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Today, parents will have received a letter from our Co-Chair of Governors informing you that Hannah Curran will be the Acting Head Teacher as of 1st January 2019. Mrs Curran and I will write to you next Friday with further details of staffing arrangements for the Spring Term 2019.

West Wycombe Christmas Tree Festival 2018 is being held between the 5th and 11th December in St Paul's Church. Radnage Church of England VA School is entering one tree this year with contributions from all children on the theme of 'Christmas Around The World'. The project is being led by Mrs Stevens. As in previous years there will be an opportunity to vote for your favourite tree... need I say more!

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL



Key Dates



Stokenchurch Christmas Market – children to sing – at 3.00 pm on Saturday 1st December

PTA Christmas Film Night
3.30pm Thursday 6th December

Key Stage 2 Carol Concert
Tuesday 11th December 6:00 pm

Key Stage 2 Christmas Party
17th December from 12:15 pm

EYFS and Key Stage 1 Nativity
9:30 am Tuesday 18th December

EY & Key Stage 1 Christmas Party
18th December from 12:00 noon

School Closes for Christmas
1.30 pm Wednesday 19th December

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School opens for the new term
Thursday 3rd January 2019

PTA Disco – Village Hall
18th January 2019

Thank you for your continued support for the school.



As part of their Rainforest topic, Year 3 & 4 have been learning about the plight of orangutans and issues around palm oil. Following the recent banning of the Iceland advert, the children were keen to create posters to support the Greenpeace campaign to protect the deforestation and use of sustainable palm oil.

Quote of the week...

At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving the others with God's own love and concern.

Mother Theresa – Love: A Fruit Always in Season



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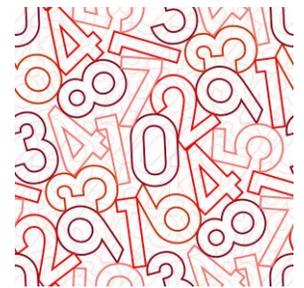
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Year 5 & 6 were delighted to welcome local Radnage resident Mrs Carpenter to school last Friday to talk about her family's experiences during the Great War. Thank you to Mrs Carpenter for giving up her time to come and speak to the children and she was rewarded with a tea dance performance from the children.



After much discussion about respect and our school's Golden Rules, I have been very impressed with the Year 5 & 6 pupils' attitude towards learning within PE this half term as we have tackled dance. The children have certainly been fulfilling the requirements of the National Curriculum for Physical Education by '*learning and performing dances using a range of movement patterns*' in the tea dance, cha cha and salsa. Not to be out done, Year 1 & 2 have been learning a wartime tea dance in PE too. Strictly has nothing on us!

The Department for Education have officially announced the introduction of a Multiplication tables check (MTS) for Year 4 pupils from 2020. The statutory assessment will be taken in the summer term by all Year 4 pupils in school. It will be completed on-screen. The assessment will test children's knowledge of times tables up to 12, with an emphasis on 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12 multiplication tables. Rest assured that teachers have always taught times tables and our children are well prepared for the new assessment as they progress through the school.



Thank you to Kate Sinclair for arranging and ordering all the Christmas cards that children created. I hope that you are all happy with the cards and other gifts you ordered.



The PTA Christmas Film Night is on Thursday 6th December straight after school. Don't forget to send your child to school with their onesie or pjs for the movies.



Advent starts on Sunday and the Christmas Card Post Boxes will go out in the corridors. If children would like to send cards to friends at school please can you ensure they go into the post box by Friday 14th December to guarantee delivery by the end of term.



Please can parents ensure that all children in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 have everything they need in their pencil cases. At this time of the year, we would ask that you check they have a working glue stick. Thank you.