



A message from Mrs Chambers

Dear Families,

Another busy week has passed and Christmas seems to be fast approaching. Next week will be in December – it doesn't seem possible! The children have continued working hard; I have seen lots of fantastic Maths mastery in lessons, some super reading and the children are excitedly talking about their Topics. Year 6 are really enjoying their Genius Hour projects – we have seen children volunteering with younger children in their classrooms, children planning to raise money for charities and children trying to persuade me to allow more pets in school! All of this encourages great independence and we couldn't be prouder of their passion and commitment to helping others.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Opal Playtime today – it was lovely to see so many families enjoying outside play (and the mud!) with their children.

Please don't forget our Christmas Fair on Thursday 7th December – we are very excited about the Reindeer!

We know that life is busy and we try to make communications with you as seamless as possible. For all dates this term, please see our term dates and School Calendar on our website (This will be continually updated): <https://www.reptonmanorprimary.co.uk/our-parents/school-calendar/>

Mrs Chambers
Head of School

Reminders:

- ❖ Please no glass drinking bottles in school please - Metal or plastic only please.
- ❖ We ask that all correspondence is sent via the office (office@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk), this includes emails to teachers. This will then be passed on accordingly. Emails will be responded to within normal working hours. We ask for two working days response time. For all urgent enquiries, please speak with class teachers at drop off/collection or call/pop in to the office.



Christmas!!!

Non-uniform day in exchange for a gift donation – Friday 1st December

All parents should now have received a link for Christmas dinner for children on **Wednesday 13th December**. Please ensure you have completed this before 1st December, as this is when Christmas orders will close.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DSYMQ7K>

Christmas card competition: Entries need to be on a **whole A4 piece of paper or card**, using pens, pencils or paints to create your card design. All entries must be labelled with the child's name, year group and class on the back.

Closes on Monday 4th December.

We have a fab Christmas fair planned for you all afterschool on **Thursday 7th December, from 3.30pm**. Come and meet the Reindeers, have a browse around our Christmas market and so much more!

Reception

- ❖ Next NCMP screening – 31st January
- ❖ Please can any clothing that is borrowed please be returned after usage.
- ❖ Can all reading books please be returned on a Friday ready for a new one on Monday please
- ❖ Christmas show: Tuesday 12th December, 2pm and Wednesday 13th December, 5pm



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| <p>Year 1</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ In term 2, we will not be completing outdoor learning every week like we did in term 1. Therefore, your child will no longer need to wear their outdoor learning clothes every Friday. If we do any outdoor learning sessions next term we will let you know prior if your child will need outdoor clothes. Please continue to send in outdoor shoes and a warm waterproof coat for OPAL playtimes. ❖ PE days are on a Monday and Tuesday. ❖ Please can any clothing that is borrowed please be returned after usage. ❖ Friday 1st: Year 3 will be completing their 'Big Answer' with an outdoor learning session which involves cooking a vegetable soup over a fire. We will discuss fire safety with the children before hand and every child will be closely supervised around the fire. A risk assessment has been completed and a member of staff with the appropriate qualifications for this activity will be leading the session. We will finish the session enjoying a cup of our soup whilst joining in some oral story telling. Please let your class teacher know if you would rather your child did not eat the soup. As it is non-uniform day, please ensure you send your child to school wearing clothes you are happy for them to wear for this activity or send them in with some clothes to change into. Children will also need a warm waterproof coat and wellies. |
| <p>Year 2</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ PE days will now be Tuesday and FRIDAY. Please no football kits to be worn on these days. ❖ Please send your child in with their 2 RWI books every Monday for changing. ❖ Please can any clothing that is borrowed please be returned after usage. ❖ Year 2 Nativity: Tuesday 5th December, 2pm and Wednesday 6th December. 5pm. Please ensure costumes are in by Monday 27th November. |
| <p>Year 3</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Our PE days are Wednesday and Thursday. ❖ Please ensure you sign your child's reading record daily. ❖ Pneuma Church trip – Wednesday 6th December. Please consent in Arbor. ❖ Year 3 Charles Darwin class assembly – Friday 1st December 9am |
| <p>Year 4</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Year 4 swimming will commence week beginning 31st October. This will be every Tuesday morning and will run up to an including Tuesday 28th November ❖ Reminders: When swimming finishes we will have PE on Wednesday and Thursday's ❖ Please can all children be reading and parents ensuring that books are signed |
| <p>Year 5</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Every week, the children will be lucky enough to have trumpet lessons with a specialist on <u>Tuesdays</u> ❖ Year 5 swimming will be every Wednesday morning and will run through term 2. Children should not be wearing any jewellery to swimming, this includes studs. If any children are unable to remove jewellery, they will not be able to participate. ❖ PE is on Monday and Wednesday |
| <p>Year 6</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Victorian Day 30th November - Children are invited to dress in Victorian clothing on this day as they experience a range of true-to-life workshop events. To make this experience as authentic as possible, we kindly request that children come dressed as Victorian children for the day. ❖ PE days remain Tuesdays and Fridays. ❖ Genius Hour Charity Fair - Wednesday 14th December. 3-4pm. Invite is extended to anyone from the community, family and friends to support some wonderful local projects. All planned and run by Year 6 children. ❖ PJ Day (Year 6 only) - Thursday 14th December (A genius hour project) £1 donation. More information to follow. |
| <p>Whole school</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Flu immunisations for all children will be held on Wednesday 29th November ❖ Classroom open afternoon – Friday 1st December 2.50-3.10pm 📌 Please be reminded that the front car park is for badge holders only |



