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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your great generosity with the Rainbow Raffle prizes on Friday, the raffle will have an amazing array of prizes, please buy some tickets at the Christmas Fayre on Friday 22nd November to win your gifts back!

**Christingle Service – St Peters Church on Sunday 1st December at 4.30pm**

Families are warmly invited to this special interactive service. A lovely way to start Advent and the Christmas season. It has been arranged in support of the Children’s Society, see flyer attached.

**Read-Easy**

The local Read-Easy group are a lovely organisation who support adults to improve their reading skills. Please mention this to anyone you know who could benefit from this. They have produced some videos on the link below:

<https://youtu.be/0M5ZWlWRD9Y?si=Fwb4pU2ZqMbLDn8e>

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| [YouTube](https://youtu.be/0M5ZWlWRD9Y?si=Fwb4pU2ZqMbLDn8e)  Share your videos with friends, family, and the world  youtu.be |

**Anxiety Workshop from the Mental Health Support Team in the School Hall – Monday 18th November at 2pm**

If your child has any issues with anxiety (which many children do), this will be a great way to learn how best to support them. Please see the attached information. You don’t need to book for this session, just come along to the school office just before 2pm.

**Nativity Performances**

Year 1 and 2 will present their Nativity play on Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th December at 2pm, with families allocated 2 tickets for each performance initially.

Reception will have their performance on Monday 16th December at 2pm, with 4 tickets available for each family in the initial week of sales.

Tickets will go on sale at £1 per ticket from Tuesday 19th November.

**PTFA Christmas Events**

Our lovely PTFA will be organising the Christmas Fair on Friday 22nd November at 3.15pm. Please come along, help on a stall for a bit and bring your families and friends.

On 27th November they will have a stall and a steam engine at the Christmas late night shopping and Christmas lights event in Shaftesbury.

6th December is the Christmas Wreath making evening, there are two spaces available for this popular evening.

12th December will be ‘Breakfast with Santa’ in the School Hall during the morning (classes all meeting Santa and having a drink and snack). This is a free event to ensure all the children get to meet Santa.

18th December is our Christmas Party Day. More details to follow. PTFA have already booked entertainment for the afternoon.

What a fabulous effort from our brilliant PTFA!

**Forest School – Wednesday afternoons**

Reception class continue their sessions this Wednesday, followed by Year 5 next week. Every class will have three weeks, then some more weeks later in the year.

Children need to have trousers and long-sleeved tops, wellies and a **waterproof coat** (with overtrousers if they have them). The Forest School philosophy is to wear the right clothing to go out in all weathers.

Michael Salisbury, Head teacher

**TERM DATES 2024 – 2025**

**Autumn Term**

**INSET DAY                                                      Tuesday 3rd September 2024**

Children start back                                       Wednesday 4th September 2024

Autumn Half Term                                        Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November 2024

**INSET DAY                                                      Monday 4th November 2024**

Autumn Term ends                                      Thursday 19th December 2024

**INSET DAY                                                      Friday 20th December 2024**

Christmas Holidays                                       Monday 23rd December 2024 – Friday 3rd January 2025

**Spring Term**

Schools due to start back                           Monday 6th January 2025

Spring half term                                            Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025

Spring Term ends                                         Friday 4th April 2025

Easter holidays                                              Monday 7th April to Monday 21st April 2025

**Summer Term**

Schools due to start back                            Tuesday 22nd April 2025

MAY DAY Bank Holiday                                 Monday 5th May 2025

Summer half term                                          Monday 26th May to Friday 30st May 2025

**INSET DAY                                                       Monday 2nd June 2025**

Summer Term ends                                       Tuesday 22nd July 2025

**INSET DAY                                                       Wednesday 23rd July 2025**