

# Turners Hill C of E School News



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## Welcome from the Headteacher

I hope that this newsletter finds you well. It has been a wonderful couple of weeks at Turners Hill CofE Primary School with a whole feast of exciting festive activities going on. Firstly, I would like to congratulate our magnificent Key Stage 1 and Reception pupils for their amazing performances of The Wiggly Nativity. For those of you lucky enough to see one of the performances, I am sure you will agree that the children sung and narrated to an incredible standard- we are all very proud of you, well done!



I must also thank and congratulate the brilliant singers who attended the Civic Service at St Leonard's last Sunday. I have been inundated with praise and positive comments from many of the people in attendance. Well done to all the children who came along and thank you for representing the school so brilliantly.

It is with sadness that we write to inform you that Kay Jeffery will be leaving Turners Hill Tots on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Kay has been a dedicated member of our team for over 7 years and we would like to thank her for her passion, care and enthusiasm during her time with 'our children'. We wish her well with her future endeavours. She will be greatly missed.

Finally, I would like to remind you that we have the Christmas Event next Tuesday (19<sup>th</sup>) where you will be able to meet Father Christmas, be entertained by our splendid choir, win some prizes (hopefully) on the tombola, enjoy some refreshments and enter the raffle, all in aid of supporting the school. One new feature for this year will be that each class is selling the lovely Christmas decorations they made during our inventively titled 'Christmas Decoration Day'. Any money raised from selling the decorations will be made available for the class to reinvest in developing their learning environments and supporting their topics during the rest of this academic year. Here is a photo of Maple Class and myself having fun making some of the decorations!



I look forward to seeing many of you next Tuesday.

Best wishes, Ben Turney

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## INSET DAYS – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June & Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018

### 'Winter' a poem by Jack Kelly

*A touch of frost, Autumn's lost,  
The snow is here, children cheer,  
Naked trees, in the breeze.*

*Christmas trees everywhere,  
Beautiful snowflakes fill the air,  
Roasted turkey is ablaze,  
Christmas shopping is a craze.*

*The force of the wind is like a bomb,  
While Christmas carols sing their song,  
Children dreaming of Santa Claus,  
While people without coats wished they'd stayed indoors.  
Magical tinsel on every tree,  
Everything is filled with glee.*

### STAR PUPIL AWARDS

The following Star Pupil Certificates have been awarded:

Maple Class for their amazing Nativity performance. Well done, you are all superstars!

Blake Beer for showing great perseverance with his writing this week.

Cherry Class for their hard work and beautiful singing in the Nativity!

Hissaan Mahmood for his creativity when drawing a medal for Sergeant Stubby!

Nathanael Leslie for being very brave when hurting his arm, not making a fuss and persevering with his school work.

Alfie Parker for growing in confidence especially in writing!

James Knight for developing more pace in your learning and lots of effort!

Tilly Hepburn for always showing perseverance in all subjects and life.



### SUPPORT OVER CHRISTMAS

For those that might find Christmas holidays a challenge feeding the family, please don't forget the East Grinstead Foodbank who are always welcoming to any who may need their support. There is a very informal café where you can talk to their staff. Their contact details are: East Grinstead Foodbank, Jubilee Centre, Charlwoods Road, East Grinstead, RH19 2HL. Opening hours are 1-3pm Monday, 10-12pm Wednesday and 1-3pm Friday. 07983 209940 / [info@eastgrinstead.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@eastgrinstead.foodbank.org.uk) / [www.eastgrinstead.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.eastgrinstead.foodbank.org.uk).

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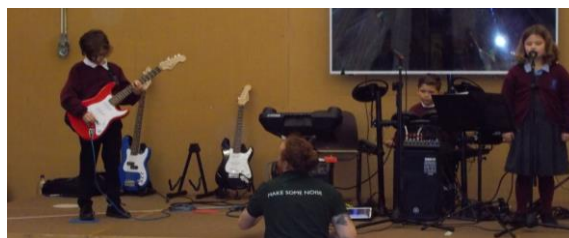


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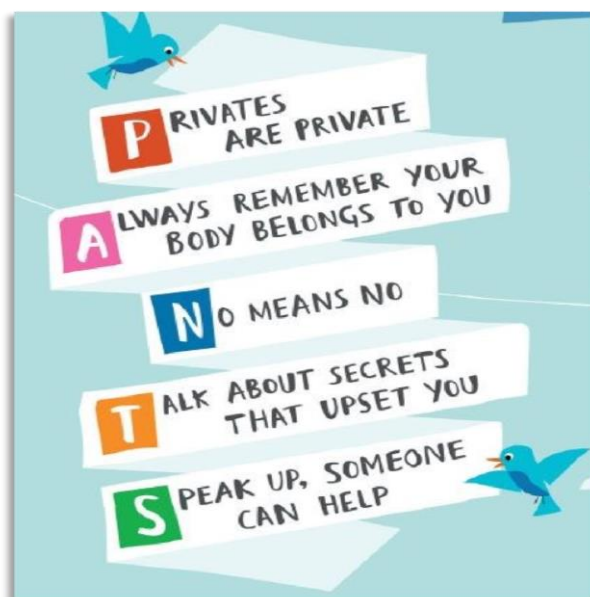
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## **ROCKSTEADY by Isabella Seelig**

At Turners Hill there is a music club where children get to learn how to play music (the electric drums, the electric guitar, the electric keyboard and vocals). Last week, the Rocksteady children held a concert and it was amazing! The children looked professional and they were all so good at playing the instruments they had learnt. They all loved it so much and hope there will be more. The whole school loved watching and there was a lot of cheering and clapping. The adults loved it twice as much watching their child/children. Many of the bands have very little members so we would love it if more children joined us!



## **SAFEGUARDING**



We feel that 'safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, everyday!' and we need to ensure that our pupils know how to keep themselves safe in any circumstance.

Talking PANTS teaches children important messages, like their body belongs to them and they should tell an adult if they're upset or worried. It is important that you talk about the PANTS rule at home with your children. You know your child best!

Please speak to your child's class teacher if you would like any further information.

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## SCHOOL CLUBS

### Monday

Cheerleading/Gymnastics (Year R-3) – 3.15pm to 4.15pm

### Tuesday

Netball (Year 4-6) – 3.20pm to 4.20pm

Football (Years 2-3) – 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Forest Schools (Year R-6) – 3.15pm to 5.00pm

### Wednesday

Rocksteady (morning sessions)

Gymnastics (Mixed Ability) – 8.00am to 8.45am

Forest Schools (Year R-6) – 3.15pm to 5.00pm

### Thursday

Gymnastics (Advanced) – 8.00am to 8.45am

Football (Years 4-6) – 3.30pm to 4.30pm

### Friday

Tri-Golf (Years R-6) – 8.00am to 8.45am

Tennis (Years 2-6) – 3.15pm to 3.55pm

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017 – 9.00am** – Bag2school collection

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017 – 3.30pm** – Free Church Christmas Crib Service

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017 – 3.30pm to 5.00pm** – School Disco

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017 – 3.15pm to 5.30pm** – Christmas Event

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017 – 6.00pm** – Christingle Service at St. Leonard's Church

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017** – Christmas Lunch

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017 – 1.30pm** – Final Assembly – **SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2.00PM**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2017 to Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 – CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY  
RETURN TO SCHOOL ON THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2018**



## SCHOOL WEBSITE:

Please look at our school website ([www.turnershill.w-sussex.sch.uk](http://www.turnershill.w-sussex.sch.uk)) for up-to-date news and useful information as well as excellent websites to aid your child's learning.

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