

# GARLINGE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

## NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2

Dear Parents & Carers

The countdown to Christmas has begun as we look forward to various seasonal events!

### Learners of the Week

Congratulations to all these pupils for excellent work!



#### Week ending 11<sup>th</sup> November

RK	Brendon R	3Y	Missy C
RL	Isabel B	4B	Paige D
RM	Freya J	4W	Charlotte L
1M	Courtney R	5G	Emma L
1P	Paige K	5J	Thomas C
2C	Callie H	6B	Jack T
2M	Alisha F-R	6GP	James W
3D	Christopher F-R	6S	Dominika F

#### Week ending 18<sup>th</sup> November

RK	Erina S	3Y	Jack W
RL	Christopher A	4B	Reece M
RM	Emilia J	4W	Lauren C
1M	Liam W	5G	Charlie J
1P	Lewis F	5J	Katherine H
2C	Kaiden C	6B	Elian G
2M	Elizabete S	6GP	Beth W
3D	Lily M	6S	Ethan H

### Industrial Action

The result of the national ballot for industrial action is to support a strike. **However, our school will stay open for ALL classes.**

### Reception Admissions September 2012

All applications for our Reception 2012 intake need to be completed by Friday, 13 January 2012 (the on-line application deadline is midnight on 14 January 2012). If you have any questions or queries please contact the school office on 01843 221877 (option 1)

### Nursery Admissions January 2012

We have places available in our Nursery for our January 2012 intake. If your child has had their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday and you would like him/her to join our Nursery, please contact the school office for more details on 01843 221877 (option 1). Please note your child will be supervised by a fully qualified teacher throughout their whole session.

### Main School Entrance

We would like to remind all parents and carers that there is **no access** through the Westfield Road office entrance to the school playgrounds for dropping off and collection of children - it is **not** a thoroughfare and becomes too busy at the beginning and end of the day.

**ALL parents and carers** must enter the school grounds through the gates to KS1 and KS2, unless they are late in the morning (and the gates have already shut), when they must mark their children in at the office, with a valid reason for their lateness.

### **Lunch Boxes**

Please could Parents and Carers ensure that their child brings their packed lunch in with them first thing in the morning. Requesting late lunch boxes can put extra pressure on an already busy office, many thanks.

### **Coats**

It is now turning quite chilly and is too cold for the children to be out in the playground without a coat. Please ensure that your child has a coat with them every day. To avoid your child's coat from being misplaced please make sure you clearly write their name inside.

### **Head lice**

Cases of head lice have been reported - **please** check your child's hair regularly and treat if necessary. **REMEMBER**....wash, rinse, condition and comb, continue this routine after each hair wash (check all members of the family).

### **Cross Country**

Congratulations to the following children who represented Garlinge at the Newington Cross Country Race on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November. Well done!

Year 3 Girls: Abby M (who came 3<sup>rd</sup>), Lily J, Chloe K-H and Sian P

Year 4 Boys: Alfie S

Year 5 Girls: Eevie T

Year 5 Boys: Connor N, Jacob C, Callum M and Thomas C

Year 6 Girls: Madeleine A and Megan W

Year 6 Boys: Callum S and Asa W

### **Children in Need**

What a sight to see so many children (and staff) supporting our Children in Need campaign on Friday 18<sup>th</sup>, in pyjama's and spotty clothes. We raised a total of £440 - Well done.

### **Christmas Productions - KS1 Hall**

**Nursery** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 9.30am and 1.30pm

**Years 1 and 2** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am and 2.00pm - Tickets only

**Reception** Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am and 2pm - Tickets only (details to follow)

### **School Orchestra Christmas Event**

Parents and carers of children in the school orchestra are invited to join us on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm to listen to a selection of Christmas music and songs in the KS2 hall.

### **Christmas Parties**

The Christmas party season is upon us and whilst it is a lovely time to dress up, please be careful to send your child in to school in weather appropriate clothes for their parties on the following dates:

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Year 6

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December - Reception & Year 5

