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Dates for your Diary

November
Wednesday 11th – Year 1 DSSN Sports Event
Wednesday 11th Parent Consultations
Thursday 12th Parent Consultations
Thursday 12th Year 3 and Year 6 Bible Giving
Friday 13th Children in Need
Wednesday 18th Acorns Parents Phonics Meeting 2.45pm
Thursday 26th – Flu Vaccination Catch up

December
Friday 4th – Occasional Day SCHOOL CLOSED
Wednesday 9th – Christmas Dinner, Jumper and Pantomime Day
Thursday 10th – KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal @ 9.30am children welcome
Thursday 10th – KS1 Nativity @ 2.00pm
Friday 11th – KS1 Nativity @ 2.00pm
Monday 14th – Rock Steady @ 10.00am
Wednesday 16th – Christmas Fayre 15.30 – 17.30
Friday 18th – Last Day of Term School closes at 13.15

Dear Parents and Carers,

Chidren in Need

Friday 13th November is Children in Need. Children are welcome to come to school dressed in their Pyjamas for a donation of £1.00.

Times Tables – Rock Stars

Please be aware of some changes to **Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)**, which will come into effect from **Tuesday 24th November 2026**.

New digital wellbeing settings are being introduced to help children manage their screen time and encourage a healthy balance when using the platform. The new default settings will be:

- **Login times:** Children will only be able to access Times Tables Rock Stars between **7am and 8pm**.
- **Daily play limit:** Children will have a maximum of **20 minutes of game time outside school hours** each day. This includes before and after school, weekends and school holidays.
- **Homework:** If a child has a homework session to complete, their daily play allowance will automatically be extended to allow them to finish it. The 8pm curfew will still apply.
- **Leaderboards:** Class and school leaderboards will be switched off. This will not affect Battle of the Bands or Top of the Rocks competitions.

Year 1 DSSN Event

On Wednesday during the school day, year 1 will be attending DSSN event at Everyone Active, Berkhamsted. Children will need to be in PE kit and have with them their water bottle.

For all local sporting events during the school day, they are part of our PE Curriculum and their attendance is not optional.

Christmas Fayre

In support of our Christmas Fayre, there will be a trolley on the playground next week for donations.
This could include:
Bottles for the bottle tombola
Chocolates
Sweets
Teddies

Thank you very much for your support in fundraising. All monies raised from the fayre will be used to enrich your child's school experience.

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WhatsApp

We are asking all families to take a few moments to check your child's mobile phone and messaging apps such as WhatsApp. Please review who they are chatting with, check group chat settings (to restrict who can add them to groups), and have an open conversation about safe online behaviour and acting appropriately and respectfully to their peers.

Walking Home Alone

Due to the darker evenings, after half term if attending club, the children in Year 5 & 6 need to be collected from school. Children with permission walk to home may still do so at 3.15pm.

Acorns Parents Phonics Meeting

On Wednesday 18th November 2026 @ 2.45pm there will be a Phonics Meeting for Acorns Parents. We look forward to seeing you there.

Parent Consultations

Parent Consulations are **Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th November.** These are now available to book on the Arbor parent App. **The booking system for these close at 9.30am the day before the consultations.**

Headteacher Surgeries

The Headteacher's Surgery offers parents and carers an opportunity to meet with myself and another member of my team to discuss your child's education and experience of school. Whatever the reason, a surgery slot will give you time to talk effectively about issues that are important to you.

I want to work closely with parents and carers to create a well ordered, caring environment where all our children are happy, secure and reach their full potential.

Headteacher's surgeries will take place on a Thursday afternoon. Parents and carers can attend at any time between 2.00 - 4.30pm, however an appointment must be confirmed in advance. If would like to arrange a meeting, please contact the school office.

Pantomime time – Wednesday 9th December

We are pleased to confirm that they have secured a special price for a performance of "Dick Whittington" here at school on the afternoon of Wednesday 9th December. This is always an enjoyable and festive day at school for the children combined with school Christmas Lunch.

Usually, the price of a pantomime ticket is £19-£25 but subsidised priced tickets can be bought from the PTA for your child at just £4.00 each using your Arbor account (Trips). Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate the children in Pips class, unless they are here for 30 hours or normally attend the afternoon.
Children are welcome to wear their Christmas Jumpers for this festive day in school.

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Attendance

This week's attendance is 93.34% and we have an all-time low daily attendance of 89.1% today. Let's work together to raise these for next week.

The children who have been in school all week and on time and have been drawn as these weeks in it to Win it Winners, are;

Nursery Rosie
Reception Hector
Year 1 Ivy
Year 2 Nathan
Year 3 Elizabeth
Year 4 Theo
Year 5 Jess
Year 6 Harrison

This half term, we will continue working on celebrating good attendance as a whole class as well as individually. The classes who achieve 96% over the half term, will receive a whole class reward.

Class	***%***
The Nest	*79.9%*
Blossom	*82.7%*
Pips	*98%*
Acorns	*90.7%*
Cherry	*96.3%*
Beech	*90.%*
Maple	*95.3%*
Willow	*90.8%*
Rowan	*97.3%*
Oak	*93%*

Warm Wishes,

Mrs G Dalton
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