



Newsletter

Friday 5th December 2025

Dear parents and carers

Christmas has definitely arrived at Felbridge! The trees are up, the classrooms have been decorated, Christmas songs are being sung and those cheeky elves are back causing mayhem!

In assemblies this week, we have been thinking about Advent and all of the things we do to prepare for Christmas. As an advent challenge, the children are trying to show an act of kindness every day in December, a slightly different take on an advent calendar, thinking about giving rather than receiving.

Thank you to all of the children who entered the Tandridge Learning Trust Christmas card competition - the Trust staff were very impressed by the quality of the art work. Well done to Hattie in Macaws class, whose design has been chosen for the card by the CEO of the trust, Rebecca Plaskitt.



There are two FoFPS events coming up - the children's discos today and our wreath making evening next week. Thank you to the team, as always, for the time and effort that goes into organising these events.

We are looking forward to all of our Christmas celebrations over the next two weeks. I do hope you can join us for our nativity play at school for Years R, 1, and 2 and our carol service at St John's Church for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 - both events, I have not doubt, will be very special.

On the last day of term, Friday 19th December, please join us in the playground for our annual festive sing at 1 pm. A reminder that it is an early finish on this day: 1.20 pm for Reception and Year 1, 1.25 pm for Years 2 and 3 and 1.30 pm for Years 4, 5 and 6.

Have a lovely weekend.

With best wishes

Emma Thorp

Term Dates

11th December
Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children

12th December
Year 1 visit to St John's Church

**10th December 5 pm and
11th December 9.15 am**
R, 1 and 2 Christmas Nativity

11th December 2 pm and 6 pm
3, 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Service at St John's

15th December
Year 1 Christmas party (am)
Year 5 and 6 Christmas party (pm)

16th December
Year 3 and 4 Christmas party (pm)

17th December
Whole school Christmas lunch

17th December
Year 2 Christmas party (pm)

18th December
Year R Christmas party (pm)

19th December
End of Term (Early finish)

5th and 6th January
INSET Days

7th January
Back to school

4th February
Year 6 Newhaven Fort

20th March
Comic Relief

Staffing Update

Miss Sowerby will be leaving Felbridge at the end of this term. I would like to thank Miss Sowerby for her contribution to the school over the last 2 ½ years and for all she has done for the pupils, staff and parents. Good luck in the future Lea!

Miss Georgia Matthews will be joining the teaching team in the Spring term to teach Monkeys class.

Lockdown Practice

As part of our health and safety procedures, we are required to practise a lockdown drill with the children. I wanted to let you know that we carried out a practice today, just in case your child talks about this at home. The way we explain this to the children is that it is the opposite of a fire drill - a situation where we all need to stay in the building. Examples we give: there is an animal in the school grounds, a helicopter needs to land on the field or there is some smoke outside. As you would expect, all of the children were incredibly sensible and we of course reassure everyone that there is nothing to worry about and it is just a practice.

Class Wishlists

R Geckos 1 Monkeys

2 Leopards

3 Pandas

4 Toucans

5 Macaws

6 Jaguars

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Toucans Class - Fishbourne Roman Palace

Last Wednesday, Toucans had an amazing time at Fishbourne Roman Palace. They took part in a Roman Workshop as well as having time to explore the mosaics and grounds. Gemma, our leader, was very impressed with our Roman knowledge and we even asked her questions that she had to go and look up!

Well done Year 4, it was a fantastic day!



Girls Football Tournament

Yesterday, our Year 5/6 girls took part in a football tournament, and we couldn't be prouder of their performance! They were fantastic representatives of our school, showcasing their sportsmanship and teamwork. They were incredibly enthusiastic and supportive, Well done Delphine, Beau, Sophia, Lexi, Autumn, Lilly and Margot!





Values Champion

Well done to the following children who have received certificates:

28th November

Geckos - Wynter for Compassion

Monkeys - Olivia for Courage

Leopards - Lily for All Values

Pandas - Seb M for Compassion & Challenge

Toucans - Stephanie for Compassion and Laila for Courage

Macaws - Harbor for Challenge & Courage

Jaguars - Katie for Creativity & Courage

5th December

Geckos - Aria for All Values

Monkeys - Samuel for All Values

Leopards - Ruby for Courage & Challenge

Pandas - Imogen for All Values

Toucans - Oliver for Challenge & Curiosity

Macaws - Alfie for Compassion


Jaguars - Ellie for Challenge & Creativity



Well done!

Mathletics: Monday, 17th November
to Sunday, 1st December

Mathletics

								
BRONZE		SILVER		GOLD		PLATINUM	EMERALD	DIAMOND
Monkeys Izzy III Indigo III Maisie III Leopards Edmund IV Tommy V Phoebe II Ella II Freddie IV Lily III Pandas Emma III Thea V Timos IV	Toucans Audrey III Florence IV Macaws Alex I Michael II Jaguars Casper II	Monkeys Rosie IV Samuel I Oscar I Aubrey V Cooper IV Leopards Teddy II Emilia III Rosie V Pandas Ollie IV Imogen IV Florence V	Toucans Elsie II Joel V Quinn III Macaws Lily V Rohan II Jaguars Charlotte III Jack V	Monkeys Dominic II Leopards Bethany I Alex I Lewis IV Billy III Joshua III Adaline III Iyla III Pandas Fionn II Holly III Seb M II Spencer III Florence I Seb W III Florence IV	Toucans Martha I Oliver I Jasmine III William II Jack I Freya III Macaws Shane II Alina II Frank IV Freddie I Finlay I Jaguars Autumn IV	Leopards Orson III Toucans Oscar III Macaws Jared III Jaguars Evan IV Bella IV		

Attendance

Attendance past 2 weeks:	Geckos:	Monkeys:	Leopards:	Pandas:	Toucans:	Macaws:	Jaguars:	Whole School:
	95%	94%	94%	91%	95%	96%	98%	94%

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CHRISTMAS FOOTBALL CAMP

Mon 22nd, Tues 23rd & Mon 29th,
Tues 30th December, 9.30am to 3pm

Camp aimed at Year 2 to Year 8 students,
all abilities welcome

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