



GHS NEWS



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Christian Value

Perseverance and Peace

'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid' John 14:27

Creating Christmas Day

The children are really enjoying Creating Christmas Day today. They have been very busy making cards, Christmas decorations and of course listening to some festive music! Thank you to all our parent helpers who have joined us today to help. We are very grateful that so many of you took the time to help us prepare for Christmas!

A reminder that our Dressing the Tree Service is at **2:30pm today in the hall**. Parents are welcome to join us for this special service to celebrate the start of the Christmas season in school.

Christmas Film Night

A reminder that we are running our Christmas Film Night on Tuesday 13th December and we are hoping that lots of the children will want to join us for this fun Christmas event. The film night will run straight after school and we will be watching the film Nativity (U). Children will also be given a snack during the film. The cost of this event is £3 and all proceeds will go towards the school wifi fund. If you would like your child to attend then please sign up and pay via ParentMail or send cash into the office in an envelope clearly labelled with your child's name and 'Christmas Film Night'.

KS1 Christmas Nativity

This KS1 Christmas Nativity performances will be on Thursday 8th December at 2pm and 6pm. Each family will be allocated two tickets for each performance but there are some spares available if needed. If you do not need a ticket please let the office know so we can allocate it to someone else. You will receive a letter early next week with further information.

Christingle Service

You are warmly invited to join us for our Christingle Service on Friday at 9th December at 2:30. This is the first year that we have held this special worship and we hope that it will be a lovely service. It will be led by our Year 5 class.

Lateness

We have been monitoring the number of children arriving to school late and unfortunately the number seems to be creeping up again. There have been 24 instances of children arriving late to school this week. It is really important that children arrive at school on time as being late can disrupt not only their learning but that of the other children in their class. We would really appreciate your support in ensuring that your children arrive on time ready to start the school day at 8:40am. We will continue to monitor the number of children arriving late over the next few weeks.

Attendance

You may have received a letter this week about our child's attendance if it has dropped under 90% this term. We understand that there are often extenuating circumstances for absence from school but we are legally required to inform parents of their child's attendance figures if they become a cause of concern. Thank you for your understanding.

Illness Policy

A reminder that children need to remain off school for 48 hours after the last incidence of diarrhoea or vomiting. This is an important rule to prevent sickness bugs spreading to other children and staff. This is in line with Public Health England guidelines. If your child has another type of illness please contact the office for guidance on how long they should be off school. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

PTA Christmas Bazaar

A reminder that the PTA will be holding their annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday from 12-2pm. We hope that many of you will be able to come along and join us.

Lost Property

Mrs Shaw has some unnamed items of clothing which need to be claimed! If your child has lost anything please feel free to come into school and have a look through the lost property items. Anything that is unclaimed by Christmas will be recycled.

House Points	
Barley Hill	1403
Holywell	1370
Wood Pond	1382
Manor	1389

Due to Creating Christmas Day we are not giving out certificates today. The next certificates will be awarded on 16th December and we will also be giving out our Values Wristbands on this date.

What's on next week from Monday 5th December

Morning Club runs every day from 7:45—8:45. After School clubs can be booked as a course via ParentMail or on the day by contacting the office. Sessions are £2.50 per child

Monday

- Football Club 3:15-4:15pm
- Beading Club 3:15-4:15pm

Tuesday

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- Racquet Club 3:15-4:15pm

Wednesday

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- Fencing Club 3:15-4:15pm
 - BAPPEG Girl's Football 4:30pm

Thursday

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- KS1 Nativity 2pm
 - Tag Rugby Club 3:15-4:15pm
 - Art Club 3:15-4:30pm
 - KS1 Nativity 6pm

Friday

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- Christingle Service 2:30pm
 - Multi Skills Club 3:15-4:15pm

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