



Term 2 – 1st December 2023

Mersham Primary School

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Upcoming Events

6 th Dec	Walk in Wednesday
8 th Dec	Sparkles morning Mersham Monkeys
11/12 th Dec	Yr R & KS1 Production
13 th Dec	Christmas Dinner
14 th Dec	Pantomime
15 th Dec	Church Service (9:15 at the Church
15 th Dec	End of term 2
2 nd Jan	Staff Training Day
3 rd Jan	Start of term 3
9 th Feb	End of term 3
19 th Feb	Start of term 4

Thank you to everyone who came along to support the Christmas Fair – what a wonderful festive event! A huge thank you to all the members of the PTFA who organised the fair, manned the stalls and tidied up afterwards – you did an amazing job. Thank you to Ransley Turf for their generous donation of the Christmas tree – it really transforms the atmosphere in the hall. Thank you also to all the class teachers and the children for your creativity in producing a whole array of Christmas gifts that were available for sale. I am sure we will have further updates from the PTFA in the near future as to how much was raised. A fantastic start to the festive season!

**Cheryl Chalkley
Headteacher**

Emotional Wellbeing Teams

I am really excited to announce that Mersham Primary School has been selected to work alongside the Emotional Wellbeing Team in Ashford from January. This is a joint initiative between the NHS, Children's Mental Health and schools. Please see attached introductory letter and flyer for more information.

Sporting News – Football League

On Wednesday, the football team played their last match of the year against Wittersham Primary School. There was all to play for as both teams were unbeaten in the league. Sadly, it was not to be for Mersham this time and they lost 3:2. Mr Fraser has reported though that, despite the loss, the team played their best football yet and he was incredibly proud of the whole team. They have secured second place in their group and will go on to play more games in the New Year. Well done to all the children who took part.

Polar Express at The Picturehouse in Ashford- Monday 18th December at 10:00am

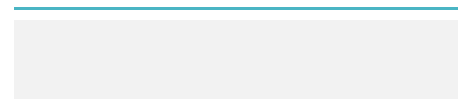
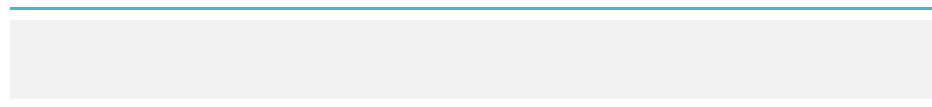
Please see PTFA flyer attached for information on how to book your tickets.

Sparkles Morning with Mersham Monkeys

Please see attached flyer with more details.

Supermarket vouchers for those eligible for Free School Meals

Supermarket vouchers will automatically be sent to all eligible families on 15th December. Each child will be eligible for a voucher worth £20.



Class Assemblies – Terms 1 and 2

Class assemblies will be performed at 9:05am in the school hall. Dates are as follows:

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE

8th December Toucan Class

Eco Eagles Litter Campaign

The Eco Eagles have been running a poster competition to remind everyone at school to not drop litter. There were some fantastic designs, with the overall winner being drawn Imogen in Year 6. However, Mr Ives also wanted to share this amazing poem below which was written by Hope in Year 5.

Litter sprints,
running through the forest
dropping plastic as he goes,
no people to pick it up
crunching footsteps from his toes

Litter throws,
cup holders into the sea,
fish can get strangled
seahorses see the plastic,
any type of fish can get tangled

Litter lives,
it is a dangerous thing
if people can't stop it
- which might happen -
people will continue to drop it
WE CAN STOP LITTERING TOGETHER!

Consultation to Admissions Policy – Fort Pitt Grammar School

Please find attached information regarding a consultation by Fort Pitt Grammar School for a significant change to their determined admissions policy from September 2025.

Newsletter from Ashford Community Safety Unit

Please see newsletter attached.

Nativity and Christmas Carols Evening – Ashford Cattle Market on 12th December

Please see attached flyer for more information.

