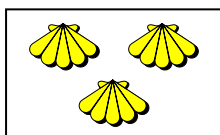


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# Half Term

## Value of the month

October Value is being **understanding (wisdom)**, the stories used to support this are 'The wise King' (Kings 3) and the two houses (Matthew 7 Luke 6)  
**SUCCESSFUL**- Please see the website for a list of the values used.

## Dates for the term

18 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual & sibling photos
19 <sup>th</sup> October	Yr 5 Tag rugby pm
w/c 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Black History Week
23rd-27th October	Half term
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Inset day
4 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 4 swim - 6 weeks (not 1 <sup>st</sup> December)
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Shoeboxes deadline
14 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-bullying week
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Yr 6 Blitz history morning
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Yr3 Celtic Harmony
1 <sup>st</sup> December	Occasional Day - school closed
13 <sup>th</sup> December am	Whole school panto- Harlow Playhouse, followed by Christmas Dinner
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Foundation Stage Nativity 11am
18 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity 9.15am
19 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity 9.15am
20 <sup>th</sup> December	End of term 2pm finish

## SECC Make Lunch - Half term

SECC Make Lunch is back this half term on **Wednesday 25th October from 11.30 am** onwards.

In order to sign up, please email [makelunch@secchurch.org.uk](mailto:makelunch@secchurch.org.uk)

Please do not hesitate to get in touch via email if you have questions regarding the event. For more information about the initiative, the charity website is - <https://www.tlg.org.uk/your-church/make-lunch>

## Be bright, Be seen

The clocks go back during half term, please remember to wear something reflective so you can be seen as the evenings draw in.

## Christmas Shoeboxes

Please support this worthwhile charity and send in your filled shoeboxes after half term. The deadline to send them in is by 13<sup>th</sup> November. Thank you.

## PE Kit

We have numerous children who forget to bring their PE kits in for their lessons. So, after half term, we will trial issuing those children who forget with a red as part of our behaviour policy. Please help your children to bring in their kits and leave them in school for the half term. If they need to go home for washing, they must be returned for the next PE lesson. Thank you for your support with this and thank you to those children who are always prepared for their PE lessons.

## PTA

Save the dates for the next PTA events:

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Spook Fest, 5.30 to 7pm

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Disco, 5.30 to 7pm

### Outstanding dinner money

After half term if your children are not in credit for dinners, we may have to ask you to provide a packed lunch, because despite our previous reminders we still have far too many large outstanding debts.

Thank you.

### Contact information and Parental consents

Please make sure you keep all your contact details and medical information up to date on Arbor. You can amend these at any time. Please also use your Arbor accounts to give Parental Consent for the information requested. Thank you.

### Individual & sibling photos

All children and siblings in school will have a photo taken on the 18<sup>th</sup> October. There is of course no obligation to purchase them. If you don't want a photo of your child taken, can you please email the office to opt out.

Long hair should be tied up as usual please.

### Final reminder - Secondary Applications - Year 6

The online process for Year 6 children is now open and closes on **31<sup>st</sup> October 2023**. Please ensure you make an on-time application for your child to the county in which you live. You will also need to complete each school's own application form, if they have one, by the 31<sup>st</sup> October.

I hope you all have a lovely half term. Please remember that Monday 30<sup>th</sup> is an Inset day and the children start back at school on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

Yours sincerely  
Mrs M. J. West  
Headteacher