

FRIDAY FLYER

Happy Friday Everyone

WHAT A WEEK IT HAS BEEN! In the very best sense of the words – it has been festive; it has been busy but most of all it has been truly humbling. The staff and children here at MPS work incredibly hard and I am always absolutely amazed and inspired by everyone every day. In this lead up to the last week of term we have lots to look forward to. I am incredibly excited for the KS2 Carol Service on Wednesday 18th December and warmly extend the invite to everyone in our school community.

I was treated to an incredible spectacle on Wednesday night as I saw the lights go up for the opening night of KS1's performance of 'The Very Hopeless Camel'. A magnificent show with some real standout stars – I particularly enjoyed marvelling at the delicacy of the stars, the clarity of our amazing narrators and the sheer ferocity of Herod! A huge well done to everyone in the KS1 team – both adults and children alike – it was an amazing production and I know everyone in the audience thoroughly enjoyed themselves – HARRUMPH!

On Thursday, we had our SIAMS inspection – a Church of England-led inspection seeking to check on our Christian foundation and status as a C of E school. More information on the outcome of this will be shared in the New Year. However, Mr Jefferson, Mrs Chance and I were all very proud (as always) of how the staff and children were on the day.

I was also crazy enough (who knew?!) to take Pine Class for a spot of filming on Iping Common in order to finish our class focus on Macbeth. It was wonderful to bring a bit of drama to our English lessons and the children really enjoyed playing the various characters within the Scottish play. Iping Common acted as a perfect double for a dreary heath in Scotland and the weather for once was perfectly grey!

Today, I am also incredibly excited for our Vicar's Award assembly – the half termly assembly where we acknowledge the hard work of a select group of children who embody all of our Christian values on a daily basis. We look forward to celebrating with these children in our FAB Worship later today and then again through the Forest School Vicar's Award treat in the woods on Wednesday morning.

As I write, the school is buzzing with excitement for all that next week brings but I hope you find a moment of peace and stillness over the weekend ahead. As my daughter keeps reminding me, only 12 days to go now – good luck everyone!

With every best wish

Scott on behalf of Mark

SOCIAL MEDIA



Last week we launched our brand-new Facebook page as a way of sharing the wonderful things we get up to in school. If you haven't already, search for Midhurst C of E Primary School, look for the new logo and follow the page to keep up to date with school life!

If you do not wish your child to be included in any photos on our Facebook page, please pop into the school office and amend your permission form.

HELP AT CHRISTMAS

The period of Advent as we prepare for Christmas can be a difficult time for many of us. I would like to remind you that there are many ways we can help. If you are finding this time of preparation difficult, please do come and talk to us. Here are some ways we can help.

- A fortnightly free bus to Chichester Kirsty Hewitt, our Family Support Worker, has organised a free fortnightly shopping bus service to Chichester for our parents.
- Food bank vouchers we can offer confidential help and support in accessing the food bank.
- Support in accessing Ten Little Toes Baby Bank charity to help fund stocking filler presents.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! HOT LUNCHES FOR THURSDAY 16 JANUARY 2025



Please can we remind all parents of children in Acorn, Birch and Hazel classes (Year R-2) to book a hot lunch for the Spring census day on Thursday 16 January. The booking deadline is Thursday 2 January which is still in the holidays, so please make sure you select either a burger or macaroni cheese before then. If you don't select an option by the deadline the school will choose the burger for your child. School lunches cost £3.09 each and the UIFSM grant is only £2.58 per meal so we need the maximum grant possible to see us though the year, and we only receive the grant if your child takes a meal. Thank you.

PLEA FOR SPARE UNIFORM

We like to keep a stock of spare uniform in school to support out children. If you have any items of uniform, you no longer need, please do consider donating them to school. We are currently in need of

- Jogging bottoms all sizes
- Girls pants 6-8yrs
- Boys pants 6-10yrs
- Carrier bags

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY!

Tuesday 17th December is Christmas Jumper Day! You don't necessarily need a jumper but a anything Christmassy will do!

THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER BRIEFLY AFTER SCHOOL – MESSAGE TO PINE CLASS PARENTS.

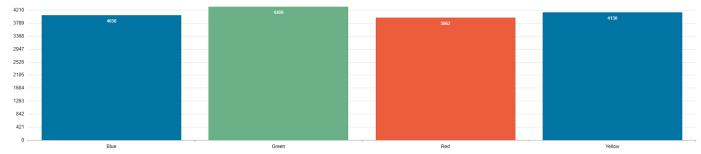
On Thursday 19th December we will be hosting a mini art gallery in the Pine Classroom after school so the children can show off their hard work in both Art and DT – we have been busy making Tudor self-portraits and decorative frames and look forward to sharing these with you all.

BEHAVIOUR POINTS

Congratulations to Maple Class for gaining the most Reward Points this week with 200 points. Well done Maple Class!

