



Dear parents and carers,

Thank you to the parents who joined us to watch the Somers Park Reception nativity performance yesterday. We have a number of events happening over the next couple of weeks- details of which can be found in the list of dates on the back of this letter.

We are often asked about taking photographs during performances. We believe these moments are important memories for your children and so are happy for you to take photos of your child for your own use. However, it is important to note that images of other children must not be put on social media of any kind as not all parents have given this permission. Images put on the school Twitter feed will only be of children for whom permission has been granted.

We are grateful for your support in this matter.

Parking

We know about the challenges of finding a parking space around school at drop off and pick up and of course, we encourage parents and children to walk to school where possible. However, if you are parking, please do so legally and considerately for our neighbours. We've had a couple of recent concerns raised about the impact this parking may have on the safety of your children.



Feeling festive in our Christmas jumpers

Tanzania- Feed a Child voucher

Ideal for Christmas presents, this year we are selling 'Feed a Child' vouchers for Chumbageni School in Tanzania. With this thoughtful gift, available for either £6 or £12, you can feed a child their uji meal for either 6 months or 12 months. The uji costs just 5 pence per child, per day! These are available from the school office at both of the schools.



The 'Feed a Child' vouchers look lovely and make perfect gifts.

The Chase- Admissions

The Chase High have requested that we inform parents of children due to start secondary school in September 2020 (current Year 5) that their Admissions Policy 2020/21 is out for consultation. A copy can be found here http://www.chase.worcs.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/Admissions-Policy-2020-21_Consultation.pdf

Coats please

Children must have coats in school- it's getting really cold and we need to ensure they stay warm when they are outside.

School Clubs

After school clubs have now finished for this term. Our fantastic range of extracurricular clubs will resume after the Christmas break.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Chris

Chris Hansen



Somers Park Diary Dates

Date	Event
Tuesday 11 th December	10am and 2pm- Nursery and Pre-school nativity to parents
Wednesday 12 th December	2pm and 6pm- Year 3/4 Christmas concert to parents @ Methodist Church
Monday 17 th December	Castle Winners non-uniform day
Tuesday 18 th December	Reception visit to Smart Trees
Tuesday 18 th December	2pm and 6pm- Key Stage 1 Christmas performance to parents
Wednesday 19 th December	2pm and 6pm- Year 5/6 Carol Concert to parents @ St Matthias Church
Friday 21st December	Last day of term- break up today
Monday 7th January	Term starts today- Children return



On Thursday, Year 6 worked at Malvern Vale Primary School for the day. It was great to have the younger and older children mixing so beautifully; a link we are going to continue to develop.

Malvern Vale Diary Dates

Date	Event
Wednesday 12 th December	10am and 2pm Christmas Nativity performance to parents- tickets needed.
Tuesday 18 th December	Malvern Vale Oak Class visit to Smart Trees
Friday 21st December	Last day of term- break up today
Monday 7th January	Term starts today- Children return



Sharing Christmas books in Year 4

Update from Mercian Educational Trust



Dear Parents,

I am pleased to announce that from 1st December, Dines Green Community Academy, Worcester, became part of Mercian Educational Trust.

Dines Green and MET have informally worked together for several months. This has included support to appoint a new headteacher, sharing of expertise and experience and teaching staff working at the school for short periods.

Dines Green is a rapidly developing school. This was recognised by OFSTED last month when HMI judged the school as no longer requiring Special Measures. It is now the joint mission of Dines Green and MET to ensure the school becomes an outstanding educational provider.

Dines Green becoming part of the MET family is an important milestone. The Trust now has over 1000 pupils in its care. This provides us greater opportunities for collaboration and to enrich the learning at all MET schools.

Dafydd Lawday
(CEO – MET Academies)

Community Links:
Malvern Vale Community Centre
Christmas Market

Saturday 8th December
12-4pm



YMCA
Malvern Vale Community Centre
Part of YMCA Worcestershire

**CHRISTMAS
MARKET
SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER
12-4pm**

Come join us for some festive fun!
Meet Santa 1pm - Mince pies & Mulled wine
Crafts - Stalls - Raffle & much more

ADULT FREE ENTRY - £2 PER CHILD INCLUDES FREE GIFT FROM
SANTA
Malvern vale Community Centre, Swinyard Rd, WR14 1GU

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