

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe we've come to the end of our first term! Thank you to everyone who came to our performances this year. All the children (and staff) worked really hard to perfect their lines and songs and I am sure you are as proud as I am of what they all achieved.

This week, the Woodland Centre enjoyed sharing their learning with families. I hope you enjoyed seeing what they had been making. I hear it was yummy!

A small reminder before you go off on your two-week break. Please can all our scooter users be mindful of the busy road outside the school. There have been reports of children in the road on their scooters thinking it is safe because of the bollards. Please be careful. Please also come off your scooter when you enter school and push it to the bike shed.

As we come to the end of this term, I would like to extend my thanks to all our families for their continued support. I hope you all have a peaceful and restful break and I look forward to welcoming you back in the new year.

**Linsay Thomson**  
Headteacher

## School Spider Help Session

We will be holding a School Spider Help Session on **Tuesday 13th January at 9am.**

Please come if you need help downloading and activating the app, or if you need help accessing messages and trip letters.

If you are not yet using the School Spider app please try to download it below and create a log in during the school holidays.

[For Android phones](#)

[For Apple phones](#)

If you are a very confident app user, please come along as well to help other parents! Your help would be appreciated.

## Magic Breakfast

The charity Magic Breakfast have generously donated food for our families this holiday. All families will receive cereal, baked beans and some bagels to enjoy during the holidays as part of a nutritious breakfast.



## Important Dates

**Inset Day** - Monday 5 January. The school will be closed to children.

**Term starts for children** - Tuesday 6 January. Children come back to school.

**Year 3 visit to the British Museum** - Monday 12 January

**Closing date for Reception applications for September 2026** – Thursday 15 January

**Year 1 visit to Holy Trinity Church** - Friday 16 January

**Reception visit to the Natural History Museum** - Friday 30 January

**Half Term Holiday** – Monday 16 February – Friday 20 February

**First day of Spring Term 2** – Monday 23 February

**Last day of Spring Term 2** – Friday 27 March

**Full Term dates are** [on our website](#).

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## Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

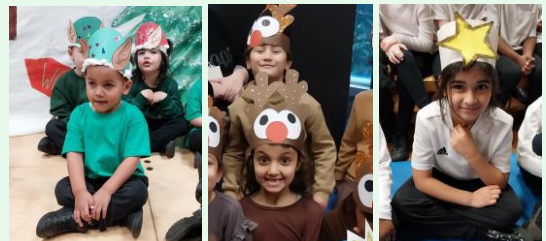
Everyone helped raised £104 on Christmas Jumper Day, an amazing achievement! This money goes directly to the Save The Children charity, who help tackle child poverty in the UK, and to projects abroad improving children's education, health and tackling hunger issues. Thank you for your donations.



The children enjoyed their Christmas lunch with their teachers in school. Chef and the ladies cooked it beautifully, and we provided crackers and squash to make it a truly festive time!

## Ralph the Reindeer

Nursery, Reception, Year1 and Year 2 proudly presented 'Ralph the Reindeer' to the parents this week. They had been learning the songs and rehearsing together to make it a joyful occasion. Well done!



## Singing Concerts



A group of children from Years 3 and 4 took part in the Wandsworth Music's Winter Sounds concert at the Fairfield Halls, Croydon. All of KS2 performed songs at the Winter Singing Concert in school for the parents too. They sang with such confidence and skill. Many thanks to the staff for all their hard work, and to Debbie and the Wandsworth Music team for leading the project.

## Reception Applications

Applications for Reception places in September 2026, for children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, close on **Thursday 15 January 2026** and are made directly through Wandsworth Council. Further details and an application form [are available here](#). **Please note: Children who are currently in the Nursery still need to apply for a place in Reception.**

Wandsworth Council will let you know about your child's Reception place on Thursday 16 April 2026.

If you have any questions or need help with your application, please call into the School Office, email us on [admin@thealton.q1e.org.uk](mailto:admin@thealton.q1e.org.uk) or call **020 8876 8482** and we will be very happy to help.

