

THE EARSHAM RAINBOW

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*"Light brings every kind of goodness,
right living and truth" Ephesians 5:9*



The orange represents the world, the red ribbon (or tape) symbolises the love and blood of Christ. The sweets and dried fruit represent all of God's creations. The lit candle represents Jesus's light in the world, bringing hope to people living in darkness.

Executive Headteacher's message:

One of the things we talk about at this time of year is Christingle. Christingle is a joyful celebration that brings people together to think about the light that Jesus brought to the World. I have enjoyed many conversations with children this term, where their thoughtfulness and reflections on their hopes for peace in the world has been really impressive. It was lovely to join some local church Christingle services this week and share in that message.

This week we have been enjoying completing various aspects of our curriculum as well as enjoying some specific Christmas activities. Many thanks to all who have been in to support us. We look forward to welcoming you to join our Church carol service on Saturday 24th December 2023 6.00pm where we can celebrate and sing together.

Dear God

Thank you for the light in our lives, for those who give us love and hope.

Help us to always be a light shining in the darkness so that we can share the love if God with those around us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, the light of the world, Amen

Class Updates

Cherry Class have had a very busy week! We have had a lovely festive time with our adults on Monday for our craft morning. We also learnt the story of Christmas and the reason why Christians celebrate during our RE day. Of course we have been rehearsing our wonderful play!

Well done to the children in Willow Class and Cherry Class for their fantastic performance of the Nativity, you all worked hard to line your lines, learn the songs and actions to the songs! On Tuesday this week, the children had an RE morning thinking about 'How does light bring Christians together at Christmas?' The children had to think about what does light bring, what does light mean to Christians and how do Christians use light as a symbol at Christmas. They learnt that Christians believe 'Jesus is the light of the world.'

On Monday, Maple Class welcomed parents and carers into class for our mixed age craft activity. On Tuesday we completed our RE day all about Christmas, focussing on why Christmas brings hope for Christians. In the afternoon, we created Christmas cards which we hope family members enjoyed! On Wednesday we very much enjoyed watching Reception and KS1 in their Nativity dress rehearsal. Alongside this we completed our usual lessons throughout the week.

It has been a busy week in Silver Birch Class.

On Monday we welcomed parents, grandparents and carers into our classrooms for a mixed-aged craft. We had to create a Christmas Advent Calendar with a mathematical twist. It was nice to see so many visitors across the school and we hope you enjoyed seeing all the displays and that the children have been busy creating this term.

On Tuesday we completed our termly RE Day. Our Key Question was, Why do Christians believe Mary was called by God? What do you think about this idea?

School Attendance Dog

This week, our whole school attendance was 95.85% Congratulations to Maple Class who won this weeks award!!



Our School Day:

8:45 Gates Open

9:00 Registration closes

3:15 End of Day

Please ensure your child arrives/ is collected promptly each day.

If your child is absent from school due to illness, please ring the school office each day by 9am to advise.

Class PE Days:

Mondays - Maple and Silver Birch

Tuesdays—Cherry

Wednesdays—Willow

Thursdays—Maple and Silver Birch

Fridays—Cherry and Willow

Children to come in to school in their PE kits on their PE days.

Get in the festive spirit by visiting Ditchingham Church Tree Festival—look out for our Tree!!

Ditchingham Church Christmas Tree Festival and Fayre



Tombola

Tea & Coffee

Raffle

Cake & Mince Pies

Church Tower Open

Wreaths

9th, 10th

December 2023

11 am - 3 pm

Free Entry

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From the Inside Out

CHRISTMAS MOVIE NIGHT
MOVIE TBC

Price includes a drink and popcorn or crisps.
Other snacks available to purchase.

