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Dear Families

We had another busy week in school last week and we are now officially over half way through this half term. The Christmas plans are in full swing - more details next week. Our lovely PTFA's letter has been sent home about our upcoming Christmas Movie Night on Tuesday 17th December after school. Please return you child's slip and cash to your child's teacher or to the main office as soon as possible so that we can get the popcorn ordered and films at the ready to roll the tape! How wonderful! The PTFA are also organising a Christmas Mufti for Christmas for our Christmas lunch day on Thursday 19th December for a £1 donation. Relish are busy preparing the Turkey and will be soon uploading the Christmas lunch onto Relish parents so that you can book your child in for their Christmas dinner. We will let you know when this is loaded and ready to book!

Last week, our wonderful Year 5 and Year 6 children competed in an indoor athletics competition against other schools on the Island. As always our children showed true pride and determination and gave each event their all! We were super proud of you! A huge thank you to Miss Westbrook, Mrs Domoney, Mrs Hinkley and Mrs Venables for your help with this event. Go Team Lanesend!

On Friday, our Year 5 children went on their Geography trip to study the local area and studies of Northwood Park. The weather stayed dry and sunny for them and they had a wonderful time

taking their learning outside of the classroom and into our community. Thank you to all the parents who came to help and support with the trip, we really appreciate it. Well done Year 5!

This Tuesday, we have our last story themed stay and play session for any new intake children due to start school in September 2025. This will be based on 'The Magic of Christmas' and will include story, play, craft and song and festive fun for all. Pop along if you can join us.

On Thursday, our lovely Choir club are heading down to the 'Festive Light Switch On' in Cowes to perform some festive classics and spread joy and Lanesend cheer to all! If you are free, pop down to Sainsburys in Cowes at 4.30pm and then the Pontoon Bar at 5pm to show your support. We have also heard a rumour that Santa will be making a special appearance at the Pontoon Bar afterwards! A special evening for all.

Just a gentle reminder for lunchtimes, please be mindful of nut products in lunch boxes, in particular any chocolate spreads that may contain nuts. We are a nut free school and appreciate your support in ensuring we keep our children safe whilst in school. Thank you in advance.

Best wishes

Mrs. Sutton

## Celebrations in School



*1 - Our wonderful KS1 children with their certificates this week*





2 - Well done to all the children in Years R, 1 and 2 for their celebrations this week



