

The 4 Bees Newsletter

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A Cracking Good Christmas Lunch!



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Bee Kind Winners



Reception— Amelia
Year 1— Alex
Year 2— Lily
Year 3— Rilin
Year 4— Ivy
Year 5— Chris
Year 6— Isla

Headteacher's Awards

Reception Ella
Year 1 Ollie
Year 2 Leon
Year 3 Ella
Year 4 Melanie
Year 5 Emily
Year 6 George

Today we enjoyed a truly wonderful Christmas Lunch cooked by Mrs Morgan who excelled herself with a delicious festive feast! The children loved sitting with staff to share their meal together, creating a warm sense of belonging that lies at the heart of our school values. The children enjoyed pulling crackers, wearing their hats and playing with the goodies inside them! It was such a joyful occasion which everyone thoroughly enjoyed.



As this is our last newsletter of the term the staff team would like to wish you all a very happy holiday and a wonderful Christmas (to those who celebrate it). We look forward to seeing many of you tomorrow at 9.05am for our final Celebration Worship! **We have a treat in store as the Singing Club will be performing a couple of songs for you.** Please come and join us at 8.45am for a chat and a tea/coffee, you are very welcome.

Mrs Vessey

A fond farewell to Reverend Colin

We are very sad to let you know that Reverend Colin is moving parish and will sadly no longer be working with the school— we thank him for being such a wonderful Reverend and wish him well—he will be hugely missed.



Santa Dash Fun!

The children had a wonderful time taking part in today's Santa Dash, raising money for a new school sports kit for away games and tournaments organised by Mrs Burton. To the children's delight, Mrs Burton and Mrs Williams appeared in giant Santa outfits, joined by a host of huge Christmas inflatables spread across the field for them to dash around. With festive tunes playing and plenty of laughter, the children had a whale of a time running laps around the field and playground. Thank you for your support — and just a gentle reminder that sponsorship is entirely voluntary, as we know this is an expensive time of year. If your child has been sponsored, please send any contributions into school by the end of next week. A big thank you to Mrs Burton for all her hard work and making it such a fun event!





Attendance Matters

Reception	95.31%
Year 1	87.47%
Year 2	97.02%
Year 3	96.55%
Year 4	95.4%
Year 5	92.86%
Year 6	96.31%

We are pleased to announce our average attendance this year to date as 94% which is in line with national. **The year group with the highest attendance this term is Year 2 who will enjoy a hot chocolate and biscuits playtime—well done Year 2!**

KS2 SATs Results

After the recent data-checking process, the final validated KS2 SATs results for our school are now confirmed. These outcomes give us a clear understanding of overall attainment across Reading, Writing, Maths, and Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling. We are proud of the progress our pupils have made and will use this information to continue improving teaching and learning within our school.

	Expected Level for age	Expected Level National Average	Above expected level for age
Reading	91%	75%	0%
Writing	82%	72%	18%
GPS	73%	73%	9%
Maths	73%	74%	9%
Combined RWM	64%	Combined National:	

Diary Dates—Autumn Term

KS1/Reception Nativity: Monday 15th December 2.00pm - Dress Rehearsal (parents and younger children welcome) Tuesday 16th December 5.00pm Evening Performance

Whole School Trip to Pantomime— Wednesday 17th December (pm)

Last day of term—Friday 19th December (non-school uniform day for all those in Earth House)

Spring term starts: Monday 5th January 2026

PTA Xmas Fair

The PTA did us proud on Friday with their annual Christmas Fair! It was great fun with lots of stalls, fantastic raffle prizes and the presence of Father Christmas who interrupted his busy schedule to come to Birchanger. A big thank you goes to our wonderful PTA for their fantastic organisation and huge efforts and to parents for supporting the event.

They raised a whopping £600 for the school!!

Scores on the Doors

	Weekly	Termly
Water	109	1703
Earth	97	2035
Air	78	2025
Fire	122	1698

A very well done to Earth who are our termly winners and have earned a non-school uniform day on our last day!



Please come and help yourself to free Pret-A-Manger sandwiches and treats, provided by Touchpoint, at 5.45pm tonight.