



# NEWSLETTER

## Friday 6th December

### 2024

#### FE CHRISTMAS MARKET

Thank you to everyone who supported the FE Christmas Market through attending the event or sending in donations. It was a really busy evening with lots of customers and a great atmosphere at the FE Centre. We hope that you all enjoyed your time and look forward to hosting you at another Christmas Market next year!

With the students' handmade Christmas card orders and the Market, the FE Centre have made a profit of £450 in their Enterprise endeavours so far this year. The money will be used to help to improve the FE and the experiences on offer to our students.

#### Raffle Winners:

Care Bear – Linda C

Space Shuttle – Chloe M

Lollies – Gary C

Hamper – Luci D

Candy Dreams Gift Set - Sarah G

Sanctuary Spa Gift Set – Fay R

Soap Gift Set – Amy T

Belt Gift Set – Jamie P

Bath Bombs – Emma P



## OPAL Play

As a school we are working with OPAL (Outdoor Play And Learning) to develop the playtimes for the children.



The staff have had some training input and we are now starting to gather the resources we need.

We would like to thank Wiltshire Tyre and MOT services at Weyhill for the donation of 15 tyres to be used for play.

The next few things we are looking for are waterproof suits to suit all ages and some old suitcases with wheels.

The major request though is some labour and expertise to put some bits and pieces together. This will mean building structures using old pallets. We don't need skilled crafts people – just some basic DIY skills, enthusiasm and time.

Watch out for updates on how play is changing at Icknield in the newsletter.



### CONGRATULATIONS

We are pleased to announce the safe arrival of Azalea-Marie to Jasmin (LSA) and her family. You can see all the details we like to know in the photo which is handy!

We are sure Antony and Azalea's siblings are now very busy looking after mum and the baby and we hope to meet the new arrival soon.

## THE NATIVITY

We look forward to seeing many families and friends on Thursday, 12th December at St. Mary's Church Andover, SP10 1DP. The students should begin to arrive around 9.45am and we aim to start the service by 10.00am. This is not guaranteed and so we ask for your patience and understanding.



St Mary's is a large church and we have been advised by their Parish Administrator that there is currently minimal heating inside. The situation has been remedied as best possible with space and fan heaters. However, with this in mind, please be conscious that all attendees may need to dress in layers due to the temperatures.

Also we would like to remind everyone that there is no parking at the front of the church or outside the funeral directors close by. Please be mindful of where you choose to park. There is a car park that can be accessed via Marlborough Street and there is another at Black Swan Yard via Newbury Street.

*See you there — the more the merrier!*

### **PARENT GROUP COFFEE AFTERNOON**

Sharon Portsmouth, Family Support Practitioner, will be holding a coffee afternoon on 11th December at 1.30pm. Please could you contact the school to advise if you wish to attend. All parents/carers are welcome.



# SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF THE WEEK



Christmas	Father Christmas	present	Christmas tree

## DIARY DATES—AUTUMN TERM (2) 2024

### DECEMBER

9th	FE Shopping trip to Basingstoke (pt one)	
10th	FE Shopping trip to Andover	
10th	Full Governors' Meeting (4pm)	
11th	FE Shopping trip to Basingstoke (pt two)	
11th	Parent Group coffee afternoon (1.30pm-3pm)	
12th	School Nativity, St Mary's Church (details to follow)	
17th	Mars House Trip—Sleeping Beauty, Anvil Theatre	
19th	Christmas Lunch & special guest visit (school only)	
19th	Christmas Lunch (FE only)	
20th	Last day of Autumn Term	

## DIARY DATES — SPRING TERM (1) 2025

### JANUARY

6th	<b>RETURN TO SCHOOL (School &amp; FE)</b>	
8th	Yr9 Teenage Boosters	
23rd	FE Disco, Orange Rooms, Southampton	

## SUPERSTAR OF THE WEEK

The following students have been awarded the Class Star of the Week Award:

Chimes	- Abel
Drum	- Oscar
Maracas	- Jojo
Tambourine	- Samyok
Triangle	- Alfie
Trumpet	- Ellie
Oboe	- Chloe
Banjo	- Fergus
Cello	- William



**The School Superstar of the Week is ...Jojo!**

Jojo has begun to communicate more with his peers and class staff by using his contagious giggle. He is managing to indicate his 'wants' and 'needs' more frequently which leads to becoming more calm in himself. Jojo has grown in confidence in seeking comfort and especially enjoys using the Sensory Room. We are amazed by his ability to keep rhythm and move to the beat when listening to music!

## FE PPICC CHAMPIONS

*(Personal, Physical, Independence,*

CHAMPIONS



Nirjor and Matthew



## BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK WERE ...

Oscar, Banjo -16 years old

## BIRTHDAYS BEING CELEBRATED THIS WEEKEND ARE...

Tim, Victorious - 17 years old



# Autism and ADHD Referral and Assessment Service Experiences Survey

NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight would like to understand ***your*** **experiences and views** on how we can improve our Autism and ADHD assessment services. Please help us by completing the survey if you are:

- **Individuals** considering, are in the process of, or have received an Autism and/or ADHD assessment outcome
- **Family/carers/others** supporting those seeking an Autism and/or ADHD diagnosis, or
- **Clinician/professional** responsible for completing Autism and ADHD referrals for assessment

The survey needs to be completed in one go and takes 5-10 minutes to complete.

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[Autism and ADHD All-Age Referral and Assessment Service Experiences Survey](#)

Please take our survey by **31<sup>st</sup> January 2025**.