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Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who came to the Soup Demo on Tuesday night. The lady who is running this scheme said she has visited many schools in the area, and the attendance at our evening was by far the best! I hope that everyone has used their free vegetables to make soup this week. On the reverse of the newsletter is a recipe for Carrot and coriander soup if you fancy trying it!

If you would like to enter the Soup Competition (writing a recipe for your own soup) please see Miss Dawe for an application form.

I sent everyone a text earlier this week to report the broken ovens in the kitchen. The kitchen staff did a great job on Thursday cooking a hot meal for 120 pupils with only half an oven working, and have done so again today! We are hoping that the ovens will be completely repaired next week so we should be back to normal again.

It has been decided that we will be closed on Monday 4th January for a school Teacher Training Day. On these days we spend a lot of time updating ourselves on new initiatives, making sure our classroom practice is cutting edge and preparing for the term ahead. I understand that many parents will be returning to work on this date, so with that in mind I have spoken to Kent Play Clubs and they are happy to do the Holiday club on that day, on the proviso that at least a minimum of 12 children are enrolled. If you would like to secure a place for your son / daughter please contact Amanda or let Mrs Crook know as soon as possible. I will confirm the early indications as to whether the club is open in next weeks newsletter.

Some of our Y12 pupils will be performing at the Hawkinge Village Christmas Concert on Sunday in the Community Centre. They will be singing Christmas songs, and the recorder club will be performing too. Thanks to Miss Godden for working on these productions this term. Miss Dawe and Miss Godden will be representing the school at the concert. Everyone is welcome.

If you have not indicated that your child would like a school Christmas dinner, or have not paid for one Monday is the absolute deadline for this. Please ensure you bring £2.03 into the school office for a Christmas lunch by Monday morning at THE LATEST. It would be helpful if you marked the school dinner envelope 'Xmas Dinner'

Seemingly there are only 17 shopping days left until Christmas!
Have a good weekend

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Diary Dates – November & December

- 9th December – PTFA gift wrapping evening – all welcome
- 11th December – Christmas Gifts Day
- 15th December – Nativity (performed by pupils in Reception, Y1 and 2)
- 16th December – Christmas Fair
- 4th January – Teacher Training Day
- 17th December – School Christmas Lunch
- January 13th – Parents evening

Let's get healthy before Christmas!

Have a go at making some home made soup – see below!

Carrot and Coriander Soup

How to prepare:

- 12 carrots washed, peeled and cubed
- ½ onion peeled and chopped
- 2 teaspoons freshly chopped coriander (or 1 teaspoon ground coriander)
- 1 sprinkle herbs de Provence
- 1 pinch basil
- 1 sprinkle ground black pepper
- 1 vegetable stock cube
- 5 pints/ 2 ½ litres water
- 2 medium potatoes washed, peeled and cubed



How to cook:

- Put the prepared carrots and potatoes into a saucepan.
- Add the onion, herbs, water and the stock cube.
- **Cook for 20 minutes or until tender.**
- **Remove from heat and blend the soup with a blender or liquidiser. If you do not have a blender/liquidiser then pass through a sieve or mash with a potato masher.**
- Serve hot as a starter with nice crusty bread
This will serve 6 as a main meal or 10 as a starter.

Remember:

Once a week, take a peek!

*Actual size of headlice
in stages of growth*



This weeks practical problem to solve

Mrs Claus made four of the workshop elves new suits for Christmas.

Each suit had matching trousers, waistcoat, jacket and hat.

One suit was all red, one was all green, one was all yellow and one was all blue. The elves were delighted with their presents, but decided it would be fun to wear a different outfit every day for as many days as possible. So they agreed to swap around parts of their suits until they ran out of new combinations.

How many days did their fun last?

Well done

Below is a list of children who were "Gold Award Winners" in the November Primary Mathematics Challenge:
Aidan Fox, Caitlin Kelly, Amy Paterson, Jemima Small, Maria Windsor, Katie Hutchinson, William Dixon, Jacob Moorcroft & Aidan Terris. Well done to you all!

Mrs Hughes Money Saving Tip of the Week

There are two key vouchers available at the moment.

The Gap website has a promo page with a 30% off printable voucher valid until Sunday.

Plus head into La Senza and find its free mini-magazines and, on page 10, there's a 20% off discount coupon valid until Monday.

Happy Christmas Shopping!

School Hockey

This Saturday the school hockey team are having their first matches. This will be at the Cheriton sports ground at the back, behind the cricket ground. You are all welcome to come along and support. I am looking forward to seeing you. (Aiden Fox)

Letters sent home this week

- Dance club letter
- E safety – Y56
PTFA Christmas Letter

If you have not received one of these letters please contact Mrs Crook in the office on Monday