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| | <p>✈ The school opens in the morning for children at 8.30am and the gate closes at 8.45am. In the afternoon the gate will open at 15.15pm for home-time (with the exception of extended care and clubs).</p> <p>✈ Please allow 2 working days for email responses. Should your query be of an urgent nature please do call the office.</p> <p>✈ Please ensure that you sign up for trips <u>before</u> the deadline.</p> <p>✈ ALL medications must be bought directly to the office. We ask the children do not come into school with medications in their bag please ✕</p> <p>Useful contacts: For attendance and absences email: attendance@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk For finance related queries email: finance@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk for all other queries email: office@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk</p> |
| <p>Pastoral and Inclusion</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Sing and Sign sessions at Repton Connect every Monday from 9am-2pm for 0-2 years. Songs, rhymes and baby signs helping babies to communicate before speech. ❖ Repton Tiddlers Toddler Group at Repton Connect every Friday from 9:30-11am. A great place for parents, carers, guardians, grandparents etc to meet up, chat and have a tea or coffee whilst the children play and make friends. ❖ Stay and Play at Waterside Children's Centre on 28th November, 5th and 12th December 2023. Sessions between 9:15-10:15am or 10:45-11:15am. This group is to play with your child and enable them to socialise with others, engage in experiences like active movement and singing. Suitable for children aged 0-4years. Term time only. ❖ Story, Songs and Signs at SureStart Children's Centre on 27th November, 4th and 11th December 2023 from 1:30-2:30pm. Come and enjoy stories together, learning signs and action songs. Sharing these with your child will encourage speech and communication both within the group and at home. Musical instruments also available during sessions. Term time only, drop in. ❖ Family Lives have a range of online parenting courses. Online parenting courses are a great way to get advice and learn new skills in the comfort of your own home and at times that suit you. All of the courses are filled with helpful techniques and ideas that will help you become a confident and happy parent. https://www.familylives.org.uk/how-we-can-help/online-parenting-courses ❖ Sign up for a free 'Understanding your child' course available for anyone caring for a child from birth to 18 years old in Kent. Use the access code Invicta to register. https://inourplace.co.uk/ ❖ Internet Matters have got a range of step by step guides on how to set up the right controls and privacy settings on devices, apps or websites to help give children a safer online experience. https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/broadband-mobile/ ❖ With Christmas fast approaching, we know that this can be a tricky time of year for some. If you are experiencing financial hardship and are in need of a food parcel, you can visit the Ashford Family Food Bank website https://www.familyfoodbank.org/ashford-ffb.html which will list all of the available distribution centres nearest to you. For more information or support, please contact Miss Crook (sarah.crook@reptonmanor.kent.sch.uk) |



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Community

ASHFORD CONCERT BAND PRESENTS

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL OF MUSIC

AN EVENING OF FESTIVE MUSIC, CAROLS & SINGALONGS, IN SUPPORT OF LOCAL CHARITIES

FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2023 - 7.30PM

Advance Tickets: £10 (adults), £5 (children)
Tickets on the door subject to availability: £12 (adults), £5 (children)

St. Mary's Church, Ashford Town Centre (TN23 1QG)
Purchase tickets in advance from www.ashfordconcertband.co.uk

Visit barracudas.co.uk or call 01480 467 567

Time for French

Christmas workshop

for primary school children Reception - Year 6

Sunday 10 December 2023
2.00-4.00pm

Repton Connect Community Centre
Ashford TN23 3RX

£25 per child
includes all craft material

For bookings or to find out more, please email
Marylinetimeforfrench@gmail.com
www.timeforfrench.co.uk

Fancy doing your Christmas shopping away from little ears and little eyes? Or having a couple of

You can do exactly that with festive, fun-filled 'Children will learn about Christmas traditions, crafts, and have lots

No previous knowledge of French required. Place

Venture camps

Ofsted

Christmas Party

Nerf Inflatables Christmas Games

18th-22nd December
9am - 4pm

For 5 - 11 year olds

(Drop off from 8:30am for no extra charge)

Join us for our Christmas Party Camps. 2 Day or 3 Day bookings available.

Please book early as spaces are limited and we anticipate these events filling up fast.

Book online: venturecamps.co.uk

MAKE A FORT, NINJA, ZORBS, Pirates

Spotlight Acting

CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP

spotlightacting21@gmail.com

£30 Per Day

07870 637005

20TH & 21ST DECEMBER
9AM - 3PM

Come Celebrate Christmas with Us
GODINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL ASHFORD

Sing, Dance & Act, Arts & Crafts, Storytelling & more...

Pneuma church - Big Christmas Dinner: Sign-up information for anyone who might be alone, homeless, or isolated. We provide a free meal, gifts for the children, and a festive family atmosphere for those who might not otherwise have a Christmas celebration.

Please note that last year we reached capacity long before the deadline. Guests can sign up via the QR code attached or via the link below:

<https://pneumachurch.churchsuite.com/events/rrbhf9n1>

Please note that all adults and children need to sign up individually, so we have an accurate head-count. Also, if you would like volunteer around or on the day, you can



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use the same link. If you have any questions, please email christmas@pneumachurch.uk