

WARREN Primary School

NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 25 2022



Message from Mr. Hook

On 13th November we were pleased to support the council's Remembrance memorial service and offer our facilities to those attending the event. It was good to see so many Warren pupils there and thank you to the staff who supported this community event and the school council members who represented us and laid a wreath on behalf of Warren.



Despite it still being November, it is lovely to hear the children practising the songs for our forthcoming Christmas events. We are pleased that we are able to start to get back to some more traditional gatherings at this time of year.

As you will have seen previously, the key dates are as follows:

Friday 9th December 2022 – Nursery Christmas production – 10.00am

Friday 9th December 2022 – Reception classes (Rabbits and Hedgehogs) Christmas production – 2pm

Tuesday 13th December 2022 – Key stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) Christmas production - 10am and 2pm

Wednesday 14th December 2022 – Lower key stage 2 (Year 3 and Year 4) Christmas production – 9.30am and 2pm

Thursday 15th December 2022 – Class Christmas parties – PM – Details to follow

Thursday 15th December 2022 - Christmas Family Carols on the playground - After school event. Refreshments available.

Friday 16th December 2022 – Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Dinner and last day of Term (break up normal time).

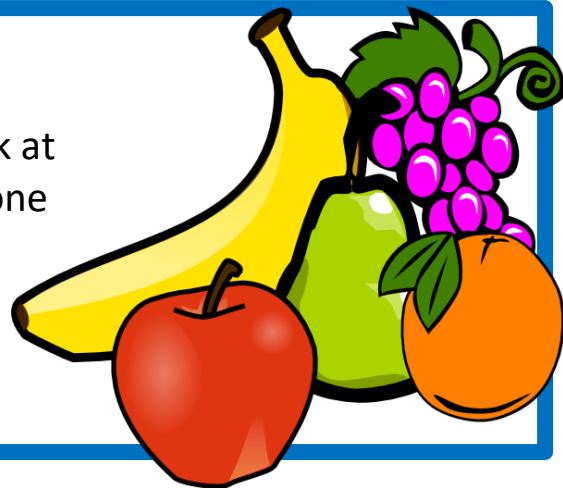
Tickets can be purchased via ParentMail with the money raised going towards school funds. Please see email for further information.

We are fortunate that these events will be supported by our tireless PTFA volunteers who will also be selling raffle tickets at these productions with some great prizes. Please do support your school's PTFA who do a wonderful job supporting our school. If you are able to volunteer your time to help the PTFA then please email them directly on ptfa.wps@osborne.coop



HEALTHY SNACKS at BREAKTIME

If you are choosing to send your child in with a snack at break time please do make sure that it is a healthy one (eg, fruit, vegetables, cereal bar - **no nuts please**). Early Years and Key Stage One children all do have access to a fruit/vegetable snack everyday through the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme.



Following on from another successful Summer Reading Challenge featuring the "Gadgeteers", The Reading Agency in partnership with The Science Museum will be running the Winter Mini Reading Challenge. This will be running online from the 1st December and further information will be published online soon. We hope that as many of you as possible will be able to take part in the challenge, complete some of the science experiments and most importantly enjoy curling up with a good book this winter. Additionally, any child who completes the challenge can bring in their certificate for 3 dojo points!

Please see <http://wintermini.org.uk/> for further information (please note - this will take you to a section of the Summer Challenge page)

Wet play / Break times

As we are currently experiencing more and more damp and cold weather please do remember to send in your child with a named coat. As it gets chillier, and your child brings hat/gloves/scarf please do remember to name these too! Where possible, we will have outside break in order for the children to have some fresh air and the opportunity for some outdoor exercise.

However, in the case that we need to have an indoor break time, we would love to restock our supplies of "wet play" equipment. If you are clearing out at home we would very much appreciate any donations of the following, that children could use for wet playtimes:

- Board games
- Colouring books for various ages
- Children's comics and magazines
- Annuals
- Construction toys e.g. k'nex, lego or similar
- Other small, storable items e.g. playmobile figures, animals, etc.