3 - Well done to Alfie and Jonah on their certificates



4 - Well done Persephone and Tayler on their celebration certificates



5 - Farayah and Mina with their certificates

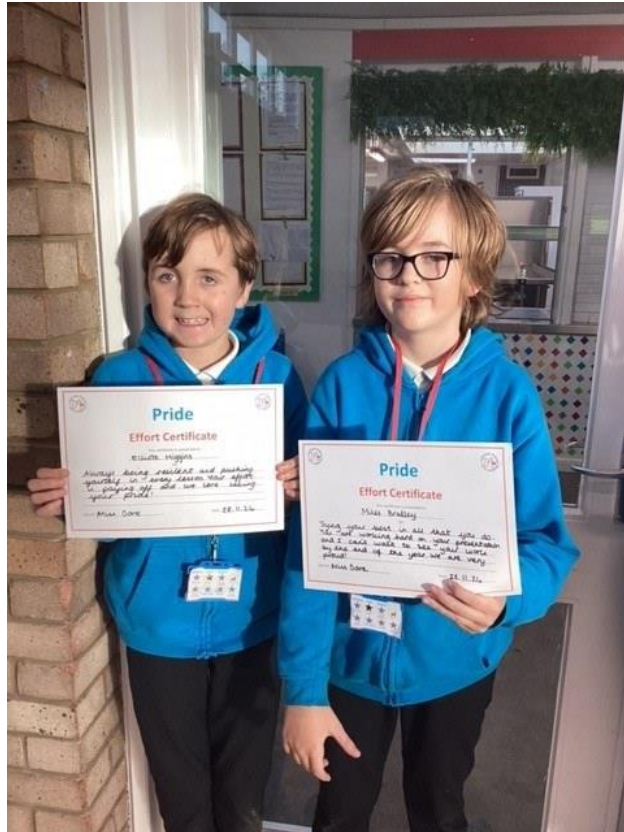


*6 - Sophie and Mina with their wonderful certificates*

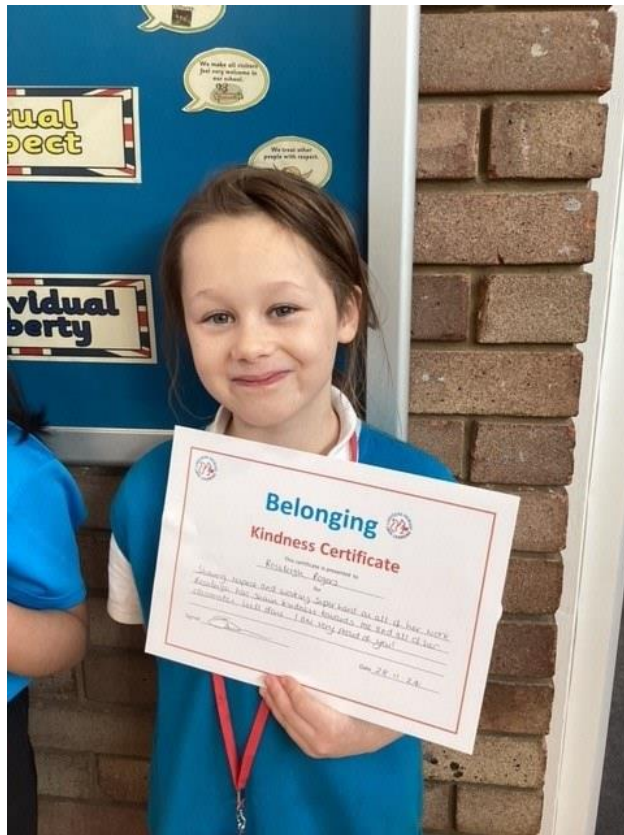




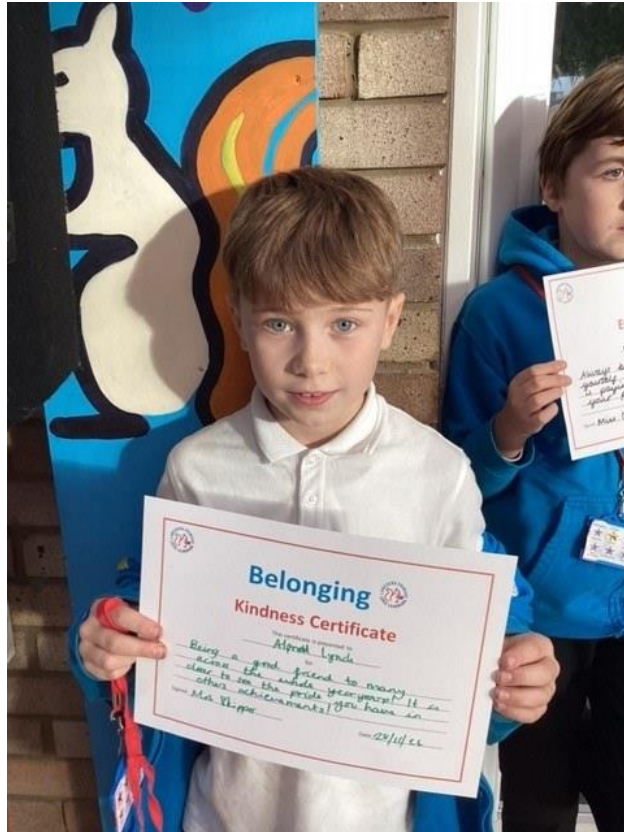
7 - Halima, Elodie and Oscar with their celebration awards



8 - Elliott and Miles with their wonderful certificates



9 - Rosaleigh with her certificate. Well done Rosaleigh



10 - Alfred with his certificate. Well done!





11 - Alys with her celebration certificate this week



12 - Robbie and Zion with their wonderful certificates.



13 - Well done to Lewis and Valentino on your celebration awards this week



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15 - Our wonderful year 5 and year 6 children athletics team! Well done all.

## Our Last Story and Play sessions - Reception 2025

**Lanesend Primary School**

**STORIES, CRAFT,  
SONGS AND PLAY**

Come along to our final session to meet the team and get a feel for life in Reception here at Lanesend! This will be a Christmas themed session with Christmas craft, story, song and play to celebrate the 'Magic of Christmas'.

No need to book, just pop along for festive fun!

**Tuesday 3rd December**

**The Magic of Christmas**

**3.30pm - 4pm**



16 - This week is our last new intake Reception story and play session, 'The Magic of Christmas'



## Reading Newsletter - edition number 3

Autumn 3 2024

# ALL ABOUT READING



*Lanesend's tips, hints, shares and likes to help your child develop a love of reading.*

### In this issue:

- Visiting the library
- Year 3 and 4 tell us all about books!
- Why a book is better than a tablet.