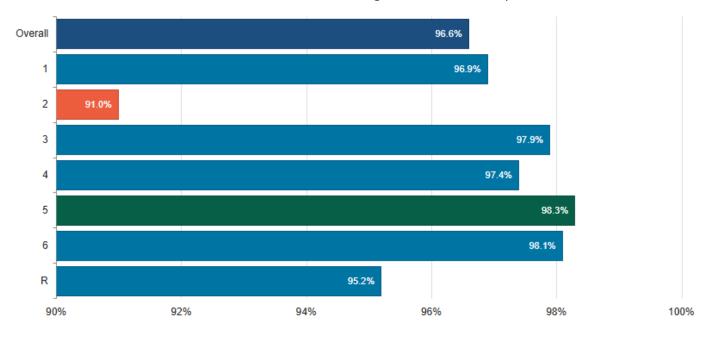


Congratulations to Rother House who are currently in the lead with 4309pts.



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

This week's overall attendance is 96.6% 1.6% above our target of 95% and an improvement on last week.



THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE CHAMPION

Congratulations to Pine Class, this week's attendance champions with 98.3%! Great job Pine Class!

THE TRAGEDY OF MACBETH

Images of our trailer (in Production)

TRAILER

COMING SOON!

PINE CLASS STUDIOS



DIARY DATES

Date	Event/Activity	Details
Monday 16 th	Hazel & Beech - PE today	Please come in PE kit
December	Maple, Beech & Oak to MRC	am
	Panto	
	Littlewoods for Birch class	Group 2
	Pendean - Carol singing	2pm - Some of school choir involved
	Dance club	3.30-4.30pm
Tuesday 17 th	Birch, Hazel & Maple - PE today	Please come in PE kit
December	School Christmas Lunch – own	Christmas clothes welcome today!
	clothes day	
Wednesday 18 th	Beech, Pine & Oak - PE today	Please come in PE kit
December	Forest School – Vicar's award	By invitation
	Carol Service – in church	6.30pm – children arrive at 6.20pm please.
Thursday 19 th	Birch & Oak - PE today	Please come in PE kit
December	Art club for Maple and Beech	3.30-4.30pm
	Board game club for KS2	3.30-4.15pm
	Dance club	3.30-4.30pm
Friday 20 th	Winter Fun Day – own clothes	Activities during the day – no hot dinner today –
December	day	everyone needs a PACKED LUNCH.
LAST DAY OF TERM	PTA Raffle with mulled wine	3pm in school hall
	and mince pies	
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED		
Monday 23 rd Deceml	per – Monday 6 th January	
Monday 6 th January	INSET DAY	School Closed
Tuesday 7 th January	Back to School	Please bring your children in!
	Birch, Hazel & Maple - PE today	Please come in PE kit
Wednesday 8 th	Beech, Pine & Oak – PE today	Please come in PE kit
January		
Thursday 9 th January	Birch & Oak – PE today	Please come in PE kit
-	Forest School	Year 3 – group 1 (please bring in kit)
Friday 10 th January	Maple & Pine PE today	Please come in PE kit



PARISH CHURCH

Midhurst C of E Primary School LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS

The staff and pupils of Midhurst C of E Primary School would love to invite you to our KS2 Carol Service on Wednesday 18th December 2024 at 6.30pm.



RSVP to Jane at: office@midhurstprimary.co.uk or 01730 813526

A REVIEW OF THE VERY HOPELESS CAMEL BY OUR RESIDENT MACBETH, OLIVER B-F OF PINE CLASS:

KS1 Play Rating

KS1 did a play on the Very Hopeless Camel.

If you have not seen it, it is about a camel guiding the three kings, but would always get lost, and in the end the hopeless camel finds Jesus and the very hopeless camel is hopeless no more.

Most the children had no scripts in their hands and remembered the word except for the narrators that had scripts in their hand but that is understandable.

The children were smiling most the way through the show unless there were supposed to be grumpy or sad.

The children were great dancers but usually some children would have to come of set.

Some costumes were great and some were okay. The towns folk were only on for one scene so my final result is...

4.5 stars



PTA dates

DECEMBER THE 2ND -RAFFLE TICKETS GO ON SALE DROP OFF AND PICK UP.

DECEMBER THE 6TH -OWN CLOTHES DAY FOR A DONATION. PLEASE SEE LETTER.

DECEMBER THE 20TH -WINTER FUN DAY IN SCHOOL. RAFFLE DRAW, MULLED WINE AND MINCE PIES IN THE HALL AT PICK UP.

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Christmas Raffle *

Christmas goodie bags, multiple chances to wfn.

£1 for a strip of 5 tickets.
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Tickets on sale from the 2nd of December. *

Raffle draw on the 20th of December.

Christmas TREE FESTIVAL

at Midhurst Parish Church, GU29 9NT

ome & see the Trees..

Fri. 13th Dec. 1 - 5pm Sat. 14th Dec. 9am - 5pm Sun. 15th Dec 12noon - 5pm

FREE ENTRY!!

Refreshments available









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