



# Petersfield News

Friday 15 December 2023

Headteacher Crissy Hodgkinson



Season's  
Greetings

We wish all our families a very, very happy and healthy Christmas and very much look forward to welcoming you back to school in the New Year on Wednesday 3 January 2024.

May each of you have a restful, fun-filled break and we hope Father Christmas visits every one of you!

Season's Greeting from Everyone at Petersfield Infant School.



### **INSET Day**

A reminder that school will be closed for an INSET day on Tuesday 2 January 2024 with the Spring Term starting at 8.40am on Wednesday 3 January 2024. Active8 Wake Up Club will be open as normal from 7.30am.

### **Free Shop Friday**

Free Shop at the Hub at Petersfield Railway Station have let us know they will be open between 1.30pm and 3pm on Wednesday 27 December for an uniform-only day where you may top-up on any uniform requirements. If anyone has any donations of uniform, they will be gratefully accepted by Free Shop.

### **School Website**

Remember to check the website to see information and photographs as to what has been happening in your child's year group. Our Stars of the Week are also included. [Click here to view.](#)

### **Diary Dates**

Please [Click here for Diary Dates](#) to view new updates.

### **Christmas Tree**

A hearty thank you to Petersfield Town Football Club who very generously donated a magnificent Christmas tree for the School Hall. It looks absolutely wonderful and stands tall and proud in the Hall. Thank you ever so much Petersfield Town Football Club, we are extremely grateful.



### **Christmas Performances**

Thank you to all the families and friends that were able to come to this year's Christmas performances, it was a pleasure to see so many seats reserved! It was an absolute privilege to watch the children perform with such confidence, we are very proud of them all! Mrs Hodgkinson was very disappointed to have missed the second Year 2 Christingle Service due to a meeting commitment but was told how well everyone did from Mrs Amor.

### **Plea's for Year R!**

We are very short of socks and tights for both girls and boys in our Year R spare clothes store and would be grateful for any donations of items no longer needed at home. If you have any spares, please could they be brought in after Christmas.

The Year R Team would love some community visitors to come and talk to the children about their jobs! If you are, (or you know) a doctor, nurse, firefighter, paramedic, vet or veterinary nurse, or you have another exciting community based job, we would love to hear from you! Visits in the past have taken the form of either talking to the whole year group at once for about 15 minutes OR visiting each class for about 15 minutes. The visit is a time to show any uniform or special clothes - talking about why you wear it, any important equipment and what you do every day in your job. The children also love to ask questions about your role too! If you are able to help us, please email the school, or pop in and see Mrs Turner in Whales Class. Thank you - we look forward to hearing from you soon!

In addition, if anybody is, or if anybody knows a dentist who may be willing to come and talk to Year R about how and why it is important to keep our teeth clean we would be extremely grateful to hear from them.





## Christmas Donations

Thank you to everyone who very kindly donated to the Christmas performance collections. A total of £595.75 was passed to Petersfield Food Bank earlier this week.

## Very Special Letter

We were amazed to recently receive a signed letter from our King and Queen! Children wrote letters earlier this year after the Coronation and we were very surprised to receive acknowledgment of their thoughtful work!



## Christmas Lunch

Christmas Lunch today was a truly fun-filled, festive and fabulous occasion, enjoyed by all the children and several members of staff! Mrs Hodgkinson, Mrs Amor and staff members served the children who were all so well behaved, making us very proud! A big thank you to our wonderful HC3S catering team, led by Kirsty, including Jade, Sophia and Jen, who decorated the Hall beautifully and effortlessly produced nearly 300 lunches! Thank you!



## Thank You PISA!

We would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to PISA and all the wonderful volunteers who have given their time this term to arrange a tremendous selection of fun filled activities for our children, as well as to those who regularly come into school to read and those who spend time baking for the staff room. We are eternally grateful to each and every volunteer, all of whom make such a difference to our school. We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas from everyone here at Petersfield Infant School.

This year's Christmas Fair raised an incredible **£3070.72** and we are extremely grateful to PISA for their constant hardwork, dedication and for the tremendous time and effort they put into organising events and fundraising initiatives such as the Christmas Fair. We are VERY grateful to PISA Chairs, Mrs Sara Davies and Mrs Issy Arnett, Deputy Chairs, Mrs Sarah Nutbrown and Mrs Robynn Hyde as well as the very strong PISA committee and a huge number of willing parents.

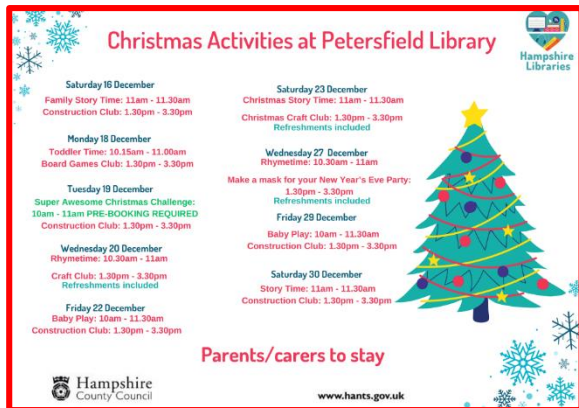
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## Christmas Thank You!

