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Dear Parents,

The first part of the newsletter is handed over to Charlotte from Year 5 this week, with what I am sure you will agree is a very important message. Beautifully written too.

Hello people of Yaxham School, I'm here to tell you about climate change and how you can do a little bit to help. At brownies I'm working on a badge called speak out and I'm really keen to help save our planet. I hope you are too and I thought I would suggest two small changes you could do.

- Turn off the lights in your house when you don't need them on.
- When you're stopped in a car please turn the engine off.

Turning off the lights will save electricity and energy. Turning off your engine will firstly save your fuel bill and not waste the earth's valuable resources and secondly us children will be able breathe cleaner and less polluted air when we come out of school.

Here are some suggestions so you don't get cold without the engine on

- You could put on some warmer clothes
- Bring a blanket or a scarf
- Bring a hot water bottle or hot drink
- Go for a walk!

I hope you listen and agree with me so we together can make this world a better place.

Charlotte

# Special Awards this week:

### **Hedgehog Class**

Jackson for working so hard on his phonics and speech sounds

# **Badger Class**

Effie for always working hard and being a helpful member of the class

### Fox Class

 ${\it Jake for being such a good role model and a kind, helpful}$ 

person on decoration day.

# **Book of the Week**

Elise chose another of my favourites! A Charlie and Lola book, Excuse me, that is my book! Saskia has been chosen for our last Book of the Week before Christmas.





### Writer of the Week

Iris for her wonderful language choices and sublime sentence starters.

# Congratulations to Toby, the first person this year to win his times tables badge!



### Other Messages

### Christmas Party Afternoon

Our Christmas party will take place on Friday 17th December. Children can come in party clothes, please remember they will play outside as normal so clothes and shoes need to be appropriate. Children can bring their own food packed lunch on the day. The friends will provide treats for the party afternoon. We are hoping that we will have a special visitor during the afternoon!

### Disco tickets

Tickets for the disco are still available. Please visit

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/yaxham to book!

#### Christmas Postbox

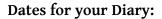
Our Christmas Postbox is now open, the last collection day is Friday 10th December. Cards will then be quarantined and handed out on the last day of term,

We hope to be able to go ahead with the nativity as planned next week, but will of course let you know on Monday if anything changes.

Best wishes,

Jennie Müller

Headteacher



Nativity Dress Rehearsal Tuesday 7th December

Nativity Performance 2.30pm, 6pm

Last collection day for the school post box 10th December 2021

Christmas Disco 10th December 2021

Christmas Jumper Week - w/c 13th December 2021 Children can wear a christmas jumper any day or everyday this week! They will need to wear uniform if not wearing a Christmas jumper

The Norfolk Institute of Performing Arts will be joining us at school to perform Cinderella - Tuesday 14th December

Christmas lunch Wednesday 15th December

Church visit - Children to be collected from the church 15th December

A Book Before Bedtime - Thursday 16th December 6-6.30pm - Please remember to let us know if your child will be attending

Christmas Party afternoon/End of Autumn Term 17th December 2021

Children return to school Thursday 6th January 2022 (Please note this includes an additional day in lieu of the bank holiday in June 2022

End of half term 11th February 2022

Children return to school 21st February 2022

End of Spring term 1st April 2022



Children return to school 20th April 2022

School Closed Bank holiday 2nd May 2022

End of half term 27th May 2022

Children return to school 6th June 2022

End of Summer term 22nd July 2022



Paddy Venner is a qualified life coach who specialises in working with children, teens and family groups. Paddy does also work with adult clients.



Paddy works in many Norfolk schools weekly and in his one-to-one sessions, focuses on many aspects including:

- Anger management
- Low self esteem
- Behavioural problems
- Anxiety and stress (including COVID-related)
- Family-related stress e.g. parent break-ups
- · Support during crises e.g., mental health issues in the home
- Victims and perpetrators of bullying
- Dealing with loss
- Just being a listening ear and a sounding board for children who simply need to talk

Paddy is a safeguarding lead for the charity he heads up and works closely with school SGL's in all matters.

Paddy offers private sessions outside of school hours at his consulting rooms in Hethersett and West Earlham.

Comments from parents of child-clients of Paddy:

Thank you so very much for what you have done for B. I have seen such a change in her. You have worked wonders with her.

- Parent of Wymondham High student

Many thanks Paddy - for giving the children the opportunity to open up with you, for treating them with such care and respect

- Parent of children at Cringleford Primary

Paddy got our child to have a more positive view of himself and was a great help in getting him in the right mindset for returning to school after lockdown. Paddy's coping strategies have been successful Thank you so much, Paddy, you made such a difference to our lives.

-Parent of Dereham pupil

Following the sessions, we have seen him transformed back to his happy self! You have given him a range of strategies to manage the daily anxieties he faces. Thank you so much.

-Parent of Dereham Pupil

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