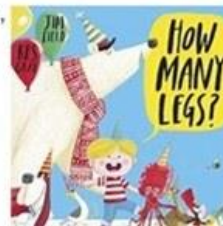
Evie, Layla, Sofia, Ronnie, Rory, Summer, Mamie, Benjamin, Griffyn and Orion told Mrs Wall had a lovely book chat with Mrs Wall—"I love **Isabella Moon** because she's half fairy and half vampire. I read at bedtime and at any other time I can!"

"I like lots of books. I like books about dinosaurs best because I like finding out facts about them."

"I like fact books too—especially facts about the world. And I love **Dr Seuss** books—he's my favourite author."

### Why is a book better than a tablet?

- ♦ They don't need charging.
- ♦ They are a lovely way to share a bit of quality time with your child.
- ♦ They don't have other distractions—such as games.
- ♦ They don't count towards 'screentime' so they are better for your child's developing eyes.
- ♦ You can easily tell if they are age appropriate for your child.
- ♦ They don't have to include anybody else.
- ♦ They are free to borrow from a library, or to swap



caster—my teacher last year loved her too! I think my teacher now might like a book about Harry Styles."

"I like non-fiction books best, Books about animals and space."

"I like books based on films that I've seen or Search and Find books. I'm reading **Charlotte's Web** and I realised that my teacher borrowed one of the character's names for our English!"

"I don't have any books at home."

"I went to the library once when I was little."

"I love the **Nothing to see here hotel**. It is so funny."

"I love **The Creakers**, we read it at school in year 3—it was really good."

**The 26th Storey Treehouse** is my favourite. It really makes me laugh."

## Why visit the library?

1. Joining your local library is free.
2. Children change their interests rapidly and are always on the lookout for something new. Going on a weekly trip to the library can help you out with this—for no money at all!
3. It lets children try a new author or type of book with no commitment.



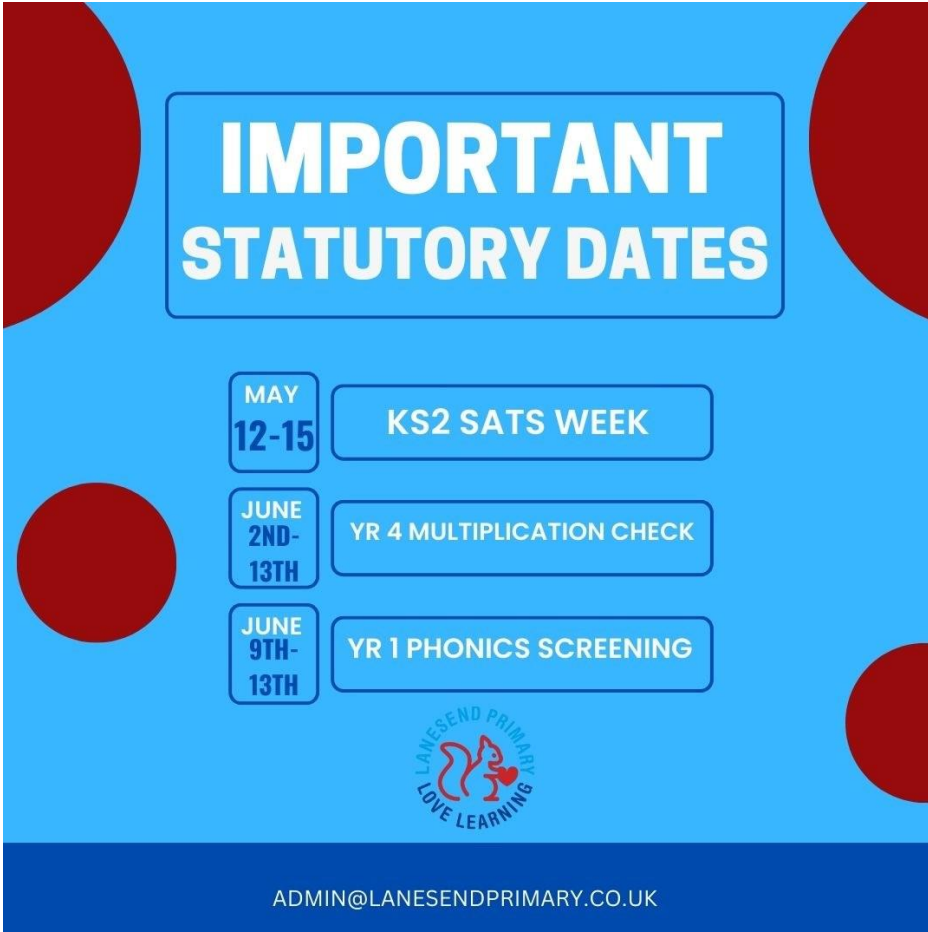
## Dates for the Diary








- Thursday 5th December - Choir performing at the Christmas Light Switch on 4.30pm outside Sainsburys and then 5pm at the Pontoon Bar where Santa will also be a special guest!
- Tuesday 17th December - Christmas Movie Night run by Lanesend PTFA - no Dance Live this day
- Thursday 19th December - Christmas Lunch for children and Christmas Mufti - £1 donation to Lanesend PTFA
- **Friday 20th December - Last day of term**



