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Head Teacher's Message

What a busy term we have had! The children have taken part in lots of whole-class and team sporting events, competing against other schools and discovering new talents along the way. Our amazing choir gave wonderful performances at the Welwyn Village Christmas Lights Turn-On and at two residential homes, where I personally witnessed how much their singing meant to the elderly residents.

There has been so much learning happening across the school, with numerous class assemblies and plenty of muddy play outdoors! This week, the whole school enjoyed a fantastic trip to the pantomime at the Gordon Craig Theatre. I was especially proud of our Reception children, who coped fantastically and had a brilliant time. A big thank you to the PTA for funding the coaches that made this trip possible.

Finally, I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our end-of-term Christmas Sing-along next Friday. I am delighted to announce that we will be joined by a very special guest star, Mrs Fuller! After all, 8 Maids a-Milking just wouldn't be the same without her!

Class News – follow the links below to find out what has been happening in your children's classes. For Hazel class see Tapestry updates.

[Willow](#) [Pine](#) [Birch](#) [Sycamore](#) [Hawthorne](#) [Oak](#) [Maple](#)

Note from the office

We are pleased to let you know that our Spring Term clubs are now on the school website, and booking is live. Kindly contact clubs directly to book you children on. Here is a direct link to the clubs page: [CLUBS](#)

Note from the Eco Committee

The Wildlife Trust has launched its festive nature challenge, 12 Days Wild, which runs from 25th December until 5th January. Their idea is to get everybody outside in nature during the winter holiday period. It is free to sign up, and you will receive digital downloads which include:

- A wallchart to mark your progress
- A word scramble
- A wordsearch
- 12 wild ideas to help you plan
- Lots of extra activity ideas

Your wild acts could be little things to help nature—like recycling your Christmas tree, leaving fresh water out for wildlife, or feeding the birds. You can sign up via the link below:

<https://www.wildlifetrusts.org>



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I collected a tree pack at the weekend, thanks to Mrs Murley, all of which will be planted in the school grounds before we break for Christmas. As the trees—saplings, really—are small, please can you remind your children to stick to the pathways and not run over the grass banks to help the trees and keep both them and your children safe. The banks are becoming rather muddy, and this is in turn being transferred onto the pathways.

Bikeability

Willow Class have now all started their balance bike training with great success over the two sessions. Next term, we will be progressing our skills to enable us to change speed and direction and use our brakes rather than feet to stop, all whilst still being in control of the bike.

Reminders

- Children must not play on the steps, railings or grass bank at drop off and pick up time.
- Wellies and a change of socks in school are a must! It is also a good idea to have a spare pair of joggers or trousers.
- Please park considerately at drop off and pick up time. We have received several complaints from local residents, including photographic evidence of illegal parking. I have recommended they forward these photos to the council for appropriate action to be taken.

Upcoming diary dates

Half term: 27th - 31st October	
Wednesday 17th December	Whole school Christmas lunch day and Christmas jumper day
Thursday 18th December	Reception nativity 9:00 - 10:00 PTA Christmas event - after school
Friday 19th December	Whole school Christmas sing-a-long @ 13:30 End of term 14:00