, Prosecco – K Roberts, Chocolates – Wyatt, Cards – Ana, Entertainer Voucher – Meryem Y6, MOT – C Brown, Photoshoot – C Ashbrook, Signed Stoke football shirt – Mattie Y5, Lion Salt Works vouchers – Abi Y5, Raphiel, Adam Dandy.



Other prizes

Orla, Nazuwan, Matt, Seb Y2, Amelia Y4, Jagger Y1, Vera Y4, Anita, Jennifer, Lyra, Gemma Matthews

A huge thank you to Mr Clark and all the GPA teachers and staff for their support in running these events, and for all their hard work on the fun, festive activities and performances which have been going on in classes on top of all the usual teaching.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, from the PTFA



I truly hope that our return in January will be disruption free. However, we all know from living through the pandemic that events and directives change often at very short notice. Whatever happens, please rest assured that as a team we are ready. I will keep you informed if there are any significant changes to our planned return date **Tuesday 4th January 2022**.

On behalf of Team GP, thank you for all your support and partnership. We wish you all a safe, happy, and relaxing family Christmas.

R. Clark
Head of School