



VERWOOD C E FIRST SCHOOL & NURSERY

NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term

Friday 24th November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

It is that time of year that we are starting to prepare for our Christmas celebrations. I can hear children practising christmas songs and getting very excited about spreading Christmas joy. Each base will have their moment to shine which I hope you will enjoy very much.

This week we have also shared our festive bedtime story booking. We would love as many children as possible to come back to school for a fun evening of festive story telling. Adults are welcome to come into the hall during this time for refreshments. Please ensure you book in so we can be prepared.

This week I have heard about the wonderful learning in Ash base. They have shown our learning values of being resourceful and resilient as they have learnt about people in the past such as Boudicca. They have loved their learning experience about Romans and this enthusiasm and enjoyment has shone in their learning. Superb work Ash Base!

The weather has certainly turned now so please remember to send children into school with coats, as we always try and take children outside to play if we can.

Have a lovely weekend.

Katharine Anstey
Executive Headteacher

Children Celebrated in Praise Worship

	Nursery	Oak Base	Sycamore Base	Beech Base	Willow Base	Ash Base
Headteacher's Award	Chloe W	Stephen R Astrid M	Rocco G Eli W	Leo S Margo H	Malachi MD Millie G	Harrison T Elizabeth T
Fruit of the spirit Award	Manu G	Mason W Ollie D	Nyla S Harvey W	Darcey S Kaden S	Tommy L Elsie P	Tom Q Chloe B

This week's attendance

Attendance

Thank you for your support in ensuring your child's attendance in school and being on time every day. Good attendance in school is a top priority and our expectation is that pupils attend school every day for every session.

Oak Base	96.63%
Sycamore Base	95.65%
Beech Base	95.65%
Willow Base	94.34%
Ash Base	94.85%

Campus Car Park Gate Monitor

An opportunity has arisen for a campus gate monitor, start of the day, 8.00am to 8.45am and end of the day, 2.30pm to 3.30pm. Please can you contact Rachel Long through the school office for further details on 01202 822652, alternatively email on rlong@verwoodfirstschool.org

Bike Trailer

There is a bike child trailer in the playground bike racks, please can you let the school office know by Wednesday next week if this belongs to you. The school can make use of this, therefore if it is not claimed we will assume that this has been donated to us.

Poppy Appeal

We are delighted to inform you that Verwood First School and Nursery raised a grand total of £339.32 for the Poppy Appeal. Thank you all so much for your support.



POPPY APPEAL
VERWOOD FIRST SCHOOL
Thank you very much for helping
with our Appeal.

£ 339.32
was collected by you.

Without your help, we would be unable to
continue our vital welfare and benevolent work.

Yours sincerely

Local Honorary Organiser

District Total (if available) £ 12,036.94

Registered Charity No. 219279

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS CHURCH



Angel Festival

Saturday 2nd December

10am -3.30pm

Angel themed refreshments available
and of course mulled wine.

We are holding a Festival of Angels this Advent

This involves making angels of all different kinds and varieties to fill St Michael's with a heavenly host. Angels to be dropped off at church or the Parish Office by Sunday 26th November

For further information please contact the Parish Office
stmichaelsverwood@gmail.com

The Angels will remain in church until Epiphany, if you would like to keep your angels after this please collect them from church. Remaining Angels will either be kept for future events and fundraising or recycled.

This Certificate has been awarded to Verwood CofE First School and Nursery

in recognition of their participation in the design-your-own
School Christmas Card Project 2023.


The school raised a total of

£168.13

Well done to all the children for their fantastic and creative work!



Signed on behalf of School Christmas Card Project

 www.schoolprintworld.co.uk



"Christmas is Coming!"

Reminder on our upcoming festivities - all information on tickets and events is available through ParentMail

Christmas Performances in School Hall

Tuesday 5th December	Nursery, Oak and Sycamore at 9.30 (Doors open at 9.00am)
Wednesday 6th December	Nursery, Oak and Sycamore at 1.45pm (Doors open at 1.30pm)
Thursday 7th December	Nursery, Oak and Sycamore at 9.30 (Doors open at 9.00am)
Thursday 7th December	Beech and Willow - 2.00pm (Doors open at 1.45pm)
Friday 8th December	Beech and Willow - 9.15am (Doors open at 8.45am)

Christmas Performance at St Michael's Church

Thursday 7th December	Ash Base (Year 4) starting at 9.30am <i>(please bring children into school as usual and we look forward to seeing parents/carers at the Church)</i>
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Festive Bedtime Story

Children are invited to attend our Festive Bedtime Story event on Tuesday 12th December, 4.30pm to 5.30pm. Children will be able to come back into school to enjoy a different story in each base read to them by teachers. Children will move around each base enjoying the story and they will be treated to a hot chocolate.

While this event is taking place, we are excited to invite parents/carers to the school hall to enjoy festive music and refreshments. We look forward to seeing as many of you that can make it. This is optional as parents/carers can leave and collect children from their base at 5.30pm if they are not able to join us in the school hall.

Christmas Party Day

Wednesday 13th December	Non-School Uniform (party clothes welcome) Christmas School Lunch Children will enjoy festive activities during the day
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Christingle Service

Thursday 14th December	Service held at St. Michael's Church at 9.30am
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Please bring children into school as usual and we look forward to seeing parents/carers at the Church. If you are able to help with walking children to the Church, please contact the school office. (We please ask that no toddlers or prams walk with us to the church to support a safe walk)