

Important Notice

Wordsworth Pinboard - Messages/Dates for your Calendar

Prayer Spaces



On Thursday 4th December, we will be running Prayer Spaces. The year groups taking part will be Years 4, 5 & 6. Children in Year 6 that will be attending Avon Tyrrell residential will have this catch up on their return.

Prayer Spaces aim to help explore life's 'big questions' while also helping to develop a sense of identity, self-worth and personal insight.

Children have opportunities to experience stillness, to express their thanks, hopes, dreams, questions and fears and to explore ways of reflecting or praying.

For Wordsworth's first Prayer Spaces event, children will be able to engage in various activities to explore personal memories of Christmas, share personal gifts, ask Big Questions and reflect on what Christmas means to them. They will also be able to think about what Christmas is like around the world for others who may live in poverty and share personal wishes, reflections or prayers. There are no right or wrong answers. It is simply a chance to explore and prepare their hearts for Christmas.



Pre-Ordering Christmas Dinner



If you haven't already done so, please preorder your child's Christmas dinner if they are having it. Christmas dinner will be served on Wednesday 17th December.

Please note nothing else will be served on this day.

If your child is not having Christmas dinner, they will need a packed lunch.

Our preorders allow our cook to order in and prep the correct amount of food for Christmas dinner, so please order your child's Christmas dinner by logging into SchoolGrid and forward to the 17th and click your child's choice. A reminder that you can preorder all your child's meals up to 3 weeks in advance. Thank you for your assistance with this.

We have a collection of glasses in our office. If you recognise any of these glasses, please come to the office and claim them.

If they are not collected by the last day of this term (Friday 19th December), they will be discarded.

Glasses



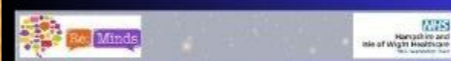
Next week at Re:Minds... 1st - 5th December 2025

Shirley Evening Support Group
Monday 1st December
6pm-7pm

Join us for a friendly cuppa with others who truly 'get it'
Meet fellow parents/carers, chat about the ups & downs of neurodiversity and mental health in our children, share experiences, pick up top tips and get support & advice from the Re:Minds team

No need to book, just drop in! There's no cost to attend and you'll be warmly welcomed!
You can also access the book & sensory library while you're here
This is an adults only group

Find us at:
St James Road Methodist Church, SO15 5HE
Upstairs in Room 7
Access is from the rear of the church via the car park
Please let us know if you need to use the lift



SEND Legal Advice Clinic

Wednesday 3rd December
12.30pm

We are linking with Shentons Solicitors to offer free SEND legal advice clinics to our Re:Minds families who require advice around education, tribunals, appeals etc.

Please email info@reminds.org.uk to book a slot, or follow the link on the event



Shirley Support Group
Friday 5th December 10am

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Attendance Class

Award This Week

This weeks winners were Lynxes (97.6%) and Jackals (98.6%).

The children that accepted the awards on behalf of their classes were Sunni and Alby who are this weeks attendance star monitors.

The stars and certificate will be on proud display in their classrooms for the rest of this week.



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Spare Clothes

Do you have any washed, good condition clothes to donate to the school so we have spares to give to children if they need it.

We are particularly looking for:

- Trousers
- Leggings
- T-Shirts



We are looking at all age ranges from year R to Year 6 please.

Many thanks.

Refreshment Donations

We are after donations of mince pies, Christmas cakes, normal cakes, biscuits, gluten free etc to sell at our Christmas Fayres as refreshments.

If you would be happy to donate these refreshments, please could you ensure the dates on them are best before 19th December. More information to follow in the next few days.

Thank you for your support.



Winter Coat Swap



Do you have Christmas Jumpers or coats that no longer fit your child/ren? If you do and would like to donate to the school, we are doing a 'Christmas Jumper Swap' and 'Coat Swap'.

There is now a rail in Reception where we will hang your donated Christmas Jumpers and Coats and other children that may not have one, can take it. You can donate and not take if you would like or take even if you cant donate.

Please could you donate freshly washed, good condition Christmas Jumpers and/or Coats, with a hanger to our school office.



Can you help with toy donations?

We are looking for Duplo blocks, big beads for threading and toy skittles, wind-up toys like music boxes or jack-in-the-box toys for our SEN provision. If you have any of these in good working order to donate, please could you bring them to the office.



Parent Survey

Wordsworth Primary and Nursery School are in the process of reshaping our vision and values. We would love our parents and carers input on what our values and visions should be and look like.

Your feedback is very valuable and important to us. This survey should take approximately 5 -10 minutes to complete.

Wordsworth Primary and Nursery School Vision and Values Parent Survey: November 2025



SCAN ME

On Monday 24th November until Friday 19th December, SGN will be replacing the gas main on Windemere Avenue. Due to the nature of the works, Windemere Avenue will be closed between its junctions with Mansel Road West and Green Lane. This closure will mean that there will be no vehicle access along Windemere Avenue in either direction and a diversionary route will be signposted.

The diversionary route for motor vehicles will be via Maplin Road and Mansel Road West, as shown in the image above, so there may be increased motor vehicle traffic in the area. This also impacts local bus services. Please ensure you try, where possible, to catch the earlier bus to allow yourself enough travelling time. If you drive your child to school from this area, please plan additional time for your journey.

