

The Chorus Schools Federation

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This week...



Fox class completed their final Lowry-inspired artwork, applying knowledge and skills acquired this term. Instead of industrial scenes, they created busy playground scenes using Lowry's signature colours and characteristic figures. They enjoyed arranging little versions of themselves to create distance!

In Environmental Science, Owl class created some wonderful Christmas designs on their plant pots which they planted up with Narcissus tete a tete. We hope they grow beautifully for the friends and family they give them to.



A huge well done to Otters and Robins for their Nativity this week. They did an absolutely amazing job of remembering all the songs and their lines, we are so proud of them all! We really hope parents enjoyed the performance.



Wednesday 17th December



Crib Service for Parents, 9.00am

Parents are warmly invited to attend our Crib Service at school led by Reverend Claire on Wednesday 17th December at 9.00am. Please drop off children as normal, then wait by the green gates for a member of staff to let you into the hall.

Christmas Dinner and Festive Jumper Day

Mrs Park will be doing a full Christmas dinner with all the trimmings on Wednesday 17th December, served to the tables by staff! It would be lovely if all children could join in. The cost is £2.25 (free to Key Stage 1: Otters and Robins). No need to book, children can order on the day at registration. Please ensure the money is added to the 'Meals' section of your ParentPay account in advance.



Everyone is encouraged to wear a Christmas jumper over the top of their PE kit on Wednesday. No charity donation required, we are just getting into the festive spirit!

- Save the Date**
- Weds 17th Dec
Christmas Jumper Day
 - 9am Christmas Assembly for Parents
 - 10am Christingle for Children
 - 12.15pm Whole School Christmas Dinner
 - Thurs 18th Dec
3.30 – 4.45pm Whole School Disco
 - Fri 19th Dec
Last Day of Term
 - Mon 5th Jan 2026
First Day of Spring Term
 - Thurs 8th Jan
Swimming Lessons Start – Year 5
 - Thurs 15th Jan
Closing date for Reception Year Applications 2026
 - 18th – 25th Feb 2026
Half Term

Swimming for Year 5 – Starting Thursday 8th January



Swimming lessons for Year 5 will start on Thursday 8th January, and will run every Thursday until the 12th March. A reminder that children are expected to swim each week and their swimming kit must be in school, including a swim hat.

The Winter Reading Challenge 2026



Essex Libraries Winter Reading Challenge

Children across Essex are being challenged to read and get creative at their local library this winter! Children can choose from twelve fun activities to complete. For each one, they will get a sticker. Complete six, and they'll receive a certificate and enter their prize draw for the chance to win some incredible goodies! Find out more about how to take part in this free activity at: <https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/>

Last Call for Missing Uniform Items!

As we come to the end of term, please check your child's uniform items in case they have come home with someone else's jumper! Other parents will be super grateful! Thank you.



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Yours faithfully,



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