



A message from Mrs Wathen & Mr Spink.....

There is nothing more heart-warming than walking around school to the sound of children rehearsing songs for performance. This week all classes have been involved in rehearsals to ensure that they are ready for Christmas performances next week—an ageold tradition in many a primary school. The performances are as follows: Tuesday at 9:15am—Early Years Performance; Wednesday at 2:15pm—KS1 Performance; Thursday at 9:00am—LKS2 Christmas Songs and Thursday at 2:15pm (a time change)—UKS2 Christmas Songs. All performances will take place in the hall and you can gain entry to the hall via the front/main entrance. We hope to see as many of you as possible so you can enjoy the singing as much as we have enjoyed listening to the rehearsals. On Friday (the last day of term) the children will be enjoying Christmas parties in their classrooms and as soon as lunchtime is over, the gates will be unlocked so you can collect your children at 1:00pm—

an early finish. Please be sure to pick up your child/children on time.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday as usual.

Attendance Matters

Whole school attendance is 89.3% this week.

Remember we are aiming for 96% or above.

Our Biscuit Bears went to **2HW, 2NI & 3NB** for the best attendance this week.

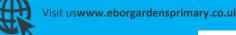
N— 88%	Rec 1— 93%	Rec 2— 78%	1HM- 89%	1FA— 91%	2HW— 96%	2NI— 96%	3NB—95%
3JH— 88%	4LB— 91%	4RM— 88%	5HW- 92%	5GA— 89%	6NP— 89%	6CH—82%	00















News and Events this half term.....



Autumn/Spring Term 2022 Dates



Here are some upcoming events for your diary:

Tuesday 13th December 2022—EYFS Christmas Performance

Wednesday 14th December 2022 — KS1 Christmas Performance

Thursday 15th December 2022—

LKS2 & UKS2 Christmas Performances

Thursday 15th December 2022—

Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 16th December 2022—Christmas Parties in school

Friday 16th December 2022—

School closes for Christmas holiday at 1:00pm.

*** Please collect your children on time. ***

Wednesday 4th January 2023—

School reopens for Spring Term









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Winter Fair

On **Wednesday 7th December** We held our Winter Fair. It was an absolute delight to see so many of you turn up to join in the merriment and support our school community. The total raised from the Winter Fair is £1238.86. That is an amazing amount!

All proceeds from the Winter Fair will contribute to school funds and to continue the improvement of our outdoor play spaces. The two remaining raffle unclaimed prizes have gone to the following winning tickets:

PINK 631-635

BLUE 166-170.

Please come to reception to collect your prizes.

Group A streptococcus: tonsillitis, scarlet fever and impetigo

As is typical for this time of year, we currently have a few cases of the above illnesses in our children, across especially our younger year groups. Understandably, if you are following the news at the moment, many parents are concerned about their child's health where serious illness and even death are being attributed to Group A streptococcus (Strep A). Group A streptococcus (GAS), is a common bacteria which causes a number of infections common in children – including tonsillitis, scarlet fever and impetigo. As we all know, children typically get well from these infections within days of falling ill, but in rare cases the infection can become more serious. We obviously want to ensure everyone is safe and well, so are asking parents to follow the guidance below:

If your child is unwell with symptoms associated with Strep A (high temperature, a sore throat and swollen neck glands) please keep them at home until they are well

Seek medical advice from your GP, in case your child needs antibiotics to recover

Tell us if your child has been confirmed as a Group A streptococcus infection, so that we can report any rise in cases to the Local Health Protection Team.



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UK Health Security Agency



Should I keep my

child off school?



Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over		
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode		
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.		
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics		
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared		
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started		
Scabies	they've had their first treatment		
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics		
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics		



but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever		
Head lice	Tonsillitis		
Threadworms	Slapped cheek		





Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.



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