Please bring any of these to the school office where they will be distributed.



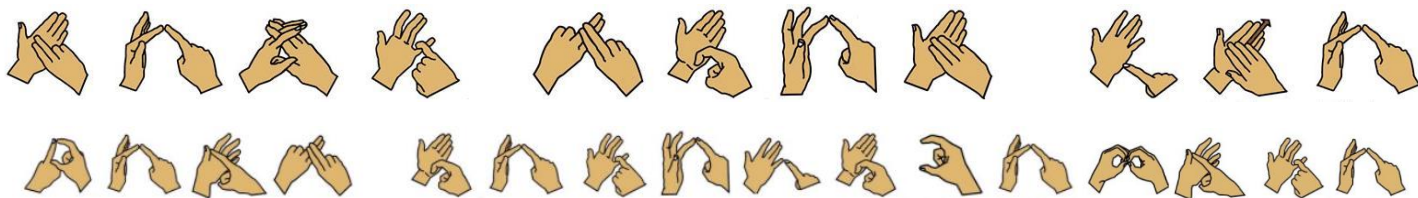
Essex Fire Museum Open Day
Sunday 27th November 2022
(10.00am to 4.00pm)



Visits must be pre-booked via:
museum@essex-fire.gov.uk

**Address: Essex Fire Museum, Grays Fire station,
Hogg Lane, Grays, RM17 5QS**





News from The Resource Base for Deaf Children

Last week, the deaf children from Warren were invited to watch a screening of 'The Railway Children Return'. Despite a few hiccups earlier that morning due to traffic, the children had a fantastic time and thoroughly enjoyed the film.



walk



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fall



sit

DOs & DON'Ts
SUGGESTED BY
THAT DEAF GUY



BE DEAF WISE!

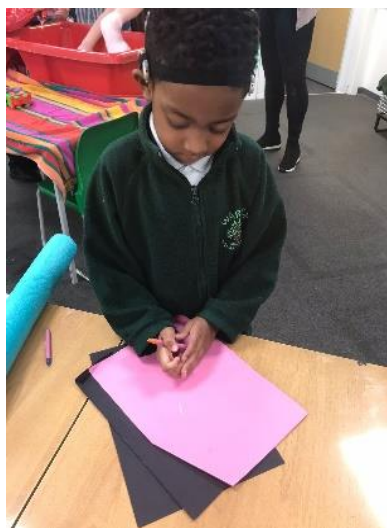
DO USE A GENTLE TAP
TO GET A DEAF PERSON'S
ATTENTION.



DON'T SUDDENLY GRAB A
DEAF PERSON'S SHOULDER!



In the Burrow we are learning that mark making is fun! We enjoy the chalks, paints, whiteboard pens and many more. We hope you look forward to seeing more of our creations.



Last week the Nursery children enjoyed taking part in 'Children in Need'. They dressed in bright clothes and took part in a variety of activities throughout the day. The most popular activity was decorating a biscuit. The children were invited to select a picture card from a pile, count the number of sweets shown in the photograph and then decorate their own biscuit with the same number of sweets. They demonstrated great counting skills and I was told that the biscuits were very tasty!

Mrs Disley

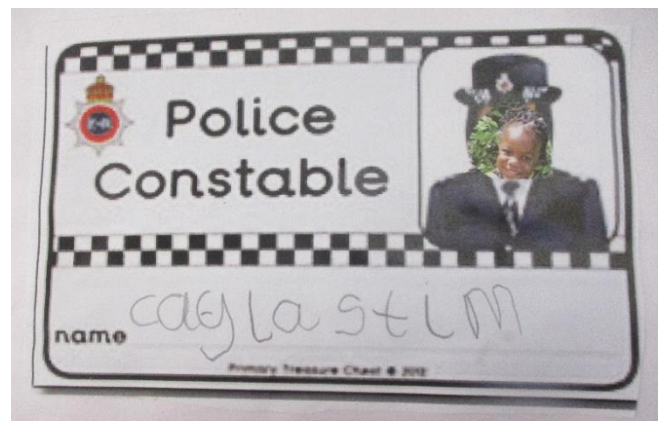
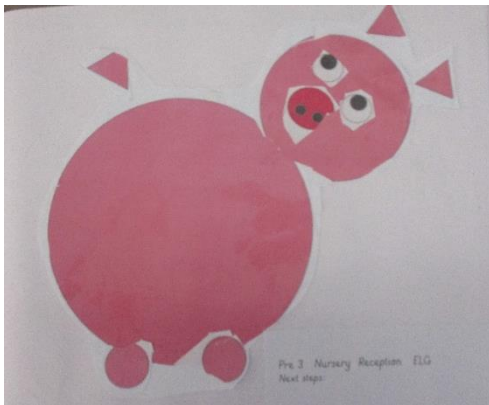