Road Closure Information

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Wild Wordsworth Forest School

We are excited to announce that we shall be introducing Wild Wordsworth Forest School sessions to our School. Every child in Nursery, Year R and Year 1 will have the opportunity to attend sessions throughout the year. Ducklings, Foxes and Robins class will take part in Forest School during the Spring Term.

At Wild Wordsworth Forest School your child will have the opportunity to take part in outdoor learning activities planned to meet your child's needs and interests. Sessions offer them the unique opportunity to learn in an outdoor 'woodland' environment which we are lucky enough to be able to provide within our Nature Zone.

To find out more we would like to invite you to an **Information Meeting** on **Monday the 8th of December** at **2.30pm**. Please come to the main office, the meeting will take place in the gallery.

This meeting will let you know more about the ethos of Forest School, the type of activities your child will be taking part in and how we manage risks. The meeting should only take 30 minutes.




When will sessions run?

Children will attend 6 Forest School sessions, once weekly. Each session will last at least 2 hours. We will send you a letter home soon with your child's session dates.

What will my child need?

So that your child gets the most out of their Forest School sessions they will need to come into school dressed ready for Forest School in appropriate clothing (listed below). We also ask parents and carers to pack spare clothes in their school bag just in case. The Forest School Leader will carry some spare emergency clothing.

Forest School Clothing Guide

Ideal clothing/kit for...	
<p>All sessions, all weathers, all year round...</p>	<p>Long sleeve top</p> <p>Long trousers</p> <p>Comfortable footwear e.g. outdoor/walking boots and/or welly boots.</p> <p>Insect repellent or bands</p> 
<p>Rainy Days</p>  <p><i>Don't get caught out by surprise showers, these are good to bring every session.</i></p>	<p>Waterproof coat, Waterproof trousers or all in one.</p> 

SEND

Drop-in Sessions

- *Wednesday 3rd December 9.10am - 10am*
- *Friday 23rd January 2.30pm - 3.10pm*



Come in for a cuppa and a chat



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Share My Learning

Dates for your Diary



We would like to invite parents in to share in their child's learning in an event called 'Share My Learning'.
If you would like to stay and look at some of your child/rens work, the timings will be 3.30pm - 4pm on the dates below.

Autumn 1 Tuesday 21 st October Thursday 23 rd October	Spring 1 Tuesday 10 th February Thursday 12 th February	Summer 1 Tuesday 19 th May Thursday 21 st May
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If you would like to attend one of these sessions, please collect your child/ren and come to Reception to sign in. This is your opportunity to view your child's work; any details about your child's education and progression, will be discussed with you at Parents Evenings.

Tree of Light

Sponsor a light in memory of a loved one

Suggested minimum donation £8 per light

Light switch-on events:

<p>St James by the Park Church Sun 16th Nov (5pm)</p> <p>Join us at 3pm for a memorial church service and/or 4pm for crafts and refreshments before the switch on at 5pm.</p>	<p>St. Mark's Church, Archers Road Sat 6th Dec (5.30pm)</p> <p>Join us at 4.30pm for crafts, refreshments and carols before the light switch on at 5.30pm.</p>	<p>Woolston Millennium Garden Sat 6th Dec (5.30pm)</p> <p>Join us at 5pm for carols around the tree led by The Rising Stars and switch on from 5.30pm. Bring a lantern if you'd like!</p>
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Sponsorship forms can be found on our website: www.communicareinsouthampton.org.uk

For more details call the Communicare office: 023 8250 0050 or email: accounts@communicareinsouthampton.org.uk

With thanks to:



How can I help my child with phonics at home?

TUESDAY 9TH DECEMBER / FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

3.20-4.00PM

Squirrels Classroom
(enter through Year R garden)

Drop in sessions with Miss Harvey for families of children in Year R, 1 or 2.

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German

There are 2 children whose first language is German.

Countries where German is the official language

The percentages of each population that speak German are as follows:



Brandenburg Gate in the capital city of Germany - Berlin

Facts about German:

- German is a Germanic language, like English and Dutch. German is spoken by approximately 95 million native speakers but also by approximately 80 million nonnative speakers.
- German is the official language in Austria, Germany, Liechtenstein and Switzerland and has official status in Belgium and Luxembourg.
- The capital of Germany is Berlin. Germany shares borders with Austria, Belgium, the Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland and Switzerland.

Famous people that speak German:
Leonardo DiCaprio Bruce Willis Sandra Bullock Natalie Portman



Cologne Cathedral in Cologne Germany

Frankfurt—a central German city on the river Main



Christmas German market in Thuringia, where the composer Johann Sebastian Bach was born, where poets Johann Wolfgang von Goethe and Friedrich Schiller lived and developed their craft. It is also home to over 400 different castles and palaces.

Traditional German food and/or snacks

Kartoffelpuffer (Potato Fritters or Potato Pancakes)

Steckrübensuppe: German Turnip Soup (or Stew)

Wiener schnitzel (Veal)

Pretzels from Bavaria

Language of the Week