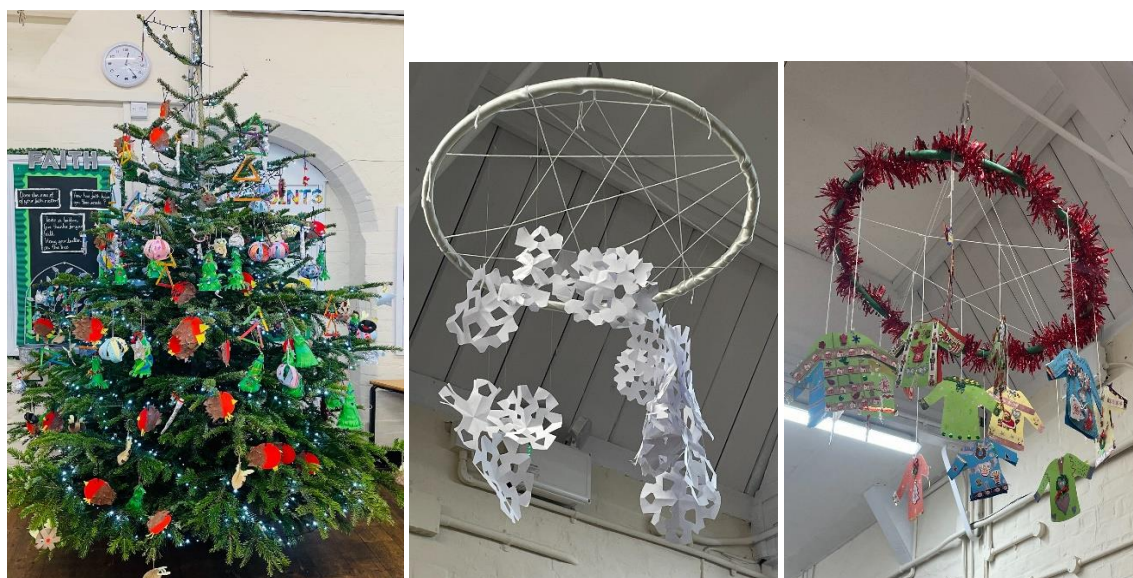




6th December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

As we edge closer towards the end of term, we have had a wonderful week this week with Christingle and Tree Dressing. The tree looks amazing with the decorations that your children have made so carefully in their classrooms. They will of course bring these home on the last day of term. I'm sure you will all agree how lovely it all looks.



We shared a Worship on Thursday with Mrs. Prest from the Trust Central Team who reminded us all that this was the season of light and inspired the children to bring light into someone else's life by sharing a smile, a hug or an encouraging word. She also gave us a beautiful light up Christmas Tree that we will display in worship until the end of term along with our Advent ring.

Homework Survey

Thank you to all those people who completed the homework survey. It appears that you would like for your children to have the chance to practise skills that they have learnt at school and that you also like to find out about new topics with your children. The majority of you also like homework that is based away from screens. We have shared this with teachers and try to give a variety of home-based learning.

Clubs

Next week will be the last week for clubs. There will be no after school club during the last week of term apart from the paid after school childcare provision.

Winter Wonderland

Please look out for the Winter Wonderland update that was sent yesterday. We have asked for a small donation per child. Please use the 'School Shop' to make this donation if you can. Your child will be able to wear their own clothes on this day. Parents are invited to a playground Christmas singalong at 2.45pm on Tuesday 17th December to round off this special day.

EYFS Nativity

Please remember that our EYFS Nativity will take place on Friday 13th December at 9am. The parents and families of EYFS children are warmly invited to watch. Please note that we do not allow any filming of school productions and events due to our Safeguarding Practices.

E-Scooters

Please see the attached important information on e-scooters from Kent Police.

Parking

Can we please remind you all to be more mindful when dropping your children off and remember that pedestrians still need access to the pathways. Also, a polite reminder that our car park is for staff only and must not be used when collecting your children.



Dates For Your Diary

Term 1	
13 th December	Christmas Crafts – 1pm NOW FULL
13 th December	Dr Seuss Class Nativity – 9am PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME
16 th December	Dahl and Donaldson Nativity – 2pm
17 th December	Winter Wonderland and Christmas Dinner
18 th December	Dahl and Donaldson Nativity – 9.30am
20 th December	Christmas Service at St. Marks Church 10.15am
20 th December	Last day of Term 2 School finishes at 1.30pm
31 st January	Winter Disco KS1 – 3.15 – 4.15pm KS2 – 4.30 – 5.30pm

Important Dates

Year 6 SAT's – Monday 12th May to Thursday 15th May 2025.

Year 6 Residential – 6th – 9th June 2025

Yours faithfully

Mrs Roddan

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mrs Roddan".

Headteacher

E-scooters – are you breaking the law?



Can I ride my e-scooter to school or work?

No, it's Illegal...

E-scooters are classed as motor vehicles and are required to be taxed and insured. It's not possible to get insurance for privately owned e-scooters, which means it's illegal to use them.

Can I ride my e-scooter on the pavement?

No, it's Illegal...

You cannot use e-scooters on public footpaths, cycle lanes or roads.

What happens if I'm caught using my e-scooter in public spaces?

The scooter may be seized and as a result, destroyed.

If stopped by an officer, you may be asked to complete a breath and drugs test. You also risk a £300 fine and six penalty points on your licence for no insurance.



**Kent
Police**

Think before you buy:

The number of electrical scooters being used on our streets has risen, as well as reports of serious injury and fatalities.

For more information and advice on the use of e-scooters visit www.kent.police.uk/road-safety