**IMPORTANT  
STATUTORY DATES**

<b>MAY 12-15</b>	<b>KS2 SATS WEEK</b>
<b>JUNE 2ND- 13TH</b>	<b>YR 4 MULTIPLICATION CHECK</b>
<b>JUNE 9TH- 13TH</b>	<b>YR 1 PHONICS SCREENING</b>

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17 - Here are some important Statutory Dates for 2025 for your diaries. Thank you.

### **Families into Lunch - Autumn Term**

<b>Week Commencing</b>	<b>Year Group</b>
7th October	6
14th October	5
4th November	4
11th November	3
18th November	2
25th November	1
2nd December	R

*18 - Year R families are invited into lunch w/c 2nd December - lunch is 11.45am*

## **Attendance**

Butterflies	91.4%
Ladybirds	93.0%
Dormice	96.7%
Dragonflies	97.0%
Hedgehogs	95.8%
Robins	96.2%
Magpies	96.2%
Otters	87.5%
Badgers	95.1%
Owls	96.3%
Dolphins	95.8%
Foxes	92.9%
Swans	97.4%
Deer	93.2%
Eagles	92.6%
Sharks	89.8%

### **Attendance Reminders:**

- Collection information: If your child is not collected on time from school this will be raised as a safeguarding concern.

- Late arrivals: You will be asked why your child is late and we send late texts to children who are late in to school. School start time is 8.20am-8.30am and finish time is 3pm for all. Thank you.



*19 - This week's attendance sticker data!*

### Changes to Truancy Penalty Notices (TPNs) for non-school attendance

The Department for Education (DfE) introduced a new National Framework for Truancy Penalty Notices, taking effect from 19 August 2024. A summary of the changes are detailed below.

#### Per parent, per child

TPNs will be issued to each parent, for each child that was absent from school without prior approval by the school.

For example – three siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving three separate TPNs

#### Five days of term time leave

TPNs will be issued for term time leave of five or more days which have not been authorised by the school.

#### 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period

TPNs will be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.

<b>First period of unauthorised absence exceeding 10 sessions (within a rolling three-year period).</b>	The first time a TPN is issued for unauthorised absence from school the cost will be £160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days, reduced to £80 per parent if paid within 21 days.
<b>Second period of unauthorised absence exceeding 10 sessions (within a rolling three-year period)</b>	The second time a TPN is issued for unauthorised absence from school the amount will be £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.
<b>Third period of unauthorised absence exceeding 10 sessions (within a rolling three-year period)</b>	For a third period of unauthorised absence a TPN will not be issued, and the case will be presented to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child.

The education welfare service works with families experiencing attendance issues. If you are struggling with your child's attendance (other than holidays) and need support, please contact the team 01983 823151 or EWS@iow.gov.uk



Truancy Penalty Notices (TPN's) explained:- These may be issued if you take your child out of school for unauthorised absences such as holidays but also consists of 10 sessions of unauthorised absences for O (unauthorised absence) and U (after registration closes) codes. U codes are used when a child has arrived after registration has closed. 10 U or O codes could result in a TPN being issued. If anyone would like to know your child's current attendance or how many unauthorised absence sessions they currently have, they please contact [mdyer@lanesendprimary.co.uk](mailto:mdyer@lanesendprimary.co.uk). Thank you.

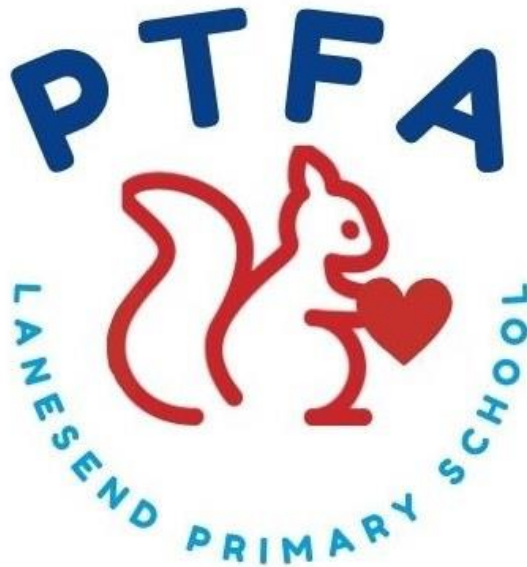
## Christmas Raffle

**Thank you for everyone who has returned their completed raffle tickets with their money.** We have plenty more books/tickets to sell so if you would like more sent home please email: [MDyer@lanesendprimary.co.uk](mailto:MDyer@lanesendprimary.co.uk) or call school and ask for Maddie.