Reception Mrs Rose and Miss Tapson

Reception have been learning about People Who Help Us. So far we have learnt about police officers, firefighters and vets. We had a visit from a vet and found out some of the things a vet does to look after our pets. We have also made police badges and made missing posters for Fred our phonics frog who went missing.

We have been learning about numbers 1 to 5 and the different ways to represent them. We have also been learning about the links between numbers and shapes for example a triangle has 3 corners and a square has 4 sides. We searched for shapes around our classroom and made pictures using shapes.

We are continuing to learn about people who help us. We have now reached the end of learning our set one sounds in phonics and are working hard to use them for both reading and writing.



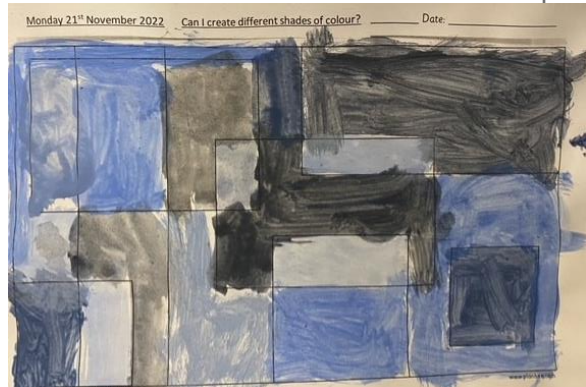
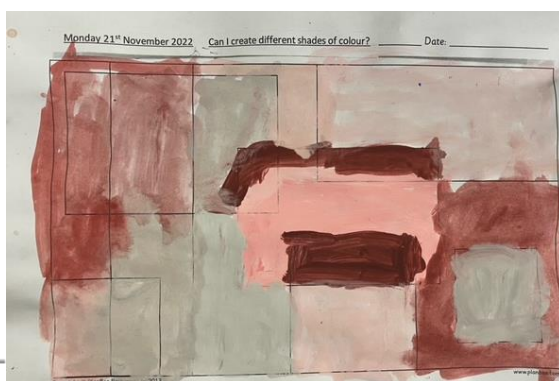
Investigation Question!

Why is it important to practise and learn phonics? What can we use the sounds for? What sounds do you know? Who can help you to learn your phonic sounds?

Miss Studt, Mrs Gilbody and Mrs Mahoney

This half term Year 1 have been showing their artistic talents. In our Art lessons, they learnt all about primary and secondary colours and how the artist Piet Mondrian used them in his work. The children loved making their own artwork inspired by Mondrian and mixing their own colours. They were also encouraged to explore how to create different shades of colour by adding small amounts of black or white. It has been wonderful to see them grow as artists, and we cannot wait to see what they create next!

Miss Studt, Mrs Gilbody and Mrs Mahoney



Investigation Question:

Do you know what the symbols +, - and = mean? Can you explain these to someone at home?



Year 2



Over the past 2 weeks Year 2 have been focusing on their Maths skills. Their focus has been on learning how to layout and complete column method addition and subtraction questions.

The children have been able to complete column method additions including re-grouping questions and subtraction questions involving exchanging. They have learnt little sayings along the way to help them understand each step.

The children have enjoyed learning how to use the squares in their books and using number lines and their hands to help them solve the problems. The children have even been able to solve 2-digit word problems using their column method knowledge.

