



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we were absolutely blown away by Y3's carol concert! Thank you to all those who attended and donated to Mustard Seed. In English we have been exploring information leaflets and even had a try at writing our very own about pandas. In History we looked at how Bronze is made and explored how it was used during the Bronze age period.

Have a lovely weekend!

The Y3 Team

### Key dates

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December** - Whole School Mass

**BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS 1.30pm**

**Monday 5th January** - First day of Spring Term

**REMINDER:** Children must remove earrings to take part in PE and Games lessons. If they cannot do this on their own please can they not wear earrings on those days. Thank you.

### **LOST PRPERTY**

This time of year generates a lot of lost property. PLEASE can all items coming into school be named so they can be returned to their owner if lost. Thank you

### **The Giving Tree**

This Christmas season, we will be taking part in **The Giving Tree** to support children living in refuge (<https://kidsout.org.uk/the-giving-tree/>). These children can receive very little - or in some cases nothing at all at Christmas. Families will have the opportunity to take a tag from the tree, purchase the gift listed for a child, and return it to school. We will then take the gifts to the local collection point where they'll be distributed to children living in refuge.

Each tag includes the name of a child and the gift they or their parents have said they'd love to receive.


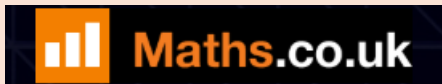


### **How it works:**

- Tags will be available for children to take **from Monday 24th November** from the tree in the school office

- Families can buy the gift and return it **unwrapped** to school, these can be left under the tree.
- Deadline for returning gifts: **Wednesday 10th December**. This then gives us time to take them to the collection point to be wrapped and distributed to the children in time for Christmas.

Thank you for considering buying a gift for a child living in refuge.

#### Homework

<p><b>Spellings - tested on Friday</b></p> 	<p><b>Maths.co.uk - due by Friday</b></p> 
<p><b>Times tables - tested on Friday</b></p> <p>You will find the times table your child is currently practising circled in their times table books.</p> <p><b>All times table books to be returned to school by Thursday each week.</b></p> 	<p><b>Reading - 15 mins per day</b></p> <p>RWI - please read the book your child has brought home.</p> <p>Accelerated Reader - please complete the quiz online once our child has finished their book.</p> <p><a href="#">Find the link to AR here.</a> Please complete at least <b>one</b> Accelerated Reader quiz per week (dependent on the size of the book).</p> 



## **Design a carpet bed for Gostrey Meadow**

### **Theme for 2026**

To celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Winnie the Pooh, the theme is:

“Literary Characters inspired by the Natural World”

Think of beloved favourites such as The Hungry Caterpillar, Peter Rabbit and Jemima Puddle-Duck, Superworm and Alice in Wonderland.

### **How to Enter**

- Create a square design for the carpet bed at Gostrey Meadow.
- Keep it simple—bold designs work better than very detailed ones.
- Email your entry to [bloom@farnham.gov.uk](mailto:bloom@farnham.gov.uk) or post it to the Farnham Town Council offices.
- Include your name, school, and year group.
- Deadline: Friday 23rd January 2026.

### **What Happens Next?**

- The winning design will be chosen by a panel of judges.
- It will be brought to life by a specialist planting team and Farnham Town Council’s Outside Workforce in early summer 2026.
- The winner will be invited for a photo with the Mayor of Farnham by the display, and a press release will be shared with local media such as the Farnham Herald and Vantage Point magazine.



*The 2025 winning carpet bed design featuring a ladybird and flowers*