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# Friday Flyer

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024

**Last posting date...**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**



The post-boxes are now in both schools,

The in-school postal service does deliver between Graffham and Duncton schools, please can you put the full name and class on the envelope, and we will do the rest.



Naughty Buttercup and Mavis finding their way in to see the children!!!

**Here is some exciting news for everyone!!**

**The new date for the re-opening of Graffham Village Playground at the Graffham Recreational Ground.**

**The new date is: - Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December @ 11am.**

**Please do come along and show your support.**

## Next Week

Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Duncton Carol Service at Duncton, 5.30pm	All junior children & parents invited. Refreshments will be served by FGD.
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Graffham Nativity Photoshoot Fundraiser	Thank you to everyone who has placed an order & supported this school fundraiser. The deadline for the return of your consent slips & BACS payments is TODAY. Final prints will come home with your child during the last week of term.
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 5 and 6 Cello Concert 10.15 am	ALL year 5 and 6 parents' welcome
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Graffham Nativity at St. Giles Church, 1.30pm Performance No.1	Nativity tickets have been printed and are coming home with your child over the next couple of days. Please check your child's bookbag & make sure that you have all the tickets which you asked for. These will need to be shown at the door on the day of the performance. If you have any queries, then please contact the Graffham office early next week so we have time to sort them out for you.

Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Graffham Nativity at St. Giles Church, 4.15pm Performance No.2	
<b>Future Dates</b>		
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Chartwells Christmas Lunch @ Duncton	Children can wear CHRISTMAS JUMPERS
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Yr. R + 1 – School Trip to Chichester Festival Theatre to see ‘Hey, Christmas Tree’	
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>NO AFTERSCHOOL CHILDCARE @ DUNCTON AND a correction from last week's newsletter THERE WILL BE NO DRAWING CLUB @ GRAFFHAM either.</b>	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christingle Service @ St Giles, Graffham 2.30pm + Chartwells Christmas Dinner @ Graffham	Graffham parents are invited to join us for the service Children can wear CHRISTMAS JUMPERS for the lunch and Christingle service
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Yr. 2 – School Trip to Chichester Festival Theatre to see ‘Hey, Christmas Tree’	
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christingle Service at Holy Trinity Church Duncton 9.30am	All parents welcome
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET DAY	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Return to School	

\*New dates are in GREEN

**INSET Days for 2024-2025 Academic year**

Monday 6th January 2025

Monday 17th March 2025

Monday 23rd June 2025

**News from Helen Martin**

I will be talking to the children in both schools this week and in the next fortnight about me leaving the school as your headteacher and Mr Beckerson starting in January.

A lot of your children spend a lot of time chatting to me, about their learning, ideas, things they love to do and their pets! We know as adults that endings are really important and therefore, **I have said to the children today if they would like to come and chat to me about the changes in the school and about how it makes them feel, chat to me about my future plans and most importantly theirs, I will be having set times they can come to chat to me.**

We know that children (and us as adults) feel that they should be ‘held in mind’ by someone and to know that they are still important even if that person isn’t in their day anymore. Obviously, this is a personal thing; and I’ll put some times/dates on my office doors in each school to let children sign up for a chat with me (should they wish). It can be one minute, or ten minutes- a friendly and fun time to chat together. It can be with their friends’ group or one other friend; but this will all be their decision and our staff will help the children sign up (particularly at Graffham)

Also, I do hope to come back to important events- so I will see you all again! xx

## PARENT NOTICES:

### Chartwells

Please be advised that due to an error by the telephone line operator, the Chartwells West Sussex office telephone number(s) has changed with immediate effect to 01243 774175. We have been asked to share this information with their parents/carers.

The website: <https://www.chartwells.co.uk/west-sussex/> email: [westsussex@chartwells.co.uk](mailto:westsussex@chartwells.co.uk) and ordering platform: <https://app.parentpay.com/public/client/security/v2/#/login> remain the same and have been updated to reflect the telephone number change.

The Chartwells catering team would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, and very much look forward to seeing all the children again in the dining hall in the New Year.