## PTFA news...



**Our wonderfully new formed PTFA are organising a Christmas Movie Night on Tuesday 17th December after school to raise funds for the school.** They would love to raise money for our Reception play area, trips and much more. A wish list for funds will be released in January as well as a planned event calendar for the events they will be running and then they will update families at the end of the year with how much they raised and what was brought for the school with the funds.

**Just a reminder to please return the slip with the cash to your child's teacher or the office in a NAMED sealed envelope by Monday 9th December at the latest.**

**If you can help on this day at all please message the PTFA Facebook group to sign up.** There will also be a sign up sheet on the office door please write your name down if you can help at this event.

Do you know of any businesses who could support or donate items to the PTFA? Drop us a Facebook message if you can help. Thank you.

**The next meeting is Thursday 5th December at 8.45am. Please join us if you can to discuss all things Christmas Movie Night and more!**

## E-Safety Poster - Snapchat

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by Mental Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](https://nationalcollege.com).

### What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

# SNAPCHAT

**AGE RESTRICTION 13+**

Snapchat is a messaging app which allows users to send images, videos and texts to others. Its best-known feature is that anything sent 'disappears' 24 hours after it's been viewed; however, users are known to take screenshots or use another device to obtain a photo of their screen. In 2023, Snapchat added a chatbot function called 'My AI'.

#### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

##### ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

My AI is Snapchat's new chatbot, which replies to questions in a human-like manner. However, the software is still in its infancy and has significant drawbacks, such as biased, incorrect or misleading responses. There have already been numerous reports of young users turning to AI for medical help and diagnoses, which could be inaccurate and therefore potentially dangerous.

##### PREDATORS AND SCAMS

Predators can exploit Snapchat's disappearing messages by, for example, telling a user they have naked photos of them and will post them unless they're paid. Snapchat's own research found that 85% of teenagers had experienced this – on this app or others. This likely isn't helped by 'Snapmaps' – a feature which highlights your exact position in real-time. This is meant to help friends keep track of each other, but could be used for more sinister reasons.

##### MY EYES ONLY

Snapchat has a hidden photo vault called 'My Eyes Only'. Teens can conceal sensitive photos and videos from parents and carers in this folder, which is protected by a PIN. You can check for this by clicking on the icon which looks like two playing cards. This takes you to the 'Memories' folder which stores photos, stories and the My Eyes Only folder.

##### SCREEN TIME ADDICTION

Snapchat prioritises user engagement, with features like streaks (messaging the same person every day to build up a high score). The app also has sections called 'Discover' and 'Spotlight', which show tailored content to each user. However, this could also be seen as an attempt to hook users into watching videos endlessly. Furthermore, constant notifications can lure people into using the app.

##### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some content on Snapchat simply isn't suitable for children. The hashtags used to group content are determined by the poster, so even an innocent search term could still yield age-inappropriate results. The app's 'disappearing messages' feature also makes it easy for young people to share explicit images on impulse – so sexting continues to be a risk associated with Snapchat.

##### ONLINE PRESSURES

Although many of Snapchat's filters are designed to entertain or amuse, the 'beautify' effects on photos can set unrealistic body image expectations – creating feelings of inadequacy in younger users. Snapchat now also has 'priority' notifications (which still get displayed even if a device is in 'do not disturb' mode), increasing the pressure on users to log back in and interact.

### Advice for Parents & Educators

#### UTILISE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Snapchat's 'Family Centre' lets you view the details of the child's account – their friends list and who they've spoken to in the last week – and report any concerns. You must invite a child to the Family Centre for them to join. To keep the child's location hidden on the app, go into settings and turn on 'Ghost Mode' and 'Hide Live Location', and ensure they know not to share their location with anyone.

#### BLOCK AND REPORT

If a stranger does connect with a child on Snapchat and begins to make them feel uncomfortable through bullying, pressure to send explicit images or by sending sexual images to them, the child can tap the three dots on that person's profile and report or block them. There are options to state why they're reporting that user – such as annoying or malicious messages, spam or masquerading as someone else.