Have a look at some of their amazing work below and if you have the time please ask them to show you some of their fantastic Maths work! We are very proud of each and every student!

Can I have a ten please?

The ten needs to wait outside the party!

Of course you can.

Mrs Letham and Miss Reed

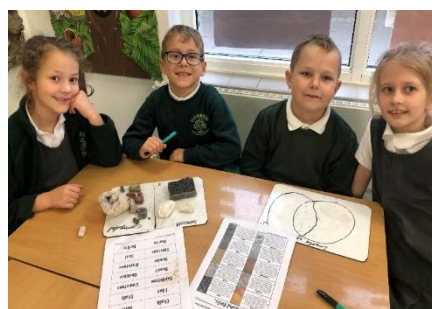
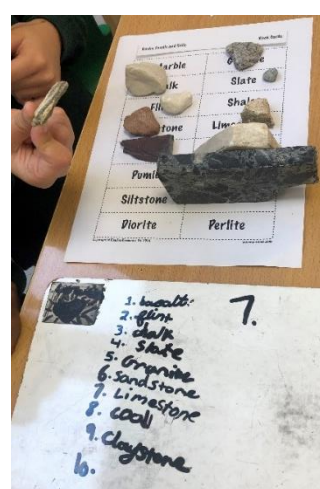
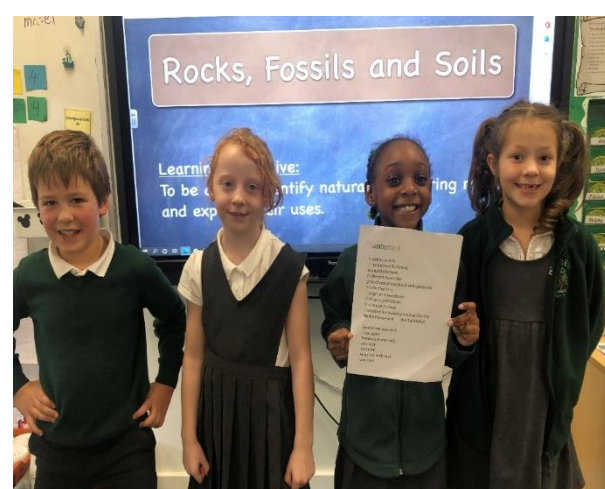
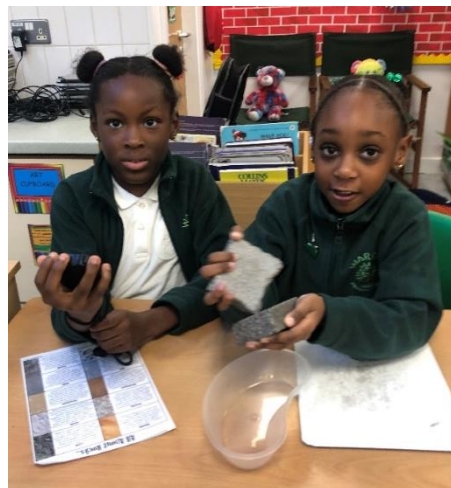
Your investigation question:

Maths question: How many 3D shapes can you name?

If you're stuck for ideas, please refer to the page on BBC Bitesize website. Under the Primary, Year 2, Maths section there is a tab called 'Recognise and name 3D shapes'.

YEAR THREE Mrs Smith and Miss Fraser

Year 3 pupils are Rock stars and created a rap for the various Metamorphic, Igneous and Sedimentary rocks that they are studying. They are becoming archaeologists and are studying the composition of rocks, soils and fossils. This week, they skilfully classified rocks according to their shape, durability, texture and uses through erosion investigations.



Your Investigation Question:
Can I explore the meaning of Christmas to Christians?

YEAR FOUR Mr Kitchener and Miss Belcher

Last week, Year 4 enjoyed a wonderful visit to Vue Cinema to watch Horrible histories: Rotten Romans. Thankfully, the weather held out and we managed to get to the cinema completely dry, it is a shame the same can't be said for the seats! A quick screen change and a late change of film saw us watch Lyle, Lyle the Crocodile (which was a far better film!).

