



Christmas Concert Update

I am pleased to inform you that our Christmas Concerts are currently going ahead as planned. I am reviewing the school's risk assessment at least once a day, so I may have to make changes, if the Covid situation changes in the school or nationally.

Whilst the concerts are planned to go ahead, there are some **strict rules that everyone will need to follow**, if we are to keep everyone as safe as possible. We do not want a repeat of last Christmas when children, families and staff were unwell over the Christmas holiday.

The Concert Rules

There is a Maximum of 2 adults per child, per show, allowed

All adults wear a mask - if you are exempt you will need to sit at the back to keep a safe distance away

All adults need to do a Lateral Flow Device (LFD) test on the morning of their child's concert and not attend if it is positive

You cannot attend if you have any Covid symptoms

You cannot attend if someone at home has Covid, or Covid symptoms, even if you are double vaccinated

Use the hands sanitisers when entering the school site

You can film the event to share within your family only - do not put it on social media

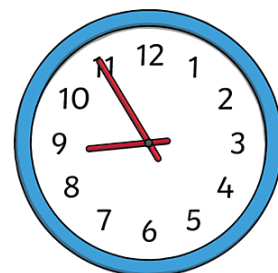
We will film the event and upload it to Tapestry/ Seesaw

Windows and doors will be open for ventilation, so you will need to dress appropriately

If everyone follows these rules, it will be more likely that the concerts in the last week will be able to go ahead. Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate siblings from other year groups watching the shows. Thank you for your FULL support.

Chris Ashley-Jones
Executive Headteacher





Dates for the Diary

Thursday 2nd December – Year 4 trip to The British Museum

Friday 3rd December – Year 6 trip to The British Museum

Tuesday 7th December 10am – Reception Christmas Concert

Tuesday 7th December – Flu Vaccination

Wednesday 8th December 10am – Nursery Christmas

Friday 10th December – Christmas Fair and National Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 13th December – Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 14th December 10am – Year 1 Christmas Concert

Tuesday 14th December 2pm – Year 4 Christmas Concert

Wednesday 15th December 10am – Year 2 Christmas Concert

Wednesday 15th December 2pm – Year 5 Christmas Concert

Thursday 16th December 10am – Year 3 Christmas Concert

Thursday 16th December 2pm – Year 6 Christmas Concert

Friday 17th December – End of Team

Thursday 6th January - Children return to School

Lateness

There are an increasing number of children who are arriving late to school and some are arriving late several times a week. Please organise your mornings to leave home 10 minutes earlier, so that you can arrive in less of a hurry and not as stressed.

Children arriving late often miss a reading or maths session at the start of the day, which will impact on their learning and progress. 5 minutes late a day = 25 minutes a week = 975 minutes in a year, or nearly 3 schools days in a year.

Congratulations Hitherfield

We were delighted to be named as a winner in the Blooming Lambeth Awards for Best School Garden. This reflects all the hard work by the children (and family helpers) in maintaining the Edible Garden and forms part of our wider Outdoor Curriculum which has also helped everyone during the Pandemic. Read more about the awards

here <https://www.incredibleediblelambeth.org/blooming-lambeth-awards/bla-2021/>

Tuesday 7th December – Flu Vaccination for children in Reception to Year 6 - <https://sav.hrch.nhs.uk/flu/2021/lambeth>

(This will only be given to children where Parents/Carers have given consent)

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

All children are invited to wear a Christmas Jumper on Friday 11th December for a £1 donation (voluntary). You don't have to buy a new one, you can decorate your own jumper or swap with a friend.

We have set up a payment item for donations on ParentPay, so you don't need to send your child in with the money, you can visit www.parentpay.com



On Monday, Year 6 braved the cold and enjoyed an exploration of the street art in Brixton.

We walked, looked, discussed and sketched some amazing examples, which will inform our own protest-themed and Banksy-inspired stencil art that will go on display on the Year 6 staircase in the New Year. Watch that space!



Music Concerts

Years 3 and 4 enthralled us with their music concerts this week.





During Term 1, children at Hitherfield learn about some inspirational people...

Year 3 learned about inspiring sports people throughout history.

We have been learning about Marshall Taylor. He was a national and international champion cyclist. He went through a lot of racism but he overcame it. In his races he was knocked down but he always got back up.

Kye Whyte is a professional BMX rider. He and his whole family were risk takers and gave up a lot to help Kye live his dream. They were very resilient.

Serena and Venus Williams had so many people tell them that they could never be tennis players but they kept working hard and surprised everyone. All of these people never gave up and that is why they are so inspiring!



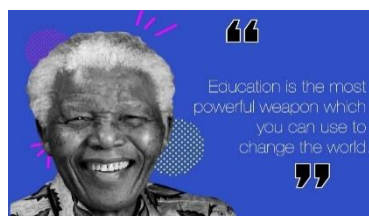
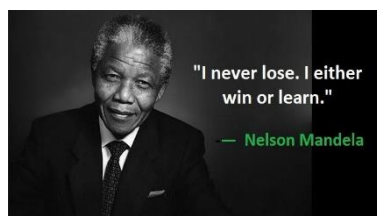
Year 6 children learned about Buti (Nelson) Mandela...

