

# WARREN

## Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

As the autumn term comes to a close, we would like to thank all the volunteers who have given time to our school over the last few months. Thank you to everyone who helps to support our children in so many ways.

Thank you to the PTFA volunteers who work so hard to organise events for the children as well as raising money for the school and to everyone who supports this.

Thank you to those of you who have given up time to accompany trips and to help out with activities in school.

Thank you to those who have come to demonstrate your talents and share your knowledge, beliefs and culture through workshops and assemblies.

It has been an especially busy last couple of weeks, and it has been lovely to see so many parents and carers, family members and friends at the Nursery, Reception, Year One and Two Christmas performances - as well as at The Beacon where Mrs Redmond and Ms Lewis led their phases to sing carols. It was also lovely to hear some commendations and positive feedback from the clergy about the good behaviour and manners of the children from Warren. Despite some technical hiccups, the Carols were sung beautifully and thank you to those parents and carers who supported.

The final day of term today has been full of activity, and Christmas Dinner was wonderfully prepared and cooked by Mrs Bird and the kitchen team. Thanks to them for all of their efforts.

### **Before and after school clubs**

Please note that (unusually) **all** before and after school clubs will begin at the very start of term (week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> January).

### **Website Class Pages**

If you would like to see some of the other activities your child(ren) have been doing over the Autumn term please see the [class pages](#) on the website.

### **Keeping safe online**

If you or your friends / family are planning on giving your child a new electronic device over the Christmas period, you may wish to visit <https://www.essex.police.uk/police-forces/essex-police/areas/essex-police/au/about-us/sort-your-settings/> for some helpful tips and information for you in order to try to help them stay safe online.

### Healthy Snacks and occasional treats

Please remember, if you are sending in your child with a healthy snack for break time that these should be fruit /vegetable based and **must not** contain nuts.

As previously requested, if you choose to send your child with occasional treats to share, e.g. on a birthday etc, these must be individually wrapped and shop bought, and not containing nuts. These would be given out at the end of the school day.

### Uniform and jewellery

If anyone is needing to acquire new footwear for school please do remember that it needs to be practical for your child and suitable for wearing outside. Footwear should also be plain black.

If your child has pierced ears then they should only wear small studs which they can remove for PE. A wrist-watch (not connected to smart devices) may also be worn, but other than this, jewellery is not allowed in school please.

### Christmas Jumpers

We have tried to collect and reuse Christmas jumpers this year but unfortunately we only received a few. We will however be trying once more and collecting Christmas jumpers again in the New Year which we will hold for next December when we hope to offer them for sale at a bargain price for school funds. If you have any Christmas jumpers that you don't think you will be using again then please bring it to the school office.

School will reopen on **Monday 8th January 2024** for all the children. Until then, we wish everyone a very happy and peaceful Christmas and send Seasons Greetings to all of our school family.