Thank you to everyone for the very kind and generous gifts and cards that have been given to members of staff. We truly appreciate your thoughtful gestures.

## Extra Curricular Provision

We wish to let you know that from September 2024, the school will be taking over the running of Active8Minds breakfast and after school club.



**Christmas Activities at Petersfield Library**

**Saturday 16 December**  
Family Story Time: 11am - 11.30am  
Construction Club: 1.30pm - 3.30pm

**Monday 18 December**  
Toddler Time: 10.15am - 11.00am  
Board Games Club: 1.30pm - 3.30pm

**Tuesday 19 December**  
Super Awesome Christmas Challenge: 10am - 11am PRE-BOOKING REQUIRED  
Construction Club: 1.30pm - 3.30pm

**Wednesday 20 December**  
Rhymetime: 10.30am - 11am  
Craft Club: 1.30pm - 3.30pm  
Refreshments included

**Friday 22 December**  
Baby Play: 10am - 11.30am  
Construction Club: 1.30pm - 3.30pm

**Saturday 23 December**  
Christmas Story Time: 11am - 11.30am  
Christmas Craft Club: 1.30pm - 3.30pm  
Refreshments included

**Wednesday 27 December**  
Rhymetime: 10.30am - 11am  
Make a mask for your New Year's Eve Party: 1.30pm - 3.30pm  
Refreshments included

**Friday 29 December**  
Baby Play: 10am - 11.30am  
Construction Club: 1.30pm - 3.30pm

**Saturday 30 December**  
Story Time: 11am - 11.30am  
Construction Club: 1.30pm - 3.30pm

**Parents/carers to stay**

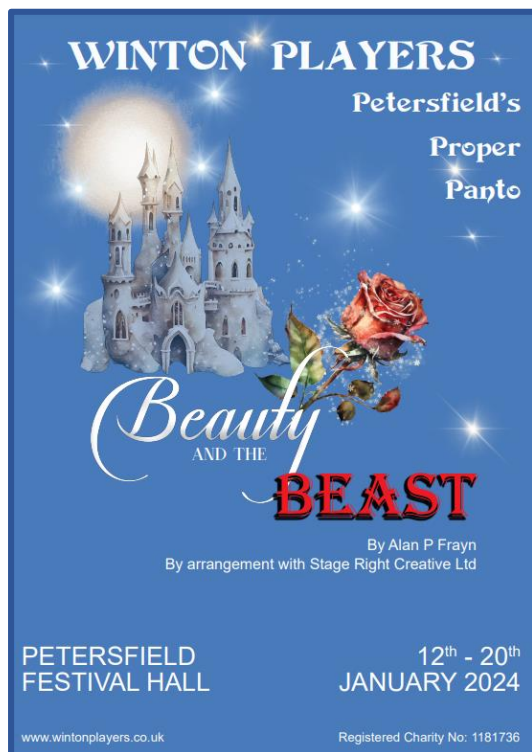
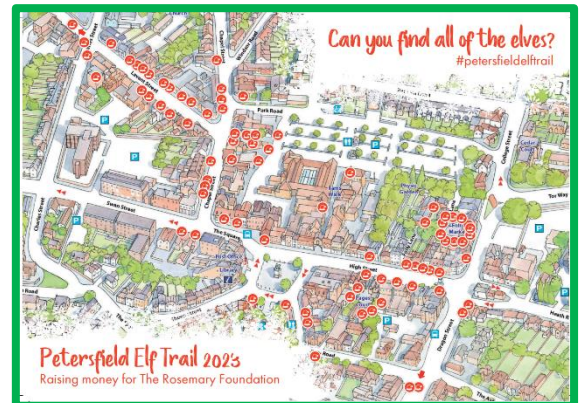
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www.hants.gov.uk

## Petersfield Library

Please see details here regarding free Christmas activities taking place in Petersfield Library throughout the Christmas holiday.

## Petersfield Elf Trail

Various Petersfield shops are inviting families to participate in this year's Elf Trail. Pick up your trail map from a number of local shops.



**WINTON PLAYERS**  
Petersfield's  
Proper  
Panto

*Beauty*  
AND THE  
**BEAST**

By Alan P Frayn  
By arrangement with Stage Right Creative Ltd

**PETERSFIELD FESTIVAL HALL**  
12<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>  
JANUARY 2024

www.wintonplayers.co.uk  
Registered Charity No: 1181736



**Active8 Minds**  
Sport & children's activities

**CHRISTMAS PARTY DAY**  
FRIDAY 22ND DEC  
9.00AM - 3.30PM

**HAF FUNDED SPACES**

**JOIN US FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLUB**  
18TH - 22ND DECEMBER 2023

LAZER TAG  
FOOTBALL DARTS  
ARCHERY ARENA  
UV GLOW ARENA  
BOARD GAMES  
ART & CRAFT  
TRADITIONAL SPORTS  
TEAM GAMES  
LEGO  
ELECTRONIC CIRCUIT ACTIVITY  
K'NEX BUILDING SETS  
MARBLE MANIA

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01243 696580

WEEKDAYS: 8.00AM - 5.00PM  
HAF FUNDED SPACES (9.00AM - 4.00PM)  
SIBLING DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE  
OPEN TO YEARS 1-7

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