#### FAMILIARISE YOURSELF

Before you allow a child to download Snapchat, download it yourself and familiarise yourself with the app. Snapchat has produced a parents' guide to the app to help you understand how it works and any protections they have in place. A link for this can be found in the sources below.

#### ENCOURAGE OPEN DISCUSSIONS

Snapchat's risks can be easier to handle if you nurture an open dialogue. For example, discuss My AI's responses to questions and how reliable they are. Talk about scams and blackmail before letting children sign up. If they're lured into a scam, encourage them to tell you immediately. Talk openly and non-judgementally about sexting, emphasising its inherent risks. Furthermore, explain how popular 'challenges' on the platform can have harmful consequences.

#### Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.

Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/snapchat-2021>

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20 - Some helpful tips for families around Snapchat app

## RSPCA'S Christmas Pet Box Appeal

We are supporting the RSPCA's Christmas Pet Present Appeal again this year. This was so popular last year and the children donated some wonderful items for our Pet Christmas Gift

Boxes from Lanesend to the RSPCA as you can see from last year's Christmas photo how lovely the boxes were. These were given to the animals on Christmas Day to make their day special.

**We are asking for donations again for this Christmas. If you would like to take part please bring any donations to the office by Friday 13th December so that we can make up the boxes ready for collection by the RSPCA. A huge thank you to Otilie, Marnie, Finlay, Alice, Vasco, Alana, Dotty, Harry, Griffyn, Jenny-Rose, Colton, Phoebe, Emmy and Sebastian for your kind donations.**



21 - Here is a list of desired items from the RSCPA if you wish to donate any items for the appeal.



22 - Our children with the kind donations and boxes from last year's appeal 2023.





23 - Thank you to Vasco for your kind donations



24 - Thank you to Alana for your kind donations



25 - Thank you to Dotty for your kind donations





26 - Thank you to Sebastian for your kind donations

## Community News and Events



*Cowes Community*  
**PANTRY**

Unit 1 Seaways  
Seaview Road  
Cowes  
PO31 7US

Tuesday's 10.00 - 12.00  
Thursday's 17.00 - 18.00  
Saturday's 17.00 - 18.00

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# SANDOWN SUNDAY SOCCER

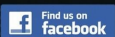


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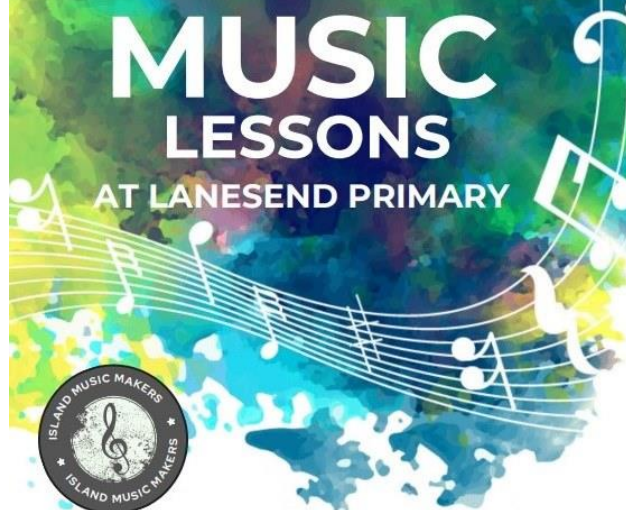
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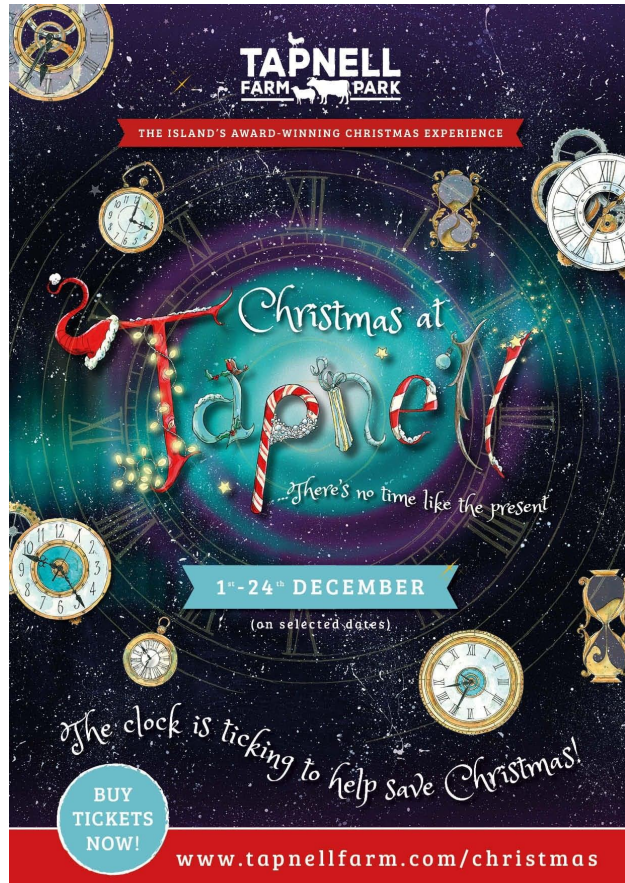