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Years 1, 2 & 3

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Year 4

### **Carol Service**

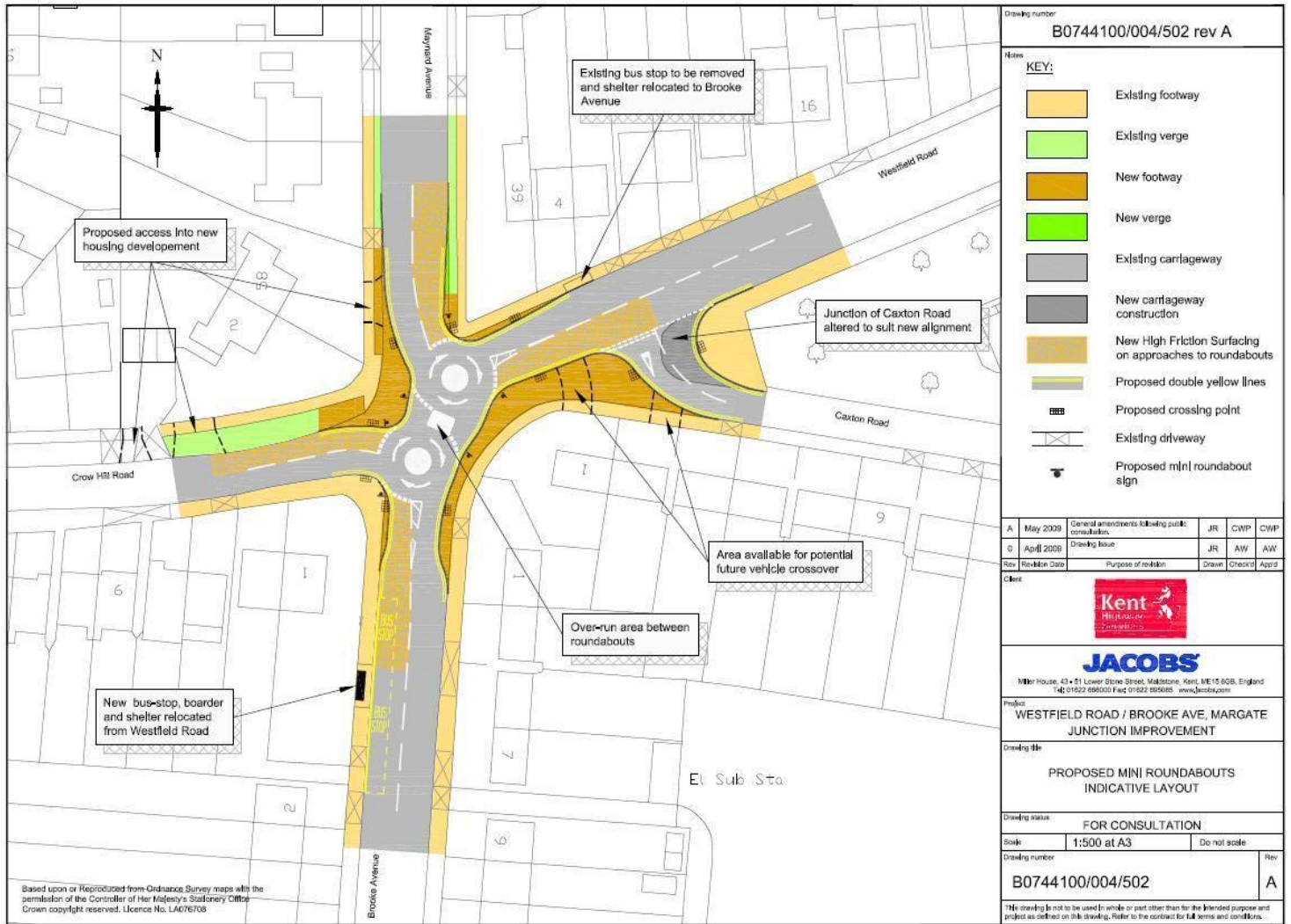
St. James Church Family Carol Service will be held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm in the KS2 hall - all are welcome.

### **Christmas Unwrapped**

Year 6 children will be attending "Christmas Unwrapped" at St. James Church on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November.

## Proposed New Road Layout

The diagram below is the proposed mini roundabout layout for the Westfield Road and Brooke Avenue junction improvement; the photographs below (taken of junctions in Maidstone and Bromley) show how it may look.



Work is scheduled to begin on 5<sup>th</sup> December, there will be a 4-way temporary traffic lights system (manually controlled at peak times), and is estimated to take 6 weeks. Please take extra care.

### Midday Meals Supervisor and Cleaner Vacancies

The above vacancies have been postponed indefinitely due to the redeployment of existing staff. If these posts are to be re-advertised we will inform you via a Newsletter. I would like to thank all those who sent in an application form for the above posts and the interest they have shown in Garlinge Primary School and Nursery. Please accept my sincere apology if this has caused you any inconvenience.

### Garlinge Primary School and Nursery PTFA

#### Bags 2 School Non-Uniform Day

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November is the PTFA Bags 2 School fundraising day, a chance for you to clear out your wardrobes with donations of adult's and children's clothing, bedding, soft toys, paired shoes, hats, belts and handbags. All children that bring in a bag on the day may come to school in non-uniform.

**ALL lost property** needs to be claimed by the 29<sup>th</sup> November, as after this date all the remaining items will be donated to the P.T.F.A "Bags to School" campaign.

#### Christmas Shopping Evening

You are invited to come and enjoy a spot of Christmas shopping to get in the festive mood, on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December between 7.00 and 9.00pm in the KS2 hall, there will be all sorts of stalls and tombola. All welcome, admission is £1, which includes a drink and a mince pie.

#### Tombola Donations

The PTFA would like to thank all parents and carers that sent their children in with donations of prizes for the Tombola that will be open at the Shopping Evening on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. All the children who donated were entered into a Teddy Raffle, the winners were:

Callum D (1M), Harry H (RL), Annabelle E (RM) and Jayden C (RM) from KS1 and Kaine B (5J), Abby M (3Y), Emilee D (5J) and Georgia P (6GP) from KS2

#### Christmas Discos

The PTFA are organising Christmas Disco's to unveil their new Disco equipment.

£2 per child - this includes a drink and a snack (to be paid at the door on the night),

Years 1, 2 and 3 - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 4.00 - 5.30pm

Years 4, 5 and 6 - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 6.00 - 7.30pm

Please complete and return the permission slip for your child to attend. This is being sent home today.

**PROMPT** collection of your child at the end of their Disco would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D M Springett  
Headteacher

25<sup>th</sup> November 2011

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