



# Clandon CE Primary School

*Roots to grow, wings to fly*

Newsletter 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

## Reminders for the week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December:



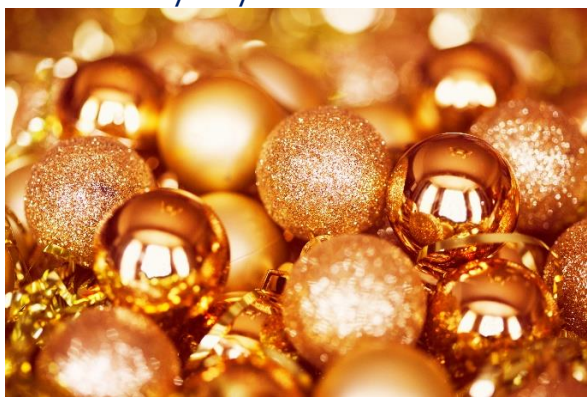
Monday	Open morning visit for prospective families
Tuesday	Full Governing Body meeting at Clandon 7.00pm
Wednesday	
Thursday	Woodlands Nativity performance at church 2.30pm for Woodlands families
Friday	Christmas jumper day, reindeer run and Christmas lunch (see below)

Dear Families

We were delighted to welcome so many prospective families to both the Forest School afternoon and our Clandon open morning last week. It's always a pleasure to show off our lovely little school. We have **one more open morning this term at 9.30am next Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> December**. If you know a family with a child due to start Reception or join Year 3 in September 2026 please spread the word and let them know about this visit. Bookings can be made by emailing the school office to [info@clandon.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@clandon.surrey.sch.uk) or phoning 01483 222442.

## Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December:

You will see from the reminders list above that next Friday, 12th December is a particularly Christmassy day.



Children (and staff) may come to school wearing a Christmas jumper instead of their school jumper, with PE trousers and trainers.

During the morning, children will go over to Ashleigh Park in small groups to take part in the sponsored Reindeer Run to raise money for Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. **Sponsorship envelopes** will come home **today** so please look out for these in **school bags**.

To add to the excitement of Christmas jumpers and the run, we will be having our school Christmas lunch next Friday. If your child would like to join in with this festive meal – roast turkey or sage and onion pastry roll with roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables and gravy, followed by a festive chocolate cookie – please order online from Innovate [ifg-psm.co.uk](http://ifg-psm.co.uk) before 23:00 on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

### Christmas Tree:

We would like to say a special thank you to Edwins Garden Centre for our beautiful Christmas tree which they have kindly donated. Thank you also to Mrs Cramp and the children for decorating the tree, and Mrs Webb for leading our annual Christmas Tree assembly and organising the wooden decorations. We hope you're enjoying seeing the tree twinkling in the playground on these dark, wintery days.



### Christmas Fair:



The PTFA would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped man stalls, set up, and pack away the Christmas Fair— we truly couldn't have done it without you. Thank you also to everyone for your generous support. It was lovely to see all the children enjoying themselves and was a truly wonderful start to the festive season. You helped to raise **£915** which will go towards providing enriching experiences for the children at Clandon School.

The staff and children wish to say a HUGE thank to the PTFA and parents who helped organise and run stalls at last week's Christmas Fair. We recognise that a lot of planning and preparation goes in ahead of these events and we **really** appreciate what you do for our little school. The fair is one of the major fundraising events which helps pay for some of the extra items that the school budget isn't able to stretch to. Thank you so much, we are lucky to have you all.

Another thank you to all the companies and local businesses who donated to our Christmas Fair Raffle. Here are *some* of our fabulous donations!

#### 2025 Christmas Fair Raffle Prize List

Cosy Club Guildford - 3 course meal for 2 voucher

£100 Amazon voucher - donated by MattWell Developments

Dorking Brewery £50 voucher (for use in their pubs or taproom)	
Godstone Farm – entry for 2 adults and 2 children voucher	
Microsoft Merch bundle – jumper/t-shirt and more!	
£100 cash – donated by Hawksmoor Home	The Drummond Albury – £50 voucher
Christmas Wreath from Plant Passion	Dorking Halls – 2 x tickets to Peter Pan Panto
Painshill Park – family entry voucher	Bocketts Farm Park – entry for 2 voucher
Watts Gallery – admission for 2	Meat the Greek – £20 voucher
Mavericks Barbers – Haircut voucher x1	Mavericks Barbers – Haircut voucher x1
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**Pantomime:**



We all had **THE BEST TIME** this week at the panto. We laughed, booed, clapped and sang along and it was brilliant.

Thank you so much to the PTFA for providing this experience for the children and staff. It is wonderful to share these moments together. We were super proud of two of our children who were invited on stage to judge which side of the theatre was singing loudest.

