



What a fabulously busy week we have had! The Nativity and Reception Christmas plays were, as ever, a delight to watch. Our young performers coped with challenging lines, actions and collective performing and were rightly treated to a very significant round of applause and praise. Our youngest pupils delighted staff and parents alike at their singalong and true to form, the Treetops staff worked extremely well and ensured that pupils and parents had a wonderful experience. This great foundation of public performance was further evidenced by our Carol Service on Tuesday. The Lower School and Upper School pupils sang, recited and read exceptionally well, moving seamlessly from one element to the next, which enabled all present to really be lifted into the Christmas spirit. I took great pleasure in congratulating the staff on a job very well done. An email from a parent summed it up beautifully: *"We would also like to say how spectacular we thought tonight's Christmas Carol concert was! The standard of the children's singing, reading, instrument performance and behaviour was at an all-time high. Thank you to all your staff for their hard work that made this possible. Mrs Sutton and team have surpassed themselves!"*

The Christmas Fair was another triumph and I have written to Mrs McCullagh and the team to say a very sincere well done from us all. The children and visiting families had a very enjoyable time and the opportunity to decorate gingerbread men with Mrs Christmas before seeing Father Christmas himself was a significant hit! Once again, thanks to all involved and as ever to the PA Team who have steered the ship so excellently this term.

Next week we have EKG, KG and Nursery visiting Springtime Nursery to meet Father Christmas, Reception to Year 6 down to Hertford Theatre for the panto (oh yes they are) plus our Christmas lunch on the final day, Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>. In addition, our Harmony Choir will be performing at Hanbury Manor and the Senior Choir will be visiting the residents of Bentley House to sing some well-known carols and some modern classics too. We wish them a very enjoyable experience as they share their sound.

This is the last newsletter of this term and so I would like to wish you a very Happy Christmas and New Year.

Mr Phelan.

## Well done to this week's Lower School Stars of the Week



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### Diary Dates

**Monday 10th December** - Harmony Choir to Hanbury Manor. 6pm start.

**Tuesday 11th December** - EKG, KG and Nursery Trip to Springtime Nursery.

Non-uniform day for Woburn House.

Senior Choir to Bentley House, Hertford. 2pm start.

**Wednesday 12th December** - Reception to Year 6 to Pantomime at Hertford Theatre.

Treetops Disco.

No After School Clubs due to the pantomime.

**Thursday 13th December** - Last day of term.

Treetops and Years 1-3 finish at 2.45 pm,

Years 4 - 6 finish at 3.00pm.

**Please note that no after school clubs will take place on either the 12th or 13th December, but after school care will be available. Please let the School Office know if you need care.**

### Looking Forward

**Monday 7th January** - Spring Term commences.

**Tuesday 8th January** - Toddler Group resumes.

Swimming for Year 4 resumes.

**Thursday 10th January** - Speech and Drama resumes.

**Friday 11th January** - Swimming resumes for Years 2 & 3.

### The Winning House is Woburn!

We are pleased to inform you that **Woburn** are the winning house this term. This means that any child in Woburn House can wear their House colours of yellow to school on Tuesday 11th December. They do not have to be completely dressed in yellow, but should wear enough to identify them as true members of the Woburn community. Thank you. *Miss Sands.*

### Duncombe Christmas Postal Service

Please be aware that the Duncombe Christmas Postal Service will close on Tuesday 11th December.



### Nursery perform Whoops a Daisy Angel

The Nursery children put on a stellar performance this week. The enthusiasm and joy they showed whilst performing was utterly infectious and the audience for both performances were treated to a fabulous display of singing, acting and dancing. We were incredibly proud of them all. Well done Nursery!

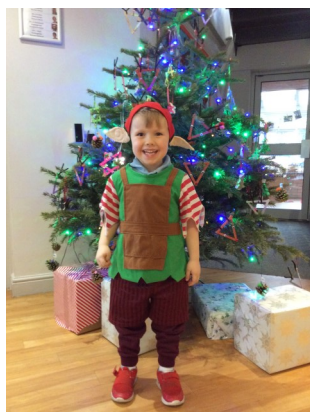
*Mrs Copeman and Miss Lewis.*



### Reception perform Mary's Knitting

Reception Apple and Reception Oak performed their Nativity play today with lots of enthusiasm and energy. Their teachers and parents were very impressed with their beautiful singing and speaking voices. Well done Reception, we are very proud of you!

*Miss Ord and Miss Flowers.*



### Early Kindergarten Singalong

Well Done to the children in Early Kindergarten for taking part in their class Christmas singalong on Monday. They all looked great in their costumes and sang the songs beautifully. We would also like to take the opportunity to say a really big thank you to all the parents for coming along and making it a lovely afternoon. Wishing you all a lovely Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

*Miss Kavanagh, Miss Sawyer and Mrs Mack.*



### Pantomime - Wednesday 12th December

Reception to Year 6 pupils are looking forward to going to the pantomime on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December to see Pinocchio. We would like to make you aware that the children will be back at school between 4.15pm and 4.30pm for a late dismissal due to the finish time of the pantomime. As the whole school (Reception to Year 6) will be returning at the same time parking may be difficult on site so we would ask you park considerately in the local area.

Due to the later return time, we **will not be running any after school clubs**, however after school care will still be available. Unless we hear otherwise we will assume all children booked in to clubs will require after school care as normal.

### Lost

Named coat belonging to James Willoughby.

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**Warren Restaurant Menu for the week commencing 10th December 2018**

*Monday*

**The Soup Kettle**  
Seasonal soup with 50/50 homemade bread

**Tasty Entrée**  
Peperoni Pizza

**Flexitarian**  
Margarita Pizza

**Pasta Bar**  
Tomato and Basil

**On the side**  
Potato Wedges  
Coleslaw

**Tasty puds**  
Cherry Topped  
Greek Yogurt

*TUESDAY*

**The Soup Kettle**  
Seasonal soup with 50/50 homemade bread

**Tasty entrée**  
**Beef Chili Rice And Nachos**

**Flexitarian**  
Vegetable Bolognese and Spaghetti

**Jacket Potato Bar**  
Tuna mayonnaise

**On the side**  
Sweetcorn and Curly Kale

**Tasty puds**  
Oaty Apple Cake (reduced Sugar)

*thursday*

**Christmas Dinner**

Roast Turkey  
Pigs In Blankets  
Sausage Meat stuffing

Roasted vegetable with Cranberries and Feta Parcels (V)

Roast Honey Glazed Carrots and Parsnips  
Roast Potatoes  
Brussel Sprouts

Festive Brownie

(Gluten - Dairy -Eggs and Lactose - Soya Free Also Available For the Christmas Dinner)

Week Commencing 10<sup>th</sup> December

**FRIDAY**

**Happy Christmas, see you next year! From all at Thomas Franks.**

*Wednesday*

**Hot Dogs  
Nachos  
Fresh Fruit**