Our number one priority is to ensure that all children and adults are safe. If you are worried about something or if you are worried about someone else, you can talk to ANYONE who works for the school. Safeguarding is the responsibility of EVERYONE. Childline: 0800 1111



## HAF Holiday Camp

Over this Christmas break, Sport and Health Academy are operating a holiday camp at Heathmere Primary School.

Any children from the local area can attend (Reception to Year 6) and those who are applicable for FSM can attend completely free of charge. The camps will run on Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 December, and on Monday 29 and Tuesday 30 December, from 9am – 3pm.

The camps include structured sporting activities, healthy snacks, creative arts & crafts, a hot & healthy lunch, and a movie/library and cool down time in the afternoon.

To find out more or book your child's place, [please visit their website](https://www.sportandhealthacademy.co.uk).



**SPORT AND HEALTH ACADEMY**  
**CHRISTMAS CAMP**

This holiday season, Heathmere Primary School transforms into a hub of sports and festive cheer with our Christmas Sports Camp! Open to children of all skill levels, aged 4-11. **Please note there is only 30 FREE spaces available**

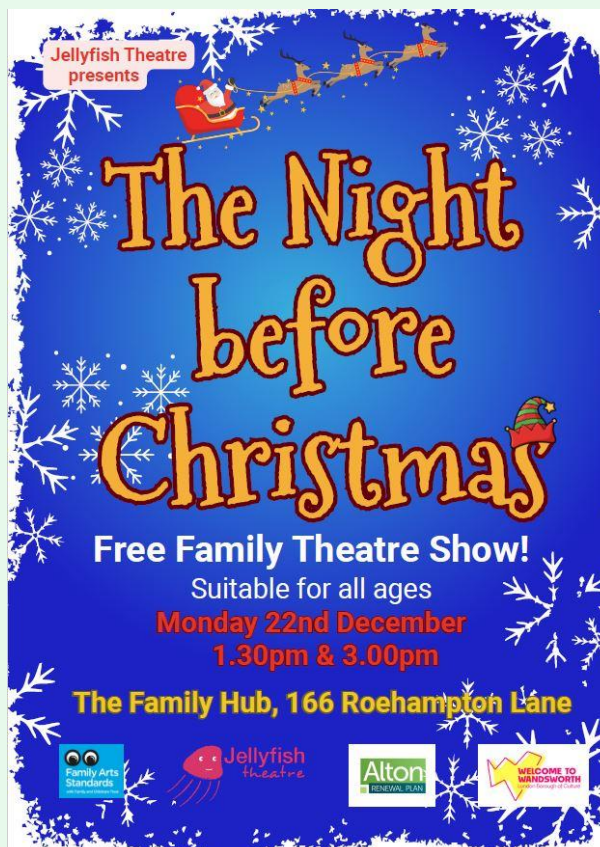
**9am-3pm**  
22 Dec 2025  
23 Dec 2025  
29 Dec 2025  
30 Dec 2025

• Board Games • Sport Activities • Arts & Crafts • Much More

Our Location At:  
HEATHMERE PRIMARY SCHOOL, SW15 4LJ

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Jellyfish Theatre presents

# The Night before Christmas

Free Family Theatre Show!  
Suitable for all ages  
**Monday 22nd December**  
**1.30pm & 3.00pm**

**The Family Hub, 166 Roehampton Lane**

Family Arts Standards  
Jellyfish theatre  
Alton  
WELCOME TO WANDSWORTH



**XMAS cookOut**  
**MEAL DISTRIBUTION**

**LOCAL LOW-COST AND FREE FOOD RESOURCES WILL BE CLOSED ACROSS ROEHAMPTON FROM 21 DECEMBER TO 3 JANUARY**

**WE ARE PROVIDING FRESHLY COOKED FROZEN MEALS BETWEEN THE 19<sup>TH</sup> DEC – 3 JAN**

**BOOKING VIA**  
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