

Weekly Bulletin 21st November 2025

Upcoming Whole School Dates

- Nov** Wed 26th : Whole School Pantomime
 Friday 28th : Bottle Donations & Mufti
 Saturday 29th : Christmas Fayre
- Dec** Wed 17th: Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch
 Friday 19th : Christmas Church Service
 Friday 19th : Last day of Term 2

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Whole School Reminder:
We are an allergy aware school.

NO NUTS are to be brought in to school. Thank you.

School Notices

Healthy Snacks

Please provide fruit for snack time rather than crisps or chocolate, as we are a Healthy School.

Dear families,

Thanks again to the Friends for supporting our playtime. The children are really enjoying all the new toys and activities!!



Thank you for your ongoing support.

Attendance This week: Best attendance: Year 1

| Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 | Whole School |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|
| 90.6% | 98.5% | 97.6% | 97.9% | 88.6% | 94.1% | 97.6% | 94.8% |

LIGHT Awards

Well done

to this week's LIGHT award winners:

Alexander R

Arlo Y1

Joel Y2

Marilou Y3

Hailey Y4

Salma Y5

William Y6



Headteacher Awards

Well done

to our Headteacher's Award inners for excellent work this week:

Hailey, Sophia, Elsie,
Niamh, Maybelle, Iris,
Maria, Richard, Arlo,
Abigail, Penelope,
Judah and Joel



Sports Achievements



Cross Country

Some of our Year 5&6 children took part in a Cross Country running event this week. The children showed great resilience in the cold weather. All of them completed the course and gave each other encouragement; demonstrating the strong spirit of St. John's Meads. Well done all!



Swimming Awards

Abigail, Elsie and Nathaniel all received awards for swimming this week - well done!



Karate

Well done Lily on moving up to purple belt in Karate!

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FRIENDS NEWS

It's the Christmas Fayre countdown...



7 days to go! Book Grotto & Fayre tickets now

Don't forget, book your £1 adult entrance ticket to our Christmas Fayre online (children are free and don't require a ticket). To visit Santa's magical grotto, **please also book a timed-entry Grotto slot**. Tickets are £3 and include a gift from Santa. One booking per child.

> **CLICK HERE** to book tickets: pta-events/stjohnsmeadsfmsa

RAFFLE

Raffle tickets sent home today - get your entry in!

Tickets have been sent home with your child/ren today. **Please return your completed tickets & cash to the office next week**. If you've

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already bought tickets, thank you; simply hand back any you don't need to the office. **Prizes include: Thames River Cruise, Yoto Mini Player, £100 John Lewis voucher, David Lloyd passes & many more!**



Hook a Bag - return to office by Thurs 27 Nov

Your child has brought home a paper bag for our 'Hook a Bag' game at the fayre. Simply **decorate the bag, pop inside a festive unisex gift**, and return it to the school office by Thurs 27 November.



Mince pies - drop off any day next week

We would be so grateful for **donations of boxed mince pies** to sell at the Christmas Fayre. Please bring them to the office any day next week. **No nuts please.**



Mufti Day - Bottle Donations: Friday 28 Nov

The day before the fayre is Mufti Day - we would love bottles for our Tombola. For example, you can donate **wine, beer, soft drinks, toiletries/shower gel**. Thank you so much for your support.

ALSO: XMAS4SCHOOLS order deadline now extended until Weds 26 Nov

Fayre helpers still needed - please sign up

Thank you to those who have signed up to help. We just need a few more hands; can you help? Please add your details using the link below and we'll be in touch.

> **CLICK HERE** to sign up to help: volunteersignup.org/CABBP



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External Club Providers



22nd November

1pm to 3pm

THE REAL CHRISTMAS STORY

A whole family event

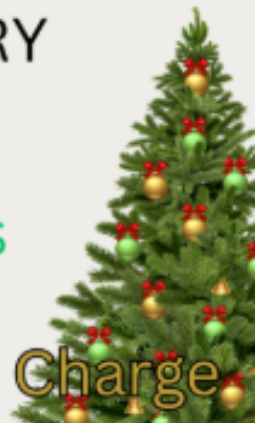


Snacks

Games

Advent Craft

No Charge



Dear parents,

The **Eastbourne, Wealden & Lewes Family Grapevine WINTER 2025/26 issue** is now available to view and download online, printed copies of the magazine are available at your local supermarket [Tesco Super Store: Crowborough, Hailsham, Lewes and Uckfield; Tesco Extra: Lottbridge Dr in Eastbourne and CWS Co-op: Heathfield], you will also find copies at your local library, leisure centre and Family Hub, as well as information centre.

It is a one-stop directory of things to do for families with children from bump to teen. The magazine lists activities, places to visit and events taking place this winter/Christmas. It also features 4 fantastic competitions for a chance of winning some fabulous prizes, from days out to family weekend!



The online magazine can be found and downloaded here:

<https://thefamilygrapevine.co.uk/eastbourne-wealden-lewes/magazine/winter-25-26/>



Holiday food and fun!

FREE for families receiving benefits-related free school meals.

Scan the QR code to visit our website.

[Welcome to Holiday food and fun | East Sussex County Council](#)



Activities may include sports, games, arts, crafts, music, and nature although these will differ from club to club.

Bookings for winter clubs are now open.

During school holidays at Easter, summer and Christmas, our Holiday Food and Fun clubs will be serving up a menu of activities and food for children and young people aged 5-16. Activities will vary and not all activities will be available to all ages.