The film was one of laughter and a few tears which gave us some fantastic learning opportunities around Anti-Bullying week and Reaching Out. So much so, that immediately after the screening we had a circle time around reaching out and the importance of being there for someone.



INVESTIGATION QUESTION

What would the world be like without any rivers?

YEAR FIVE Miss Lewis and Mrs Redmond

Year 5 were fortunate enough to be visited by chicken wire sculptor, William Ashley-Norman, who worked with the children to create incredible sculptures. The children learnt a variety of new skills and were able to cut the wire using wire cutters and shape it (using pliers) to form a poppy in honour of Remembrance Day. They demonstrated great team work and worked carefully and precisely to produce their finished pieces. To add colour, the children weaved tissue paper between the wires.

Some examples of their creative sculptures can be seen below.

Fantastic work, Year 5!



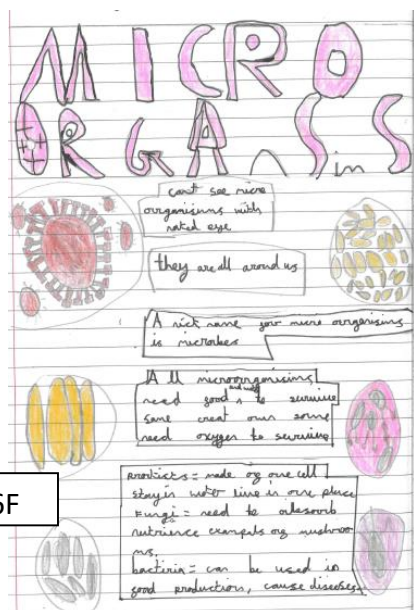
INVESTIGATION QUESTION :

Research myths in different cultures that have mountains in them. How many can you find?
How important is the mountain in each of the ones you have found?

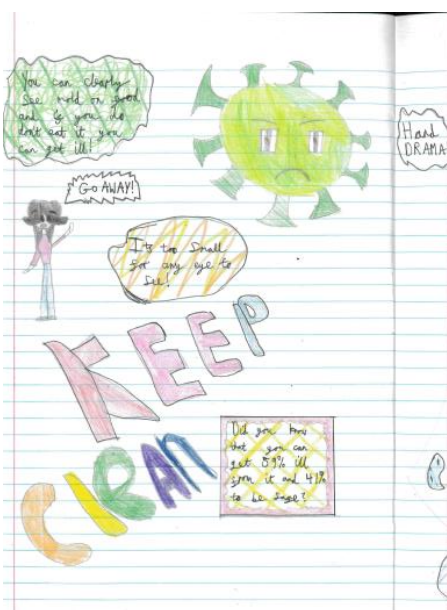


YEAR SIX Mrs Emmerman and Mrs Fogg

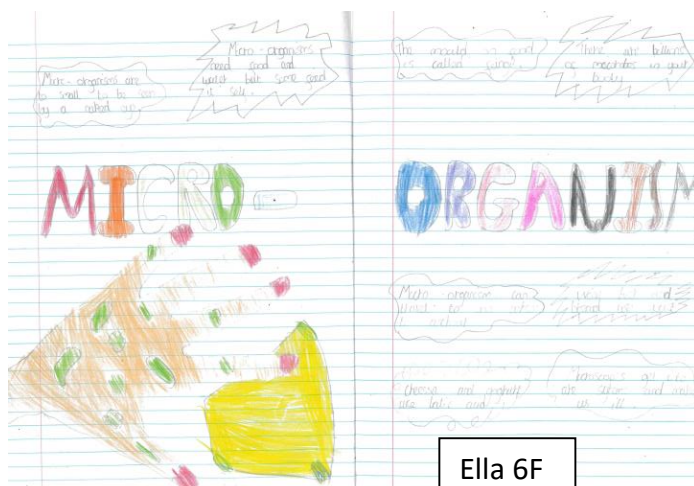
In Year 6, as part of our living things topic, we have been learning about micro-organisms. We have been finding out about the difference between fungi, bacteria and protists.



