

School Update

Friday 15th December 2023

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One more week!

With just a week left of this incredibly busy term there is a buzz being created around school by the children as they anticipate Christmas. The excitement is obvious, with talk of presents, food and family fun to look forward to. Our Reception and Pre-school children performed their Nativity in church today and their enthusiasm reminded us of the reason behind the celebrations. There is plenty of illness going round at the moment—sick bugs, colds/flu and chest infections—with staff and children being ill. Could I please ask that if your child is sick at home, then they stay away from school for the following 2 days. If showing severe flu-like symptoms then they remain at home in order that we can reduce infection across school. No one wants to be poorly at Christmas and so your support in this matter is most appreciated.

Have a good weekend, Steve Dunn HT

Autumn Term 2023

December 2023

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| Tues 19th | Christmas Dinner/ Christmas Jumper Day! |
| Wed 20th & Thur 21st | KS1 Christmas Performances 2pm |
| Thur 21st | PTFA Christmas Discos—KS1 & KS2 only |
| Fri 22nd | KS2 Lessons & Carols 9.00/10.00/11.00am |
| Fri 22nd | Last day of term |

Spring Term 2024

January 2023

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| Mon 8th | School opens for Spring Term |
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February 2023

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| Mon 19th —Fri 23rd | Spring Half-term break |
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March 2023

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| Fri 22nd | Lay day of Spring Term/School closes |
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April 2023

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| Mon 8th | School opens for Summer Term |
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PTFA News

- ♦ **Light Switch On** Thank you everyone who supported our 'Elfridges Stall at the Light Switch On, we raised a fantastic £476 towards our Outdoor and Wellbeing Goals
- ♦ **Disco** Last few days to buy tickets for the KS1 and KS2 Christmas Discos via [Ticketsource](https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/) PLEASE NOTE ticket sales close at 9.00am on Monday 18th December 2023.

As always, the events are only possible with the help of volunteers, if you are available to help at all please do get in touch via ptfa@hall-orchard.leics.sch.uk

- ♦ **KS2 Christmas Performances** Our ace friends at Freckles will be opening at 8.30am before (and after) the KS2 performances for your caffeine needs next Friday (22nd December 2023)
- ♦ **Christmas Shopping and easyfundraising** If you are still finishing up your Christmas shopping, please remember to use [#easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/) Over 7,500 brands will donate to Hall Orchard CE Primary School PTFA at no extra cost to you - so you can raise donations when you buy gifts, decorations, your festive food shopping or anything else! [Please sign up and help us raise more.](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/) #MakeItCount So far, over £500 has been raised through this platform!

Spring Term Events A sneak peek to the events we are planning for next term, details will follow in January –

- R A I N B O W R A F F L E
- Mothers/Someone Special Day Pop Up Shop