**Christmas at the Clandon Churches:**

There's lots to look forward to at the Clandon churches throughout Advent, as we move towards Christmas.

Tomorrow, Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December, there is Messy Church at the Village Hall in East Clandon where the focus will be Stars and Angels, both of which are in abundance at this time of year.

Please let Tessa know if you will be attending so she knows how much tea and craft is needed!




at The Clandon Churches  
[www.Clandon-Churches.org](http://www.Clandon-Churches.org)

## Stars and Angels

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 3.00-5.00pm**  
**East Clandon Village Hall**

Join us for a special, festive Messy Church, where we'll be retelling the story of the birth of a special baby – announced by Angels – and those that visited him – guided by a Star. Come along for Christmas Crafts, friendship and fun, singing and celebration followed by a delicious festive tea for everyone! (Please let us know of any food intolerances.)

Everyone is welcomed at Messy Church – bring some friends or make some new ones! If you are coming along, please let Tessa know so we can make sure there are Crafts and food for all! [tessa@Clandon-Churches.org](mailto:tessa@Clandon-Churches.org)

## ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS at the Clandon Churches

### Advent Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November 10.30am at East Clandon Church

Advent Sunday marks the official beginning of the church's Christmas season. At our service today we shall light the first candle of the Advent wreath before the children go out to Sunday Club with Mia.



### Messy Church 6<sup>th</sup> December 3-5pm in East Clandon village hall

Hooray – it's Messy Christmas! Families are warmly welcomed to join us for an afternoon of Christmas craft and creativity, song and celebration and some fabulous festive food for all the family! More information from [tessa@clandon-churches.org](mailto:tessa@clandon-churches.org)

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December AAE 10.30am at West Clandon Church

We light the second candle of the Advent wreath at our special, family-friendly All Age Eucharist service. Children's participation in reading and helping is always welcomed – please contact Tessa if you have a young person at home who would like to take part.

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am at West Clandon Church

At our 10.30am Eucharist service today we shall light the third candle of the Advent wreath before the children go out to Sunday Club with Caroline.

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December 6.00pm Carol Service at East Clandon Church

### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December 10.30am at East Clandon Church

At our 10.30am Eucharist service today we shall light the fourth candle of the Advent wreath before the children go out to Sunday Club with Tessa.

### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December 6.00pm Carol Service at West Clandon Church

### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December Crib Service 3pm at West Clandon Church

We would be delighted to welcome you and your family to our very popular Crib Service on Christmas Eve in West Clandon Church. Children (and adults too!) are encouraged to come along dressed as a Nativity character or in other suitably festive attire.



### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day Family Services

On The Big Day itself, do come along to one of our special family-friendly **Christmas Day services** - East Clandon Church, 9.15am or West Clandon Church, 10.30am

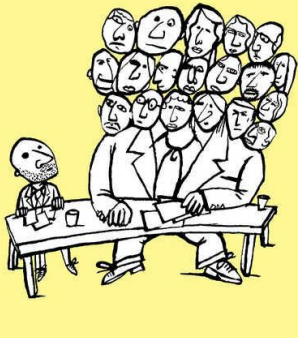

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There are also several more opportunities to celebrate Christmas at the churches in East and West Clandon. Everyone is welcome to simply turn up for any of the services shown on the flier.

## Would you rather ... ?

The children have been introduced to our weekly "Would you rather" question in celebration assembly today. Have a chat with your child about their preferred scenario.

	<p>Would you rather have many heads or many arms?</p>	 <p>shutterstock.com · 2226979329</p>
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*Mrs McGowan says that she and Mrs Sun sometimes feel like they need more arms (and hands), and we think mummies and daddies may feel the same. 😊*

With best wishes

Victoria Beattie and Hannah Dawe

Headteacher and Head of School

**The Newlands Federation**

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After School Club: 01483 359527

### Information included after the dates list:

- Families First Guildford parenting courses fliers
- Discount code for concert
- Multisports spring term flier
- Christmas holiday Tech and Stem camp flier

