

10th January 2025

Dear parents and carers,



Happy New Year and welcome back to the spring term! I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas.

We are looking forward to the spring term and hoping the weather will warm up, however exciting it was to see it snow in the last few days! The children have returned very well from

the Christmas break with lots of news about their lovely presents.

Our week started with an Epiphany assembly, celebrating the Wise Men's visit to Jesus. We talked about the special gifts they gave to Jesus. We also discussed the gifts we have been given by God and how we can use them to fulfil our new year goals. You may have also noticed a chalked sign above the class doors **20+C+M+B+25**. This is an Epiphany blessing which reminds us of the Wise Men's visit but also warmly welcomes anyone who comes to or visits Puttenham School.

The children have been very excited to learn about their new topics this term. Please see the attached class letter and curriculum overview for the spring term. These are very useful to help you support your child's learning. They will also be available on ClassDojo and our school website under the curriculum/class pages tab <a href="https://www.puttenhamschool.co.uk/class-pages/">https://www.puttenhamschool.co.uk/class-pages/</a>.

# **Dates for your diary**

Please see the 'key dates for your diaries' box for this term for key events such as parent/teacher meetings and Easter events.

Have a lovely weekend, Miss De Filippis



# Headteacher's awards and house points Stars of the week



Hedgehog class: Theo and Ray

Rabbit class: Jessie and Arabella

Fox class: Ben and Kevin

Values award: Otis for Wisdom

Lunchtime stars: Ottilie and Peter

House points: Rabbit class

Well done to you all!

### **KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES**

## **HALF TERM**

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February

## **INSET DAY**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February

COME & SEE MY LEARNING FOLLOWED BY

**MOTHER'S DAY ASSEMBLY** 

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 8.45am

## PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 3.15pm – 6.00pm

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 4.00pm – 7.00pm

**EASTER CHURCH SERVICE** Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 9.15am

BREAK UP FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS

Friday 4th April 1.00pm

## **RECEPTION & YEAR 3 SCHOOL APPLICATIONS**

Please remember to apply for your reception and junior school place. The deadline for applications is **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025** <a href="https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions">https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions</a>

### **RETHINK WASTE**

We have some fantastic news - our school has been accepted onto the Rethink Waste Donations Scheme run by the Surrey Environment Partnership Rethink waste initiative!

The money donated to Puttenham School will enhance our outdoor learning and Forest School facilities. The scheme works via an interactive digital platform that all Surrey residents can sign up to (see below for details and attached flyer). Once registered, Surrey residents can earn points by pledging, taking a quiz or watching a film. Residents then spend points in several ways including donating points to charities or local schools and entering prize draws. The new school donation scheme will run until 31 March 2025.

So please sign up and start donating if you can - thank you!

Mrs Shaw (Forest School Leader)



Simply scan the QR code to register and donate points to our school







 Urgent Request for Help -Hedgehog & Rabbit Class

Library Helpers Needed ASAP

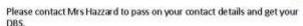
The school library desperately needs volunteers to help the magic of reading continue to thrive at Puttenham School!

It's very flexible - just 2 hours on one, two or even three Fridays a term if you can! Usually arriving around 12:50pm and finishing by 2:50pm.

Each class visit the library in small groups, select a new book and the school simply ask their volunteers to scan them in and out - it's that simple plus your little one gets to say hello to you - what's not to love!

A DBS check is required however Puttenham school are happy to arrange this for those who can volunteer.

If you can spare a little time - please sign up ASAP! We currently have 11 helpers of which 9 are parents from Fox Class and will be leaving us shortly.



Pop into the Office or call Wendy on 01483 810317



If you are unable to attend the sale and need some uniform, please contact Sophie Southwood <a href="mailto:sophiesouthwood@yahoo.com">sophiesouthwood@yahoo.com</a> and she will arrange for it to be put in your child's book bag or on their peg.