Buti Mandela was born in 1918 in the South African village of Mvezo. He was given the name Nelson by his teacher when he studied at a school set up by British missionaries. Nelson was a very good student, who worked hard in his lessons and loved to learn.

He moved to Johannesburg when he was a young man and he was shocked by the racism that black people were experiencing. He discovered that apartheid had begun. Apartheid was the segregation system created by the South African Government to separate people by their race. Apartheid actually means *apartness* in the language of Afrikaans.

Whilst living in Johannesburg under the apartheid laws, Nelson organised marches and joined the ANC (African National Congress) party to protest against the horrific laws. He was arrested on a few occasions and then imprisoned on Robben Island for acts of terrorism. Prison life was harsh, Nelson had to smash rocks every day in the burning sun, with no shelter. Countries protested against apartheid and they protested for the freedom of Nelson Mandela. Finally in 1990, after 27 years in prison, Nelson was freed. Nelson worked with the South African government to create equality and in 1994 he became the first black president of South Africa.

Puffin class—Year 6





PTA NEWS:

CHRISTMAS FAIR:

With the changes in guidelines over the last few days, we have been working hard behind the scenes to try and make the Christmas fair as safe as possible for you all. We have moved a lot of the stalls outside (fingers crossed for the weather to play ball!), spread out the food stalls in the hall so that you have more room to move around and have decided that the face painters will move around the grounds painting children where they are instead of sitting in a classroom with the children. Please continue to wear a mask onsite as well. We really hope to see you there.

TOMBOLA & GOODY BAG COLLECTION:

We will be collecting donations for the Tombola stall each day next week before school. If you have anything that you'd like to donate - bottles of wine, beauty gift sets, children's gifts etc - then please do bring them along and we will add them to the Tombola stall for the fair. There will be someone one both gates Monday to Friday next week to gratefully receive them!

We will also be collecting your goody bags. If you have donations outside of drop off times, please feel free to leave them politely with the office!

VOLUNTEERS - WE NEED YOU!!

If you've been meaning to sign up to help at the fair now is your chance!! Please click on the Patchwork link below or grab one of the PTA team before or after school to offer your services. <https://patchworkit.com/28942/hitherfieldxmas21>

CHRISTMAS TREES:

Last chance to order a PTA Christmas Tree! They're of great quality - school have ordered their trees from us this year! See the order form at the end of the Herald for prices and sizes and then email it over to hitherfieldpta@gmail.com by Monday 5th December and we'll do the rest!

PTA WINE:

We are back this Christmas with another cracking offer for you from our very own wine expert Jade Koch! She has selected 2 lovely wines for us to toast the festive season with and they are available to buy through the PTA. 100% of the profits from these wines go to school so you can raise your glasses in the knowledge that you're helping our school.

Both wines this winter are from Spain, from Catalunya. They are both Organic. One is a Cava, so sparkling and made from Xarel-lo and the other a full-bodied red made from Syrah (aka shiraz) and aged for 22 months.

Cava - Pregadeu 2019, Els Vignerons Vins Naturals, Penedes, Catalunya, Spain £16

Red - Syrah Reserva 2015, Terra Alta, Catalunya, Spain £16

Why not arrange for a Christmas Pressie for your class teachers? Stuck for ideas for your dad? Or just pop a bottle in as a treat to see you through the holidays.

Orders need to be emailed to the PTA by 5th December and payment and collection will be on Saturday 11th December along with the trees.

Please email orders to hitherfieldpta@gmail.com.



November 2021



Dear Parent/Carer

I'm delighted to let you know that this winter Lambeth Council will be hosting Lambeth's Winter of Food and Fun.

We are partnering with local holiday club providers across the borough to provide an exciting programme of meals and activities for children and young people in our local communities. Free places are available for children between the ages of 4 and 16 years, who are eligible for free school meals.

The programme is designed to give local families access to free, healthy food and fun activities over the winter holidays. Each programme will provide:

- Free, healthy and tasty food
- Fun physical activity sessions
- A wide range of other activities to suit different ages and personalities
- Opportunities to learn more about food and nutrition for children and families



To find out more scan the QR code or visit the web address below.

Please note that Lambeth Council will also be running Food and Fun activities during the Spring and Summer holidays so check the website nearer the time to find out more.

I hope your family is able to take full advantage of the winter programme.

Yours faithfully

Councillor Edward Davie
Cabinet Member for Children and Young People



lambeth.gov.uk/winterfoodandfun

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WINTER FESTIVAL
West Norwood & Tulse Hill

WILD NORWOOD 2021
27 November – 12 December
Norwood celebrates the great outdoors in many different ways. Let's go Wild!
In your own home: Make your own Window Wonderland window display; then register it on the festival map so everyone can come and see it.
In local shops: Follow the moonlit footprints of local wildlife to the magical window display in West Norwood Library and Picturehouse.
In your neighbourhood: Discover the hidden River Effra or make a spooky night-time visit to West Norwood Cemetery: the festival brings you an amazing programme of 16 daily walks.