DECEMBER 15TH

3.30PM - 5.30PM

£3.50 EACH ON THE NIGHT

Earsham CE VA Academy School PTA Charity Reg 1039729

TERM DATES 2023/2024

Staff Development Days— 3rd January 2024, 28th March 2024, 22nd July 2024

Autumn term 2

Monday 30th October 2023 to Wednesday 20th December 2023

Spring term 1

Thursday 4th January 2024 to Friday 16th February 2024

Spring term 2

Monday 26th February 2024 to Wednesday 27th March 2022

Summer term 1

Monday 15th April 2024 to Friday 24th May 2024

Bank Holiday Monday 6th May 2024

Summer term 2

Monday 3rd June 2024 to Friday 19th July 2024

FORTHCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

9th & 10th December—Ditchingham Christmas Tree Festival

13th December—Christmas lunch

15th December—PTA Christmas Movie night 3.30-5.30pm

18th December—Christmas Church Service 2.30pm

19th December—PTA Pantomime

20th December—School Christmas Jumper Day

Nelsons Journey Rudolph run

24th December 2023—Carol Service Earsham Church 6pm

Community News

Kinda Forest Family Saturdays
 Come and rewild together in kaliwood
 'It takes a village to raise a child'



Nov 18th & Dec 9th 10-1pm
 £4 - £10pp - booking essential
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/740811719787?aff=oddtcreator>
 Tel: 07776117671 or email: info@kindaeducation.org
www.kindaforestschoo.com

Christmas at The Hub
 12 Broad St. Bungay NR35 1EE
 Events suitable for children & families

Sunday 3 Dec + 10.30am - 3pm
 Christmas Craft Drop-in
 with refreshments
 (suggested donations)

Sunday 10 Dec + 4 - 5.30pm
 All-age fun Carol Singing by the Christmas Tree
 favourite carols + children's Christmas songs
 with refreshments

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND SUFFOLK | lightwavebungayandbeyond | edward.land@lightwave.community | lightwave

HARLESTON MAGPIES Flyerz hockey

2nd and 4th Sunday each month

Pan-disability hockey in Harleston



Ages 6 - 25
 New members welcome!
 Contact Richard on 07591474481 or email flyerz@magpies.gmail.com

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THURSDAYS 7-8PM
 £5 PER WEEK FIRST SESSION FREE

CHILDREN 5-16 YEARS WELCOME | WE WILL ROCK YOU!
 HAVE FUN • MAKE FRIENDS • BUILD CONFIDENCE • PERFORM • PRACTICE • PLAY • IMPROVE WELLBEING • WORK IN A TEAM
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Christmas Holiday 2023
 Matches Day For School Years 1,2,3,4,5,6,7
 Thursday 21st December
 Thursday 28th December
 All dates are 10am-2pm and cost £12.00 per day.
 (Please note younger age groups will be separate)

ALL SOCCER SCHOOLS ARE HELD @ BUNGAY TOWN FC GRASS PITCH NR35 2RU
 FREE Medal for everyone, and chances to win other Medals, Trophies and Prizes
 Coaches are FA and COVRIVR qualified, with Emergency Aid, Safeguarding, and DBS Certificates

Players of all abilities are welcome, however exceptional quality players will be recommended to Ipswich Town FC
 Please get your child to bring with them, SHIN PADS, WATERPROOF JACKET, FOOTBALL BOOTS, DRINKS (from flyerz) and PACKED LUNCH.

DBS | FA | COVRIVR | multi@ipswich | BBC RADIO | ipswichfc



Bungay Baby & Toddler Group
 Every Wednesday during term times.
 At St. Edmund's Hall, Bungay
 9.15 - 11 am
 Snacks Included
 £1.50 per family

BECCLES R.U.F.C.

MINIS & TINYS RUGBY
 COME AND JOIN IN THE FUN!

New Players Welcome!

Age groups from Pre-school to Year 6

Join our rugby family, make new friends and build fitness and confidence in a friendly fun and safe environment.

All welcome
 No experience needed

Training and games on Sunday mornings from 10am

More info on our free taster sessions please contact minis@becclesrufc.co.uk