## Dates for Autumn 2025 to July 2026

New or updated events are shown in green

December	Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Whole School	Pantomime visit to Yvonne Arnaud Theatre in Guildford
	Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Squirrels & Kestrels	Movie Night
	Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Reserve date for PTFA Christmas Fair
	Thu 11 <sup>th</sup>	Woodlands	Nativity performance 2.30pm at the church
	Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Christmas Jumper Day, Reindeer Run and Christmas Lunch
	Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	Squirrels & Kestrels	Carols in the Wilderness
	Thu 18 <sup>th</sup>	Woodlands	Christmas Party day
	Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Last day of term – school closes at 1.30pm
January	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Back to school for first day of spring term
	Tue 27 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Bake sale after school: donations from Woodlands families
February	Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Disco for children
	Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> –Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Half term – school closed
	Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
March	Tue 10 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Hot chocolate and doughnut sale after school
	Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Easter Bunny visiting school
	Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Last day of term – school closes at 1.30pm
April	Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Back to school for first day of summer term
May	Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Bake sale after school with donations from Squirrels families
	Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Half term – school closed
June	Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Mufti day for donations to the bottle tombola
	Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	PTFA Summer Fair after school
	Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
	Mon 29 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
July	Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Whole School	Last day of term – school closes at 1.30pm

# Parenting Puzzle

Children are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but looking after them can be stressful and challenging.

Parenting Puzzle is a tried and tested support programme to help parents and carers deal with the challenges of family life and create a calmer, happier environment. It helps us think about what we do, why we do it and how it makes us feel.

This programme is a 4-week online or in person course.

**In person**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February  
9.30am – 11.30am

The Hall, Guildford Family Centre, Hazel Avenue, Guildford GU1 1NR

**Online**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March  
7.00pm – 8.30pm on Teams

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June  
7.00pm – 8.30pm on Teams



Please remember to complete the group registration form to secure your place.

If you have queries, please email  
[coordinator@guildfordnscs.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:coordinator@guildfordnscs.surrey.sch.uk)  
or call 01483 510570



# EarlyBird Programme

Join the National Autistic Society's **EarlyBird** programme for parents and carers of autistic children aged under 6 years.

The six-session programme covers:

- understanding autism
- communication
- understanding autistic experiences
- supporting daily living
- health and wellbeing
- connections.

*"This has made a real difference to me. In general, life-changing."*  
Parent

The **EarlyBird** programme aims to empower parents and supporting professionals to understand more about autism and discuss useful strategies on how to support autistic children.

**Dates:**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January

For more information contact:

**Name:** Tess and Debbie  
**Email:** [admin@guildfordnscs.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:admin@guildfordnscs.surrey.sch.uk)  
**Telephone:** 01483 566589

All sessions run from 9.30am-12pm.

The cost of the course is **£35**, but if you are experiencing financial hardship, please come and speak to us.



National Autistic Society



EarlyBird Licensed

# The Nurturing Programme

How to get the best out of family life

The Nurturing Programme is a 10-week group course to help parents and carers deal with the challenges of family life and create a calmer, happier environment.

It is a tried and tested support programme to help us think about what we do, why we do it and how it makes us feel.

You should plan to attend each of the 10 sessions:

Tuesday 13th January 2026	Tuesday 10th February	Tuesday 10th March
Tuesday 20th January	Tuesday 24th February	Tuesday 17th March
Tuesday 27th January	Tuesday 3rd March	Tuesday 24th March
Tuesday 3rd February		

🕒 9:30-11:30am

📍 Pirbright School, School Lane, Pirbright GU24 0JN

🌐 Book at: [www.familiesfirstguildford.com/events](http://www.familiesfirstguildford.com/events)

The Band of His Majesty's Royal Marines (Collingwood) are performing at [Camberley Theatre](#) on February 6<sup>th</sup> 2026 at 7:30pm.

Surrey Music Hub are delighted to share with you a discount code for the event which reduces tickets by 50%. The code is **SurreyMH26** and is limited to **50 tickets** in total. The code cannot be used online so if you or your pupils would like to use it, please call or visit the box office.



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Our 'Little Sporties' class is for 4 - 6 year olds **SATURDAY MORNING CLASS TIMES 9.00am – 10.30am 10.45am – 12.15pm**

The 'Little Sporties' class is a 90 minute session run in 3 x 30 minute modules. Each week our Little Sporties are coached in a team sport, an individual sport and fun & games. This is a great opportunity to introduce your child to multiple sports in a fun and relaxed way and classes are very popular. Little Sporties is great for improving your child's hand to eye coordination and ball tracking skills.

Our 'Main School' class is for 6 - 16 year olds. **SATURDAY MORNING CLASS TIME 9.30am - 12.30pm (SPORTS LEADERS COURSES AGE 12+)**

As one of our Main School students, each week your child will enjoy an hour of each of the following:

- A team sport e.g. Netball, Hockey, Football, Lacrosse, Basketball, Tchoukball, Handball
- An individual sport e.g. Badminton, Tri-Golf, Athletics, Tennis, Martial Arts
- A team building challenge e.g. Chinese Dodgeball, Escape and Evasion, Minefield.

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A 50% discount is available for siblings in our Main School. We look forward to welcoming you to MultiSports Guildford.

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