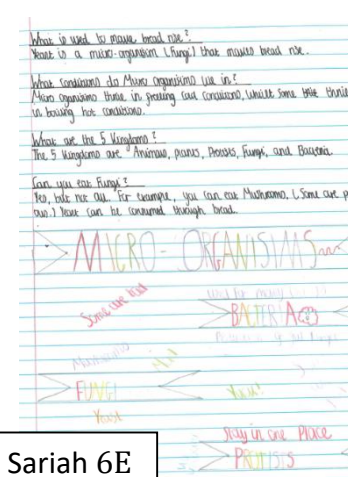
Oliver 6F



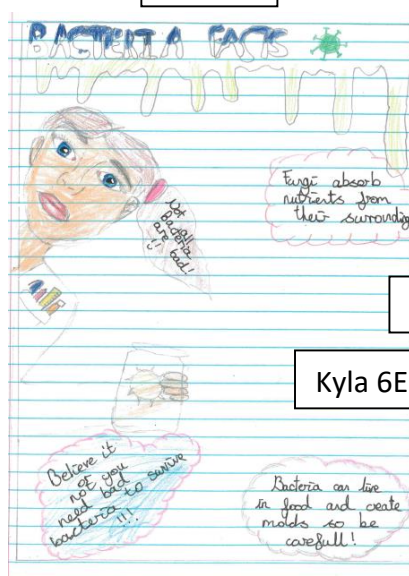
Evie 6F



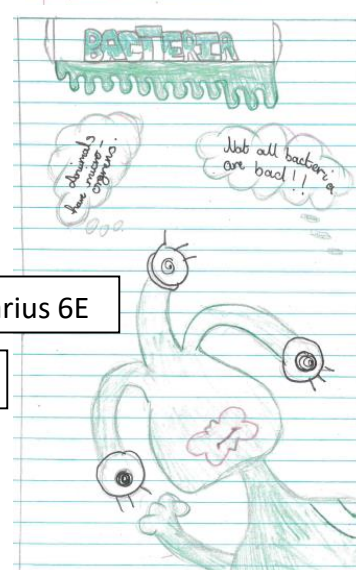
Ella 6F



Sariah 6E



Kyla 6E



Darius 6E

INVESTIGATION QUESTION :

Can you make a model on Tinkercad of a symbol that represents Christmas?
What shapes can you use to make this?

Spelling Shed



Spelling Shed

Well done to **4B**, who are this fortnight's winners in the league table, with 24,550,532 points, followed by **4K** with 22,021,676 and **3S** with 8,019,014 points.




A reminder that all pupils in Years 1-6 have access to Spelling Shed, which is a scheme designed for pupils to practise age-appropriate spelling patterns, as well as their weekly spellings set by their class teacher, online via the use of the web link

<https://www.spellingshed.com/>.

Ms Lewis

English Coordinator



		
4B	4K	3S



Spelling Shed





Amazon Wish-list

With Black Friday sales please note that some of the prices on the Wishlist have dropped. So if you want to take a look and donate something to the school from the teachers wish list. Thank you

If you want to have a look at what's on the school's wish list, then please use the below link.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1TU86EDU9CMG?ref=wl_share

Thank you again.



THANK YOU

AGM

A massive thank you to everyone who attended our AGM, we hope you found it informative. Also, welcome to Kayleigh Barber to the team as our new Treasurer. Sarah and Amy re-stood and are still the Chair and Secretary.

Preloved Uniform

We are putting together a project to turn old uniform into unique bunting for our school! If you have any branded uniform or summer dresses at home that no longer fit, or even have a small hole, please could you donate these to us? Ideally if you could drop these to us on a Friday at Tuck shop that would be great, however if you can't please email us and we'll arrange a convenient time.

