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**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025**

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Reward Assembly: Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 9.00am**

Our next reward assembly is on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November, during which the following children will be receiving their reward certificates (except Reception children who will receive their certificates in class):

Class	Citizen	Learner
Frog	Elvin Farid	Samuel Cosgrove
Newt	Evie Shaw	Josie McAdam
1Hedgehog	Cameron Pickett	Brooke Wagner
	Oscar Apsey	Herbie Hattsmith
1Mouse	Cody Sheppard	Jake Williams
	Amara Alexander	Phoebe Heath
2Squirrel	Aryan Sembhi	Archie Wood
	Elara Jukes	Emily Hewett
2Otter	Lucy McGowan	Noah McGirr
	Deeta Ravuri	Jaye Adebisi
3Badger	Freddie Greenway	Amiya Kennedy
	Dillon Alderson	Freddie Drew
3Mole	Teo Gjorgievski	Isla Vallance
	Hebe Mount	Luca Bryant
4Fox	Archie Carrick	Bella Armstrong
	Otis Keegan	Eleri Salvage
4Hare	Alana Pickett	Jetson-Blue Taylor
	Olivia Morgan	Amar Nandra
5Rabbit	Rory Tipper	Jack Webb
	Amelié Hubert	Marloe Bartley
5Deer	Bianca Guta	Aaron Jacob
	Henry Rubio	Georgina Mason-Smith
6Dolphin	Teddy Ordidge	Jude Pease
	Evangelos Spanias	Max Mason
6Seal	Harry Molyneux	Elias Smith
	Harvey Anderson	Jolaade Adebisi

Congratulations to all the children. Parents, carers, relatives and friends of children in Years 1 – 6 are welcome to attend the assembly on Wednesday at 9.00am.

**Reception children will receive their certificates separately, in class.**



### **Spelling Workshop: 26<sup>th</sup> November**

We regret to inform you that next week's planned spelling workshop is going to be cancelled, due to unforeseen circumstances. Rather than rearranging the date, we will record the information in video format. A link to this will then be sent out in a separate ParentMail. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

### **Parking Concerns: Church Car Park**

Please can I remind all parents/carers that we should not be parking in St Catherine's Church car park at anytime. We have received complaints from several parties about parents parking in the car park for drop-off and pick-up, and also when our evening performances are being held, meaning users of the church or church hall are unable to park. We understand that parking can be chaotic at busy times, but please consider parking further away and walking the short distance to school. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Christmas Post-boxes**

The Junior and Infant Christmas post-boxes will be available from **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December** for the children to send Christmas cards to their friends. Please would you check that your child(ren) have clearly marked on each envelope the name of the child they are sending the card to (2 names please – First and Surname), and the child's class and teacher. The Year 6 children will be arranging the delivery of the cards to the Junior classes, and the Year 2 children to the Infant classes. Please do not stick gifts on to the envelope.

The class names are as follows:

Miss Leverett/Mrs Tipper	Newt
Miss Thomas	Frog
Mrs Shipway/Mrs King	1Hedgehog
Miss Hipgrave	1Mouse
Miss Ball	2Otter
Mrs Jewell/Mrs Ayres	2Squirrel
Miss Burnett	3Badger
Mrs Seymour/Mrs Davis	3Mole
Mrs Jameson	4Fox
Mrs Lyon/Mrs Hoit	4Hare
Miss East	5Rabbit
Miss Tordoff	5Deer
Mr Cooling/Mrs Platt	6Dolphin
Miss Ballard	6Seal

### **Christmas Lunch: Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

We are pleased to let you know that Christmas dinner day in school will be Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. All orders need to be made online via the school meal ordering system. If you do not have an account already, you must register, upload funds and place your child's order online.

Please note there is a strict deadline for ordering Christmas dinner. All orders must be placed by midnight on **10<sup>th</sup> December**. Thank you.

### **Sickness/Diarrhoea**

In order to control the spread of sickness in school, please can parents/carers be reminded that they should keep their children off school for **at least** 24 hours following the last occurrence of sickness or diarrhoea, even if they are feeling better. Please be vigilant to the onset of symptoms, thank you.

### **Coats**

Now the weather has turned colder, please could you ensure your child/ren bring a coat to school to be worn at break time and lunch time. Thank you.

**Visitor badges**

Please would all parents/visitors who have been issued with a badge and may have forgotten to return it, hand it back into the office as they are expensive to replace. Thank you.

**Message from Mrs Burnard - SENCo**

We have had some excellent brochures delivered - South East Guide to SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities). We have many copies so please take one if you think your family or someone you know could benefit! Please collect one from outside the SEND office (just through the Lower Junior corridor double doors) or message me on Dojo or via email ([senco@birchcopse.co.uk](mailto:senco@birchcopse.co.uk)) if you would like one sent home in your child's bag. Thank you.

**Reminder: Toys and Teens Collection**

Thank you very much for the generous donations we have received so far for our Toys and Teens Appeal. The last date for donations is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

Yours sincerely,



Mr J Micklewhite