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LET US KNOW WHO IS PICKING UP: We have had several incidents this week in which parents and carers of children at Whitchurch Primary School have sent other adults/older siblings to collect their children. If you are going to do this, **you must let us know**. If we see an unknown adult collecting a child, we will ask them who they are, which is an uncomfortable situation for staff, the person collecting, and everyone around watching. Please call, text or email the school if you are sending a person unknown to us.

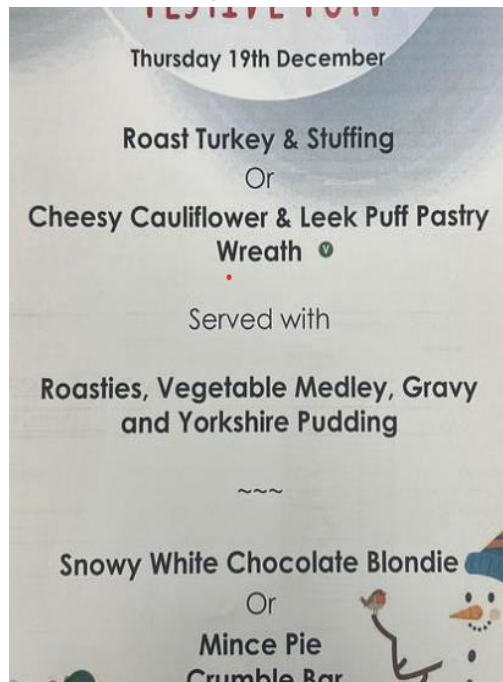
SCHOOL ENDS AT 3:15pm: A reminder that school ends at 3:15pm. This includes Fridays. We have had an increase in parents/carers wishing to pick up before this time for last minute medical and dental appointments. When booking please remember we end at 3:15pm, and please provide evidence of medical/dental appointments. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS INCOMING!

TRUMPETS: Well done to our after-school trumpet club, who have learned a superb rendition of Jingle Bells to play at the Whitchurch Village Christmas Light Switch On! It sounds amazing, be there to hear it!

CHRISTMAS DINNER: Last day to book this festive dinner is Saturday. Please book now!

CHRISTMAS POST BOX: Our annual in school delivery service opens Monday. Please remind children to write first and last name, and class on their cards. Sorry, we cannot provide class lists for this (Hint: Look at a school photo and ask your child for names!)



SATS and NATIONAL TESTS - Please be aware that in the new calendar year there will be numerous tests and examinations for various year groups for which it is essential your children attend. By being in school your child will be able to demonstrate all the great learning they do at Whitchurch Primary. Dates to ensure attendance for are:

Year 1: Phonics testing week begins on Monday July 9th . Please be in every day this week.

Year 2: Year 2 SATS in May. Please be in every day this month.

Year 4: Multiplication check: June. Please be in every day this month.

Year 6: Year 6 SATS week begins Monday 12th May. Please be in every day this week.



GOOD LUCK MISS WILLIAMS! Pitter-patter, pitter-patter...it's the sound of tiny feet! Miss Williams will be leaving tomorrow to have her baby! Whilst we will all of course miss her in Year 1, we are all excited about this new arrival! Tomorrow we will test her on her nursery rhyme knowledge, and wish her all the best!

Stepping in to Year 1 whilst Miss Williams is on maternity leave is Miss Sadler, who joins us having been a teacher since 2019. Miss Sadler has already spent many years teaching in a Year 3 class at another school, and has also led on geography and history. Keen on outdoor learning; we welcome Miss Sadler to the team!



Today there have been many prizes given out for those children who participated in England Rocks (our Times Tables Rock Stars competition) this year! Congratulations to all of you, we are proud of your success!

Knife crime awareness events

Bath & North East Somerset
Violence Reduction Partnership

Join us at

Bath College, City Centre campus
Thursday 5th December, 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Chew Valley School
Monday 10th February, 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Newbridge Primary School
Wednesday 22nd January, 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Parents and carers in B&NES are invited to learn about the devastating impact of knife crime and how they can support young people to steer away from its dangers at a series of events. You will hear from a guest speaker with lived experience who has been personally affected by knife crime.

There will also be a panel discussion with an opportunity to ask questions.

Free tickets can be booked in advance via [Eventbrite](#), search for **B&NES VRP** to find your nearest event.

The event is organised by the Bath & North East Somerset Violence Reduction Partnership which aims to prevent and reduce violence in our area.

Any questions about the event can be emailed to
VRP_Events@bathnes.gov.uk

Or book your ticket now on [Eventbrite](#)

For more information visit [Bath & North Somerset VRP](#)



CHRISTMAS EVENTS: 6.12.24 Whitchurch Village Christmas Light Switch On! 13.12.24: Christmas Songs in the playground! 17.12.24+18.12.24: Nativity Performances (Time to be announced) 19.12.24 Christmas Dinner Day.

PRAISE AND SHOWCASE: Well done for your superb work!



ATTENDANCE: Please inform the office if your child is not going to be in for the day. This term so far we have spent over 10 hours phoning/texting/ mailing parents and carers to find out where their children are. Please phone/text/ email if your child isn't going to be in.