



## Headteachers Weekly Update 20.12.2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well and have had a good week. Thank you for all the kind Christmas cards and gifts the staff team and I have been blessed to receive this week. It is really appreciated. We love working with your children and you should be very proud of them. It has been a great Autumn Term.

**School Christmas Service at Romsey Abbey:** It was lovely to see so many of you at the Christmas Service in the Abbey yesterday; thank you for coming. The children were brilliant and it was a fantastic service as we draw near to Christmas Day.

**PTFA Christmas Fair:** It was also really great to see so many families at the PTFA Christmas Fair on Wednesday. There was a wonderful Christmassy buzz in the hall and so much for the children (and adults) to enjoy. Thank you to the PTFA and all the volunteers for making such a great event happen. Do get involved with the PTFA, we'd love to have lots more parents involved. Put it on your list of things to do in 2025!

**Staff Christmas Pantomime:** The staff enjoyed performing a Christmas Pantomime to the children this morning. We won't give up our day job but we hope the children enjoyed our performance of Jack and the Beanstalk. Mr Sharp, our site manager, gave a particularly 5 star performance as the family cow!

**The Spring Term starts on Monday 6th January at 8:40am.** Year R children will start making their way down to class from the green gate and so without Year R parents coming back up from the classroom, **the gate will be shutting promptly at 8:50am.** If being on time has been a challenge for you this term please make it one of your priority 2025 goals. If there are obstacles to being on time, please discuss these with us. It is a parents legal responsibility to ensure their children are in school on time everyday.

**Supervision After School:** Just a reminder when you have collected your children at 3:15pm at the end of the school day, you are responsible for their supervision. Children must not be in the playpark without your direct supervision or indeed any other part of the school grounds. Children in Year 5 and 6 who walk home by themselves should leave promptly after being dismissed. Secondary school pupils who collect their KS2 siblings must remain in supervision of their younger sibling and promptly head home. If older siblings come to collect with parents/responsible adults they must stay in the parents supervision whilst on our school grounds. They are not permitted to enter our school site without direct adult supervision unless they are simply collecting a KS2 sibling.

**Year R 2025 applications:** Applications for Year R spaces in Sep 2025 are still open: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions>  
The deadline is 15th January 2025.



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**Dates for your Diary:** Here is the link for our Dates for your Diary. It is a live document so will update as new dates and events are added to the diary: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/10-Qagv3rcTOhllGpgLuw5Jpz\\_roi8-UQP-67qL45jBc/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/10-Qagv3rcTOhllGpgLuw5Jpz_roi8-UQP-67qL45jBc/edit)

**Prayer:** I'll finish with a prayer, which you are most welcome to join me in praying...

*Dear Lord Jesus, we give you all the praise for this significant season where we celebrate your birth. We thank you as we reflect on your joy, peace and grace. May you give us wisdom and the opportunity to give back this Christmas and be a blessing to each other. We commit all our plans before you and ask for peace as we put everything in place to make Christmas a joyous occasion. Be with us all Lord Jesus. Amen*

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everybody!

Kind Regards

Mr Harris