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Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 2:30pm

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**SUNDAY: 8:00-17:00**



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Monday:	09:00 – 17:00
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Hampshire and Isle of Wight

# Think Pharmacy First

You can now take your child to your local pharmacy to get treatment for these five common conditions:

- Ear ache (children aged 1-17)
- Sore throat (over 5s)
- Infected insect bites (over 1s)
- Impetigo (over 1s)
- Sinusitis (aged 12 and over)

By going straight to your local pharmacy you can have a consultation with a trained pharmacist and receive advice and even medication (if appropriate).

Get your child on the road to recovery and back to school sooner with support from your local community pharmacy.

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## Communication & Language Drop-In Session

**Free  
Event!**

Please take  
part in our  
simple survey.  
Every response  
matters!



**Weds 27th Nov 2024**  
**10.30am-12.30pm**  
**Ryde Library**  
101 George St,  
Ryde  
PO33 2JE

Free £10 grocery  
voucher for all  
who attend, fill  
out our survey &  
complete a  
feedback form!

An amazing opportunity to meet  
Communication & Language experts  
on the Island!

Cake, biscuits and glitter tattoos  
free on the day!

Come along and have a chat, have  
your views heard and questions  
answered

Professionals available on the day:

Nadine West - Barnardo's,  
Will - Dadzclub

Justine Turner & Becca Burr - Speech & Language Team

Andrew - Parents Voice

**Find out more or request transport using the details below**



[familyinfohub.iow.gov.uk](http://familyinfohub.iow.gov.uk)



[IWfamilyinfohub](https://www.facebook.com/IWfamilyinfohub)



[rosie@aspireryde.org.uk](mailto:rosie@aspireryde.org.uk)



## Move on and Thrive Youth Empowerment Fund

SNG Youth Empowerment Fund is aimed towards young people living on the Isle of Wight, who need a bit of help to 'Move on and Thrive'!

Young people between 16-25 years old could receive up to £250 to help with travel, personal development, health & well-being, digital inclusion & moving into a new property.

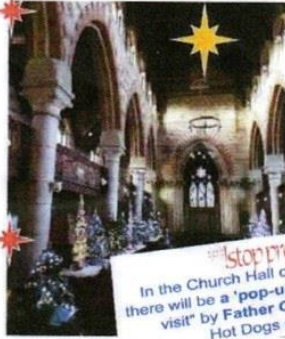
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# COWES CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

at

ST.MARY'S CHURCH COWES

Friday 13th to Sunday 15th December



*stop press!*  
In the Church Hall on Saturday 14th  
there will be a 'pop-up' market, a "flying  
visit" by Father Christmas and  
Hot Dogs served!!

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. each day  
(including Sunday)

Refreshments available

Tea, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Cakes, etc.

FREE ENTRY

WHEELCHAIR ACCESS





You are warmly invited to

**COWES**  
**LATE NIGHT**  
**CHRISTMAS SHOPPING**  
**EVENING**

On

**THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024**

From 4.30pm – 8pm

A selection of carols will be performed by  
Lanesend Primary School Choir outside  
Sainsbury's from 4.30pm, followed by the

**FESTIVE LIGHTS**  
**SWITCH-ON**

With additional entertainment in the High Street  
& Bath Road area throughout the evening

**FREE PARKING** in Cross Street Car Park between 4pm – 9pm

ALL ARE WELCOME



[www.cowestowncouncil.org.uk](http://www.cowestowncouncil.org.uk)



Winter 2024/2025

## Newsletter

FREE  
until  
JAN 25



### Understanding the Teenage Brain

Watch this recorded session in your own time, to learn why our teens think, feel and behave very differently from adults and how we can support them.

Thursday  
5th Dec  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



### Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

Tuesday  
17th Dec  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



### Facing Defiance

Effective interventions for handling defiant behaviour. ADHD, ODD and PDA relevant as well as regular challenging behaviour. Introduction to the FACE programme - Facing Defiance - 6 week course

Tuesday  
7th Jan  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



### Anxiety-Based School Avoidance

Understanding and supporting children who are anxious about school. Steps you can take to help them back into the classroom.

