

November and December's Value: **Respect**

25th November 2019

Friday 29th November
 Decoration Day
 2pm
 (Parent Event)

Friday 29th November
 Rag Bag collection
 (Please bring to school by
 9am Friday)

Thursday 5th December
 Assembly
 GENR8

Friday 6th December
 Friends of GVP
 School Disco

Tuesday 10th and
 Wednesday 11th December
 Reception Nativity

Friday 13th December
 Christmas Jumper and
 Christmas Dinner day

Monday 16th December
 KS2 Carol Service
 Baptist Church

Tuesday 17th December
 Rec & KS1 Carol Service
 St Mary's Church

Wednesday 18th December
 Grandparents Concert
 (Grandparent event, please
 see main text for timings)

Thursday 19th December
 Class Christmas Parties

Friday 20th December
 Last Day of Term

Class Reference Information:

Reception = Robin and Wren (EYFS/Foundation Stage)
 KS1 = Swift, Nightingale, Woodpecker and Kingfisher (Year 1 and 2)
 Lower KS2 = Falcon, Osprey and Skylark (Year 3 and 4)
 Upper KS2 = Kestrel, Red Kite, Owl and Eagle (Year 5 and 6)

Thank you:

On Friday, children across the school planted 270 trees in addition to spring bulbs. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience which would have not been possible without our parent volunteers; we appreciate all your efforts – thank you!

Christmas Events: The festive season is almost upon us. As a school we arrange a number of events to ensure we celebrate this magical time of year. Children will still be continuing with their formal learning in between these events.

Decoration Day, Friday 29th @ 2pm – to begin the festivities we would like to invite you into school, once again, for decoration afternoon. This is a craft-based event where decorations will be made to adorn the classrooms, school and Church Christmas tree, and to get everyone into the Christmas Spirit. As the classrooms will be very busy, we would request small children are not brought to the event. If you cannot get childcare, and your child begins to become unsettled, please be considerate and have some time out of the classroom – thank you.

Christmas Disco, Friday 6th December @ - the Friends of Gamlingay Village Primary have sent flyers home with children to request tickets for the school discos. FS and KS1 will be at 3.30pm-4.30pm and KS2 will be at 4.45pm-5.45pm.

Robin and Wren Nativity, Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th @ 2pm – a separate letter has been sent out.

Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day, Friday 13th December – your children may wear their Christmas jumpers to school and bring in a suggested donation of £1 for Save the Children.

EYFS and KS1 Carol Concert, Tuesday 17th @ 2pm in St Mary's Church – due to capacity please can we request a maximum of two per family.

KS2 Carol Concert, Monday 16th @ 2pm at The Baptist - due to capacity please can we request a maximum of two per family.

Grandparents Concert, Wednesday 18th

KS1 1.10 – 1.40pm, LKS2 1.50 – 2.20pm, UKS2 2.30 – 3pm (*please look at the information at the side of this letter to check which KS your child is in*) – This is an event for Grandparents or other special people in children's lives. I am afraid we cannot allow parents to attend, as this has previously caused upset from others. Raffle tickets will be coming home with children this week, they will also be on sale at this event.

Christmas Parties – please see your child's class ParentHub page for specific dates and food list requests.

The choir are performing at a number of events in the village, including the Christmas Tree Festival and Christmas Light Switch on – please see separate letters.

Children in Need:

Thank you to everyone who came to school in their pyjamas for Children in Need – we raised a fantastic **£337.53**.