



Dear Rumboldswyke families,

At the start of the week, I was very proud to take 10 of our Year 5 and 6's to Lakeview Grange Care Home where they met residents and took part in some intergenerational activities. To end the visit, Zhed played the piano. What a talented young man he is! Next Monday, 12 more of the class will be visiting the Care Home. If your child is one of the 12, please send them in with an elf accessory if possible. They are celebrating Elf Day to raise awareness of the Alzheimer's Society.

On Thursday, two children from Green Class took part in a Maths Challenge morning at North Mundham School. They worked methodically to solve a tricky maths problem involving square numbers. They are hoping Mr Dickin will allow them to take over the classroom and lead a maths challenge session of their own.

Our Christmas Tree is now up and looking amazing! Thank you so much to Mr Pasquale, Harry's Grandad for his generous tree donation.



I'd also like to say a huge thank you to Mrs O'Malley, Lincoln & Amber's grandma for revitalising (completely remaking!) our nativity costumes. They look absolutely amazing! We can't wait for you to see our Reception children in the nativity this year.

New PTA: Fresh Look, New Vision, Same Commitment to Our Kids!

We're thrilled to announce the relaunch and rebranding of our Parent-Teacher Association. We hope to improve engagement in the current Association of Friends of Rumboldswyke School to enable more parents / carers / members of the community to be involved. Please provide your details below including how you would like to be involved.

<https://forms.gle/Qd6hpZvRNXCgkePo8>

Smartphone Free Childhood



Our governors have recently emphasized the importance of reducing children's reliance on smartphones. They've highlighted the long-term benefits of fostering face-to-face connections, creativity, and a healthier, more engaged childhood.

Many parents are supporting the **Smartphone-Free Childhood Parent Pact**. Click here for more information or to show your support.

<https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/>

Year 1&2 Christmas Performance Tickets

Year 1 & 2's Christmas Performances of 'It's a Party!' will be on Thursday 12th December (2pm & 5pm).

Initial ticket sales will close this Saturday 30th November. If parents have not yet purchased their tickets, please ensure you do this by the end of tomorrow. Parents are initially able to purchase a maximum of 2 tickets per performance.



For those that would like to purchase additional tickets, please keep an eye on your emails early next week for more information.

Pre-loved Christmas Jumper Sale

Next Friday, 6th December we will be having a pre-loved Christmas jumper sale at 'The Little Red Shop' between 2:45pm – 3:30pm.

Friday 6th December



Cash only!

'Love life, love learning, love God's world'



St George's Church Christmas Fair

St George's Church will be holding their annual Christmas Fair on **Saturday 30th November 10am – 2pm.**

Santa's Grotto will be there along with refreshments, music and lots of lovely games and activities.

Have a lovely weekend!
With warmest wishes,
Lisa Harris



Diary Dates

December 2024

2 nd Dec	Visit to Lakeview Grange Care Home (Green Class – Group 2) Swimming (Year 3) Art Club (Yrs 1 – 6)
3 rd Dec	Multi-Sports Club (Yrs 1 – 3)
4 th Dec	No Dance Club Football Club (Yr 3 – 6)
9 th Dec	Blue Class visit to St George's Toddler Group
9 th Dec	Swimming (Year 3) Art Club (Yrs 1 – 6)
10 th Dec	Multi-Sports Club (Yrs 1 – 3)
11 th Dec	Dance Club (Last session) Football Club (Yr 3 – 6)
11 th Dec	Singing at the Cross (Yrs 5 & 6)
11 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch
12 th Dec	Year 1 & 2 Christmas Production (Performances at 2pm & 5pm)
16 th Dec	Swimming (Year 3) Blue Class Lantern Parade (3:15pm)
17 th Dec	Nativity at the Church (10am)
20 th Dec	Last day of Term

21st Dec – 6th Jan

Christmas Holidays

January 2025

6 th Jan	INSET Day
7 th Jan	First day of the Spring term
10 th Jan	Green Class – United Voices Rehearsals (9:15am – 11:30am at Chichester Free School)
15 th Jan	Green Class United Voices Rehearsal (10:30 - 2:30 at Chichester Festival Theatre)
16 th Jan	Visit to Lakeview Grange Care Home (Green Class – Group 3)

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2nd September – Friday 20th December
Half Term - Monday 28th – Friday 1st November

INSET Day Monday 2nd September – children not in school

Children's first day of school will be Tuesday 3rd September

INSET Day Monday 21st October – children not in school

Spring Term 2025

Monday 6th January – Friday 4th April
Half Term – Monday 17th – Friday 21st February

INSET Day Monday 6th January – children not in school

Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22nd April – Tuesday 22nd July
Half Term – Monday 26th – Friday 30th May

Please note we are still in the process of organising the remaining 2 INSET days for the next academic year and will share these dates with you as soon as we can.