Sunday 5 December, 10am–4pm
WEST NORWOOD CHRISTMAS MARKET by MyPopUpEvents
@ The Old Library, 14–16 Knight's Hill

Sunday 5 December, 10am–4pm
WEST NORWOOD FEAST FEAST WINTER WEEKENDER
The final Feast of 2021 – with all your favourite stalls & delicious food, fun and FREE activities for children!

27 NOV to 12 DEC
Friday 3 DEC
Saturday 4 DEC
Sunday 5 DEC
Sunday 19 DEC

Friday 3 December, 5.30–7.30pm
FAMILY FUN – DISCO PARTY FEAST WINTER WEEKENDER
@ The Portico, 23 Knights Hill, SE27 0HS
FREE! With games and face painting (accompanied under 11s)

Saturday 4 December, 10am–4pm
CHRISTMAS GIFT MARKET FEAST WINTER WEEKENDER
Enjoy a seasonal street market along Norwood Road as you support your local shops on Small Business Saturday

Saturday 4 December, time?
L'ARCHE CRAFT MAKING FEAST WINTER WEEKENDER
@ L'Arche, 9–13 Norwood High St

Friday 3 – Sunday 19 December
ODD ONE OUT TRAIL & COMPETITION BEGINS
Fabulous prizes including: PictureHouse Membership / Christmas baking kit / Floating globe lamp / 500 piece puzzle
Downloadable entry-form here: westnorwoodfeast.com/oddoneout21

Saturday 4 December, 2–4pm
CHOIR PERFORMANCES & LIVE MUSIC FEAST WINTER WEEKENDER
@ St Luke's Church

Saturday 4 December, 5.30pm
FREE FAMILY FILM FEAST WINTER WEEKENDER
@ St Luke's Church, presented by West Norwood Free Film Festival

For more info visit:
westnorwoodfeast.com/winterfestival2021




WINTER FESTIVAL
West Norwood & Tulse Hill

27 November – 12 December 2021 WILD NORWOOD
Scissors at the ready to create your wild window display as Norwood Forum return with their third Window Wonderland Festival.

3 – 19 December
ODD ONE OUT SHOP LOCAL TRAIL & COMPETITION
Search shop windows to find the ODD items within the display, complete and submit the competition form for a chance to win great prizes!

FEAST WINTER WEEKENDER:
Friday 3 December **AFTER SCHOOL FAMILY FUN**
Saturday 4 December **CHRISTMAS GIFT MARKET, LIVE MUSIC, CRAFTS, FILM SCREENING & MORE!**
Sunday 5 December **WEST NORWOOD FEAST**

For more info visit  westnorwoodfeast.com/winterfestival2021

MARKETS / FAMILY FUN / WINDOW WANDERLAND / MUSIC EVENTS / COMPETITIONS / FREE FILM SCREENINGS

The Winter Festival is brought to you by local community and business groups – West Norwood Feast, Station to Station and Norwood Forum – with funding through Lambeth Council from the Welcome Back Fund

27 November – 19 December 2021



ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE WITH HITHERFIELD PTA & HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR THE SCHOOL



This year, we are partnering with Mistletoe & Pine from Leigham Vale Garden Centre to offer pre-ordered trees for collection from Hitherfield School or for a small fee, trees can be delivered locally.



All you need to do is, fill in the order form selecting the size of tree you would like along with name and contact details and drop it into the order box in the schools main office . Alternatively, email : hitherfieldpta@gmail.com.



ORDER BY: FRIDAY 3RD DECEMBER
by 4.30pm



COLLECTION: SATURDAY 11TH DECEMBER
between 11am & 3pm



MULLED WINE

MINCED PIES



ORDER FORM

HITHERFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

Let's start getting into the Christmas spirit!

1. Buying through the PTA, **all profits go straight to the school.**
2. Nordmann Firs are '**non drop**' Christmas trees, which means you'll spend less time sweeping up during this festive season.
3. Once order has been received, you will be sent a link to **Paypal** for payment. **FULL payment must be received in advance .**

NORDMANN FIR	HEIGHT (FT)	HEIGHT (CM)	PRICE	QUANTITY
Super grade	3-4 ft	100-125cm	£28	
Super grade	4-5 ft	125-150cm	£34	
Premium grade	5-6 ft	150-180cm	£40	
Premium grade	6-7 ft	180-212cm	£50	
Premium grade	7-8 ft	212-240cm	£60	
Premium grade	8-9 ft	240-270cm	£75	
Premium grade	9-10 ft	270-300cm	£95	

DETAILS

Parent/Guardian Name:

Child's Name:

Child's Class:

Email Address:

Address (for local delivery, will be an additional £5):