Selection Box Slide

**MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER!
FOR ALL CHILDREN!
10P DONATION**



**BRING IN YOUR 10P TO CLASS
AND WHOEVER SLIDES IT CLOSEST
TO THE PRIZE WINS!
ONE SELECTION BOX TO WIN PER
CLASS!**

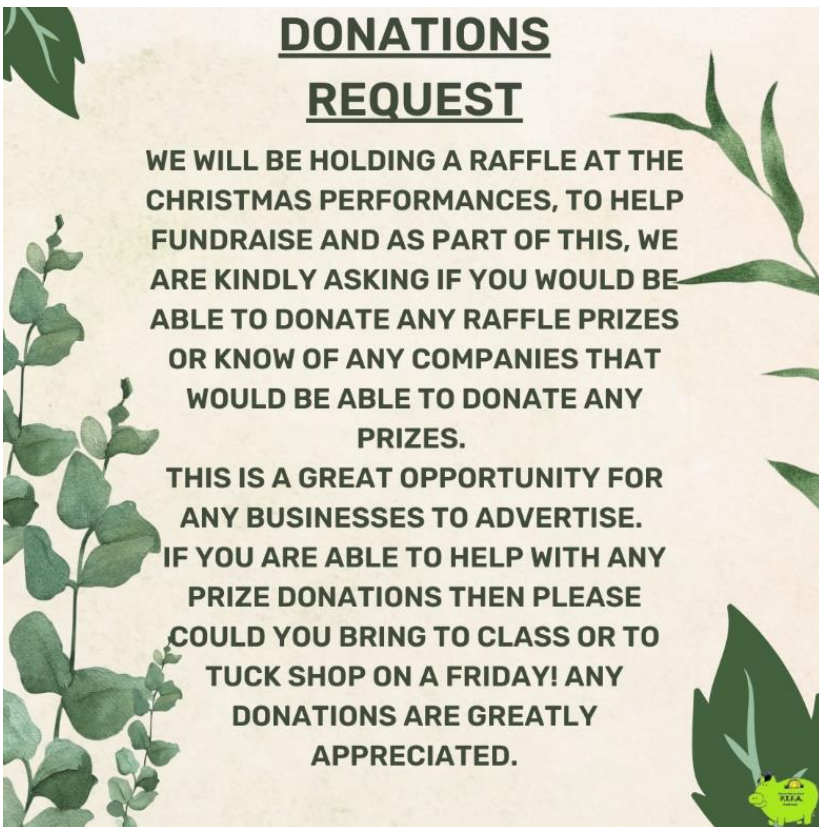
**ALL CHILDREN WILL WIN A
CHOCOLATE FOR TAKING PART**



DONATIONS REQUEST

WE WILL BE HOLDING A RAFFLE AT THE CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES, TO HELP FUNDRAISE AND AS PART OF THIS, WE ARE KINDLY ASKING IF YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO DONATE ANY RAFFLE PRIZES OR KNOW OF ANY COMPANIES THAT WOULD BE ABLE TO DONATE ANY PRIZES.

THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR ANY BUSINESSES TO ADVERTISE. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP WITH ANY PRIZE DONATIONS THEN PLEASE COULD YOU BRING TO CLASS OR TO TUCK SHOP ON A FRIDAY! ANY DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED.



Please 'like' our Facebook Page Warren Primary PTFA
(Don't forget to answer the questions) Or follows us on Instagram



Dates for your diaries:

Thursday 1st December 2022

Flu Vaccinations

Friday 16th December 2022

Last Day of Term

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

INSET DAY

Wednesday 4th January 2023

First day of Term

Friday 10th February 2023

Last Day of Term

Monday 20th February 2023

First day of Term

Thursday 30th March 2023

Last Day of Term

Friday 31st March 2023

Trust Conference Day - Non pupil Day

Monday 17th April 2023

First day of Term

Monday 1st May 2023

BANK HOLIDAY

Friday 26th May 2023

Last Day of Term

Monday 5th June 2023

First day of Term

Wednesday 19th July 2023

Last Day of Term

Thursday 20th July 2022

INSET DAY

Friday 21st July 2022

INSET DAY