

If you know someone who struggles to access the newsletter, please let us know so we can help them.

REMINDER!!!!

School closes at 2.15pm
Friday 16th December for
the Christmas Break.

Happy Christmas!!

Diary Dates

Friday 16th Dec: KS2 Carol Concert (1.15-2.15)

2.15pm Early finish for ALL pupils. Last day of term for pupils;
break up for Christmas.

Thurs 5th January 2023: First day of Spring Term; children back in
school; **Swimming begins for class 4SS**

13th-17th February: Half term

2nd March 2023: World Book Day

School Dinner Issues

We are clearly having an issue with our school dinner ordering...people are forgetting to pre-order!!

All school meals should be booked via MCAS the week before they are required (by Saturday evening at the latest). The office staff are spending hours each day, adding 70+ dinners into the registers where parents have not pre-booked their child/children's lunch. This can't continue, least of all because of the time it is taking AND the ARREARS which are building up. All parents should pre-book lunches via MCAS whether your child/children are entitled to Free School Meals or you are paying.

As a result, from the first week back in January, we will no longer be adding any school meals to the registers that are not already booked. We will be calling parents to bring a packed lunch for your child/children if the dinner choices are not selected.



We would also like to remind everyone that you are invited to the **KS2 Christmas Extravaganza (Carol Concert!)** on Friday 16th December.

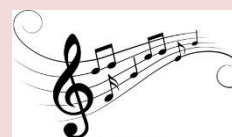
It will take place on the **school playground, starting at 1.15pm.**

Wrap up warm and be prepared to join in some songs, so warm up those vocal cords! Hot drinks will be available.

Both Nativity performances went brilliantly this year! We hope you enjoyed our KS1 and EYFS children performing their hearts out!

It never fails to amaze me how such young children learn so many lines and so many songs!

Thank you for coming to support them all!



Did you know that we offer wraparound care?

Not only do we have a breakfast club, open from 7.30am, but we also offer an after-school provision for working parents!

Kids Club Wraparound Care



The Mayflower Primary
School
"Kids Club"

From September 2022, we will be offering an afterschool Kids Club as part of our wrap-around care.

The times are as follows
3.15pm – 4.15pm
4.15pm – 5.15pm

Including SNACK AND DRINK

The cost will be **£5.00 per hour**, which will include a snack and drink.

You will need to book via MCAS on the Wraparound Club Function

Fun and Games



KIDS' CLUB

Courses for parents from The Aim Group

We have been contacted by The AIM Group who deliver **Free Online Level 2 Accredited Courses** to help better understand some key issues around young people's mental health and wellbeing, along with a range of other qualifications that may help with developing your own careers.

Here's some of the most popular subjects available:

- **NEW COURSE Neuroscience in the Early Years**
- **Children and Young Peoples Mental Health**
- **Understanding Autism**
- **Specific Learning Difficulties**
- **Behaviour That Challenges in Children**
- **Bullying in Children and Young People**
- **Mental Health Awareness**
- **Special Educational Needs and Disability**



Other popular courses:

- **Team Leading**
- **Business Administration**
- **Lean Organisation Management**
- **Customer Service**

These are just the popular qualifications, but they have over 40 available!

The qualifications are completed within a 6–10 week period in your own leisure. They are equivalent to a GCSE Grade C. You can do as many as you like, however you can only do one at a time.

Start date will be in January.

The only criteria you must meet to be eligible, is:

Aged 19 or over on or before 31st August 2022

Have lived in the UK/EU for 3+ years

Not already on a government funded course

If you are interested in undertaking one of these free online courses or would like further information, then please complete the following link ASAP. This will then allow The AIM Group to contact you to discuss and get you started on your chosen course: <https://theaimgroup.co.uk/booking-form/0014J00000rwJ1u>



Fun Xmas Activities - Ages 9-17 and siblings 7-8yrs old

Whats On

Wednesday 21st Dec 2:30 to 6:30pm - Xmas Chill - Xmas Crafts, Xmas Cooking, Fun & Games

Thursday 22nd Dec 2:30 to 6:30pm - Gaming Bus - Xmas Roast Dinner with all the trimmings

Friday 23rd Dec 2:30 to 6:00pm - Xmas Fun - Xmas Decorations, Xmas Food, Escape Room Challenge

Friday 23rd Dec 6:00 to 9:00pm - Xmas Family Party - Party Games, Xmas Quiz, Party Food (Bar Open)

Wednesday 28th Dec 12:30 to 6:30pm - Panto - Cinderella @ Princes Theatre.

Our provision is child led so our plan is always changing and adapting to the children and their needs and requests. So we could have cooking but if they request science fun then we'll adapt. It's for them and it's about them getting to have fun & make friends in a safe environment.

Who's Invited

Every Child is eligible to register for a space on our Xmas Holiday Club

The club is funded by the Department of Education, Essex County Council and Activate and is aimed at providing fun activities and a hot meal.

The funding is not only directed at families that receive free school meals or have a WONDE code or a child that has SEND but also families that may be struggling or just need some help or support.

Whatever your circumstances, every child is treated the same, this provision is designed to be fully inclusive to every child and family. No Child should miss out and we have been working really hard to ensure no child is excluded. We are limited on spaces and if we do find ourselves over subscribed we may have to call you.

Where

Harwich & Dovercourt Rugby Club

Swimming Pool Road, Wick Lane, Dovercourt, Essex CO12 4WH

How to book

Click on this link [Harwich Kidz](#) or scan the QR Code



If you have any questions please get in touch by calling or texting either

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