**You can order now for January 2025 as we are sure you will all be very busy organising Christmas.**

### After school Clubs – last week of term

Please can we remind our after-school club users, that our childcare club at Duncton is the ONLY club that is running during the last week of term. This will be running on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December.

*Note there are no after school clubs at Graffham on the last week of term.*

### Graffham Street Road Closure – 17-19 December

Some of you may have noticed the Southern Water works sign at the side of the road coming up to Graffham school this week, notifying people that the road will be closed for 2 days on the last week of term. We have been in contact with WSCC Highways this week and they have apologised for the error (they thought the school would have broken up for Christmas by then) and have now cancelled the road closure for that period. They plan to reschedule the works to another time during the school holidays.

### Head Lice

We are determined to get on top of the head lice problem at Graffham over the Christmas break and *we really need your help to do that!* We know it is a busy time of year, but please could we ask everyone to check their children's hair and treat where necessary. We have found another company called 'NitNot' who delivered a winning pitch on 'Dragons Den'. They have produced a useful Head Lice Guide for busy parents which we feel might be useful to you all. Please check out their website – [NitNOT | Best Nit Treatment | As Seen on Dragons Den](#) and read the attached leaflet over the holidays.

**Clubs list will be coming to you next week!**

We have had this information in from the Police about a free webinar to help parents and carers understand some of the risks young people face online, and how they can best protect themselves and their family from falling victim to cyber-criminal behaviours!

Covering social media, gaming and emails, this webinar will give you tips and tricks to help you protect them in today's online world.

The webinar is running three times over the next few weeks, and tickets are available here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/police-south-east-cyber-77121396093>

**CYBER PROTECT**  
**The Digital Dilemma**  
**Keeping Your Kids Safe Online**  
 December 4th, 11th, 18th

**FREE WEBINAR FOR PARENTS & CARERS**  
**Thames Valley Police**  
 Hints and tips to secure your family online, covering:

**Gaming** **Social Media** **Email**

**BOOK YOUR SPACE:**  
 Eventbrite: [Police - South East Cyber](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/police-south-east-cyber-77121396093)

**DON'T LET IT BE GAME OVER**  
**LEVEL UP YOUR ONLINE SECURITY**

### FGD NEWS from Fi Douglass

Please come and support FGD by buying some refreshments at the Nativity performances and Carol concert next week. If you have not already done so, please buy your raffle tickets for the Christmas Hampers too - they are going to be brilliant! A BIG thank you to everyone who has brought in hamper donations today to help us with this fundraiser.

### Cake Raffle



Georgie Wykeham (Mummy to Harry & Sophia in Reception & Year 2) brought in this homemade Chocolate button cake to Graffham today. Thank you!

Today's lucky winner was ... Eddie! You are on a winning streak Eddie - Well done !!



Wiggles made an appearance At Duncton today thank you to Liliana Agafitei (Mummy to Ilinica y4 and Casandra y2).

Today's winner was Emily who will be taking Wiggles home tonight. 😊

Helen Martin  
CELEBRANT

## Bespoke celebrations in a place that matters to you

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**Westerlands  
Christmas Fair**  
Saturday 14 December  
10am to 3pm

Well behaved dogs are welcome on a lead. We are a farm so  
horses, cattle, sheep & free range chickens will be about!

Babysitting available Full enhanced DBS checked

Please contact Tracey Erkam, Teaching Assistant at Duncton School on 07787991633

**GRAFFHAM  
CHRISTMAS  
FAIR**  
SATURDAY  
7 DECEMBER  
11AM - 2PM  
EMPIRE HALL  
GU28 0QB

westsussex.gov.uk/HAF



### Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) for children

Children and young people aged 4 to 16 who are eligible\*  
for benefits related free school meals can take part in free  
clubs during the Easter, Summer and Winter holidays. A free  
nutritious meal is provided as part of the scheme. Visit our  
website to find activities near you and book your place.

\*Check eligibility on the webpage and find information about further  
support and activities available. Places are limited. Paid-for-places  
may be available, contact individual clubs for availability.

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