



## SILCHESTER CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Compassion, Courage & Respect*

Dear Families of Silchester,

Well from the looks of the school photos this morning, you're going to be in for a smiley treat! It was lovely to see lots of families together and to see the older children looking after and supporting the younger children to look their best!

### Football

Well the season has started brilliantly for Silchester! We were so proud of our team who played excellently in their first match and managed to beat Bishopswood 5 goals to 4. A huge well done to them and a big thanks to Miss Dadral for organising. I'm also pleased to share that our wonderful PTA have funded some new sports kit for our school so we will look much more professional when these arrive!



### RISE Theatre trip

Our Year 6s went to Burnham Copse today to join in with a fantastic day of drama and singing. This day was organised by Tadley Churches Arts Festival and led by RISE Theatre. The children got the chance to learn how they can practically care for our planet via drama and in learning some new songs. This culminated in a performance to be proud of. Well done Year 6 – a few budding performance artist amongst you all for sure!

### Art Gallery

After school on Thursday, we invite you to come and have a look around our Silchester Art Gallery! The children have been studying different artists this term and created some impressive pieces of art inspired by Frida Kahlo, Vincent Van Gogh and Georgia O'Keefe. The children will be displaying their work in the hall so you're most welcome to pop in and explore the gallery. We will open up the side doors to the hall, so after you've collected your child, please feel free to use this entrance from the playground.





### Blazing Light Party – Halloween Alternative

Our local children and youth pastor, Sam, is putting on a FREE event for children in years 1-6. The Blazing Light Party is being run for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year with loads to do from crafts, den building & glowstick games!

Each child will be given a sweet filled goodie bag too!

There are limited spaces, but you can sign up your child here: [www.ctat.org.uk/blazinglights](http://www.ctat.org.uk/blazinglights). See the image attached for more details.”

### PTA Notices

Upcoming events for the rest of this term are:

- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November = Non-School Uniform Day – collecting items for the tombola.
- Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November = Christmas Fair (see poster below).
- From Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November = Receiving donations for The Christmas Market.
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December = PTA Christmas Market for children in school.



## Upcoming Key Dates

Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parents Evenings
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Year R Hat Party – 3pm
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Silchester Art Gallery – in the hall after school
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET DAY
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	HALF TERM
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Whole School - nasal flu immunisations
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA Non-School Uniform Day – for collection of tombola items
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Service at War Memorial (Yr5/6)
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Yr5/6 School & Eco Council Trip to Ewhurst
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	PTA Christmas Fair – SAVE THE DATE!
From 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Receiving donations for the Christmas Market
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Year R Theatre Trip – funded by our PTA
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	PTA Christmas Market
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5 residential to Ufton Court
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	6pm – 7pm Christmas Carol Concert
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of Autumn Term and break up for Christmas Holidays

I hope that you and your families have a really great weekend, and I'll look forward to welcoming you on the gate next week.

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