Thursday  
9 Jan  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



### AUTISM:

#### Improving Communication

Looking at how small changes in how we communicate with children on the spectrum can lead to big improvements.

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[info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk](mailto:info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk)



## WINTER TIMETABLE

Talks are delivered online via zoom 7pm to 9pm £24 each

If you can't make the date ask for the link to the recording, available for 48 hours afterwards

Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)  
go to the PARENT page

<b>FREE - Decreasing Depression</b> <b>FREE - Anxiety Explained</b>	<b>25 NOV</b> <b>20 JAN</b>
What is ACT?	26 NOV, 21 JAN
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	28 NOV
Supporting a Child with ADHD	5 DEC, 2 JAN
Understanding Anger	16 DEC, 13 JAN
Facing Defiance	17 DEC, 14 JAN
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	19 DEC, 16 JAN
Anxiety-Based School Avoidance	7 JAN
AUTISM: Improving Communication	9 JAN
Raising Self-Esteem	27 JAN
Supporting Healthy Sleep	28 JAN
Improving Family Communication	4 FEB
Introduction to OCD	18 FEB

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## Santa's Grotto and Winter Wonderland

**Friday 13th, Saturday 14th, Sunday 15th December**  
**4 - 6:30pm**



**Yarmouth Guide and Scout Hall,  
Mill Road, Yarmouth**

•all funds raised go to the running of the Guide and Scout Hall•



Wildheart Wonderland

Join us for a magical experience this December!

Santa needs your help with an urgent mission... Come and join his team of Elves this Christmas at the Sanctuary to help to save Christmas!

**Selected dates**  
14th, 15th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd December 2024

**Daily start times**  
10:30, 11:00, 11:30, 12:00, 13:00, 13:30, 14:00, 14:30

Each Wildheart Wonderland experience is approximately 1 hour long, and the price also includes entry into the Sanctuary for the rest of the day.  
This event is suitable for children aged 3+

**Tickets**  
Children £20 | £15 each for accompanying adults.  
Members: Children £16 | £11 for accompanying adults.

Book your tickets today!  
[wildheartanimalsanctuary.org](http://wildheartanimalsanctuary.org)

In collaboration with Enchanted Isle

S.H.E.L.F.



EXPLORE  
SOUTHAMPTON'S  
SNOW WINDOWS  
TRAIL

29<sup>TH</sup> NOV – 31<sup>ST</sup> DEC

Magical snow scenes for you to discover!  
OPEN 10AM – 5PM (CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY AND BOXING DAY)

Brought to you by  
**Visit Southampton**

Sponsored by  
**Brackenwood**

Windows artwork by  
**SNOW WINDOWS**

For more information visit: [visitsouthampton.co.uk/christmas](http://visitsouthampton.co.uk/christmas)





**NEWPORT CARNIVAL**  
**Christmas Parade**

**COMMENCES AT 5PM**  
**SATURDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024**  
**FORMS UP AT CHURCH LITTEN\* FROM 4.15PM**

**Featuring**  
 Various Local Bands • Royalty & Community Floats • Emergency Services  
 Lanterns • Schools & Clubs • Walking & Dance Groups • Young Farmers  
 Modern & Vintage Vehicles • Plus so much more!

**Route**  
 Left into South Street • Right into St James' Street • Left into Pyle Street • Right into High Street • Left into Quay Street • Finish on The Quay

**Come & take part!**  
 It's a great time to get involved.  
 Plenty of local shops also open until late.

\*Unless otherwise instructed

**NEWPORT CARNIVAL**  
 & COMMUNITY EVENTS ASSOCIATION

For more information, route map & to donate online, visit  
**NEWPORTCARNIVAL.COM**  
Weather permitting • Any cancellations will be posted on facebook.com/newportcarnival



**Gymnastics & Trampoline Fun Days!**  
**Christmas Holiday Clubs!**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2024**  
**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

**10:00 – 15:00**

**Sea Cadets Cowes,**  
**Whitegates, Arctic Road, Cowes, PO31 7PG**

**£28 per Child for the Whole Day**  
**(£26 for Little Rocket Gymnasts)**

Please Bring a Packed Lunch and Drinks and Wear Suitable  
 Clothing (Leotard / Shorts & T-shirt and Socks)  
**A tuck shop for sweets and drinks will also be available**

**HOW TO BOOK**  
 Please go to <https://little-rockets.class4kids.co.uk> to book  
 your place on line.

If there are any queries please contact Christy on **07518 335319**  
 Thank you ☺