



Ardleigh St. Mary's Church of England Primary School (Voluntary Controlled) Primary School



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Christmas Events

Ardleigh Methodist Church



On Tuesday afternoon we all went to Ardleigh Methodist Church to join in with their Christmas Celebration Service. We always enjoy going to the Methodist Church and sharing this special time with them.

The children sang some of their favourite Christmas songs and listened to a re-telling of the Nativity story.

We would like to thank the members of the Methodist Church for inviting us at this time of the year.

Christingle Service



On Wednesday afternoon we all went to St. Mary's Church, Ardleigh for our Christingle Service.

We were welcomed to the Church by the bells ringing out and this was extra special for us as some of the bell ringers were the Year 6 children. They have been attending bell ringing lessons with Mrs Arnold and Amanda at the church as part of their Ardleigh Community Award and have been thoroughly enjoying this experience.

The Christingle Service was as lovely as ever and it was great to see so many families attending.

Church Inspection

Today we are sending out the report from our recent Church Inspection.

We are delighted to inform you that the judgement we received was Outstanding across the three areas inspected; Christian Character of the School, Collective Worship and Leadership and Management of a Church School.

We are extremely pleased with this judgement and thank everyone who has contributed to make this happen.



Meals - Lunch Menu

The menu for the week beginning 18.12.17 is the Special Christmas Menu



Additional Letters

*Squash Letters - Y5/6 only



Religious Events

Tuesday 19th December 2017 -
Christmas Concert @ St. Mary's Church, Ardleigh



Forthcoming Events Reminders

Christmas Lunch - Tuesday 19th December 2017

Break up - Wednesday 20th December 2017



Non Pupil Days for 2017 - 2018

Monday 4th September 2017 - Christian Values Workshop / Planning

Tuesday 5th September 2017 - Safeguarding Workshop / Planning

Tuesday 2nd January 2018 - Staff Development

Wednesday 3rd January 2018 - Staff Development

Friday 9th February 2018 - Joint Non Pupil Day with SEP Schools - Stour Education Partnership - Training Together - The Outdoor Curriculum



Forest School Sessions for w/c 18.11.17

Forest School sessions have now finished for the term



Humanist Workshop

During the afternoon of Monday 11th December 2017, Classes 3 and 4 received a fantastic talk from Humanists UK - Understanding Humanism.

This was organised as Humanism is part of the RE syllabus - the Essex Agreed Syllabus - that the school has to follow.

Each class was introduced to what a humanist is and what humanists believe.

They were presented with a selection of stimuli, which were used to inspire thought and create questions.

Pupils responded well to the workshop and were described by George (our guest speaker) as being a delightful group of children.

His departing message to both classes was "Ask questions and be happy."

Mr Tricker



Pantomime

Our visit to the Pantomime yesterday afternoon went really well. The children enjoyed, as always, the spectacle of the theatre and the Mercury's Production of 'Snow White and the 7 Dwarfs' was really good. The children's behaviour was excellent - they were a real credit to themselves and the school.

Dates For Your Diary

- *19.12.17 Christmas Lunch - details sent out 27.11.17
- *19.12.17 Christmas Concert - 6.30pm - details sent out on 04.12.17
- *20.12.17 Break up
- *02.01.18 Non Pupil Day
- *03.01.18 Non Pupil Day
- *04.01.18 Return to School
- *11.01.18 Tendring Small Schools' Cluster Enrichment Activity Programme - Cookery Workshop @ Bradfield Primary School - aimed at Y3 - details to follow
- *15.01.18 Life Bus - details to follow
- *16.01.18 Full Governing Body Meeting - 6.30pm start
- *22.01.18 Ardleigh Pre-School visiting Class 1 and attending Assembly - pm
- *25.01.18 Tendring Small Schools' Cluster Enrichment Activity Cookery Workshop - @ Wix and Wrabness Primary School - aimed at Y2 - details to follow
- *25.01.18 Y5 Music Event at Manningtree High School - details to follow
- *30.01.18 Young Voice Concert at the O2 Arena, London - details have been sent out already
- *02.02.18 Maths Day - details to follow
- *05.02.18 Ardleigh Pre-School participating in a Forest School activity - pm
- *06.02.18 Manningtree High School Production - Year 6 to attend - details to follow
- *07.02.18 Tendring Small Schools' Cluster Computing Workshop @ Langham Primary School - aimed at Y5/6 - am - details to follow
- *08.02.18 Friends of Pancake Breakfast - details to follow
- *08.02.18 Break up
- *09.02.18 Non Pupil Day
- *19.02.18 Return to School
- *21.02.18 Parent Teacher Interviews - 3.30pm - 6.30pm - details to follow
- *22.02.18 Tendring Small Schools' Cluster Music Workshop - aimed at Y3 @ Wix and Wrabness Primary School - details to follow
- *22.02.18 Roman Cup Round 1 - Y3/4 - details to follow
- *22.02.18 Parent Teacher Interviews - 4pm - 8pm
- *25.02.18 Ardleigh Pre-School attending Assembly - 2.20pm start
- *27.02.18 Year 5 Language Workshop @ Manningtree High School - details to follow
- *28.02.18 Friends of Cinema Club - details to follow
- *01.03.18 Tendring Small Schools' Cluster KS2 Quiz - details to follow



Please don't forget, if you have any issues or queries you want to discuss with any member of Staff please come in and speak to us.



Have a lovely weekend.
Take care - From all at Ardleigh St. Mary's

