

Thank-you if you came to this week's Christingle. The children in Years 3 and 4 performed brilliantly – there was so much enthusiasm and joy in the hall, you couldn't help but to get into the Christmas spirit. It was lovely to welcome Rev. Sarah from St Barnabas too, to help us understand the meaning behind advent and Christingle.

This week it is our younger children's turn to perform. Everyone from Nursery to Year 2 have been practising hard. Four Nativity performances will take place across 3 days; on Friday, there were still tickets left for the morning performances. Then, on Friday 13<sup>th</sup>, Nursery parents are welcome to join their children in singing Christmas songs (no tickets needed) There's so much to look forward to.

### National Christmas Jumper Day

All children are invited to wear a Christmas Jumper on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December** (sorry wrong day on last week's newsletter)

This is a national day to raise awareness and funds for Save the Children – a charity which raises money to support children in the UK and around the world. Since the first Christmas Jumper Day in 2012, £30million has been raised, with £3 in 2023 alone.

If you would like to donate, please send cash with children on Thursday and we will pass it on to this worthwhile cause.

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day>



If your child doesn't have a Christmas jumper, please don't feel that you must buy one. Any Christmassy addition to the school uniform, will be just as good or just normal uniform is ok too!

### Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> December

#### Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December

#### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

**Nativity 2pm (Reception, Year 1 and 2) Tickets only**

#### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

**Nativity 10am (Reception, Year 1 and 2) Tickets only**

#### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December

**Nativity 10am AND 2pm (Reception, Year 1 and 2) Tickets only**

### **National Christmas Jumper Day**

#### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December

**Nursery Sing-a-long**

**11.15am and 2.45pm**

**Nursery parents invited**

**ALL CLUBS, EXCEPT LITTLE PEARS ARE NOW FINISHED. NEW CLUBS WILL BE ORGANISED NEXT TERM.**

**A letter will be sent home on Tuesday giving more details of the Christmas Fayre on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December.**

**Please look out for the letter and ask if you don't get one!**



**SCHOOL  
VALUES**

**PROUD  
TO BE ME**

**ENJOY  
LEARNING**

**ACHIEVE  
SUCCESS**

**RESPECT FOR THE  
WORLD**



### Keeping Children Safe

#### Safeguarding and Family Support

#### Designated Safeguarding

**Lead:** Mrs S Ricketts

#### Deputy Safeguarding Leads:

Mrs A Donnelly

Mr D Davies

Mrs R Hussain

#### Pastoral/ behaviour leads:

Mr D Davies and Mr Ryan

#### Special Educational Needs:

Mrs E Davis-Lloyd (SENDCO)

Mrs L Montgomery (Inclusion lead)

If you have a concern about a child or wish to speak about any worries, please see one of our team. They can signpost families to additional support, if it is required.

Anyone can make a referral to Children's services.

[Children's Social Care |](#)

[Worcestershire County Council](#)

In an emergency, always ring 999.

#### Keeping Children Safe Online

It is everyone's responsibility to ensure children are safe in day to-day life and online. Please check your child's online activity,

- Check game age advisory notices
- Limit children's time spent online
- Set filters so that inappropriate material is blocked
- Keep phones, tablets etc. out of bedrooms

### Attendance

Year group	Week beginning 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	This half-term	This Term
Reception	98.1	93.84	95.1%
Year 1	93.2	94.1	93.98%
Year 2	91.8	93.4	92.03%
Year 3	92.5	92.5	94.66%
Year 4	97.2	94.88	95.5%
Year 5	91.7	93.65	93.89%
Year 6	97.4	95.58	96.28%
<b>Whole School (Rec - Y6)</b>	<b>94.55%</b>	<b>93.99%</b>	<b>94.49%</b>

### Christmas Choir

Those of you who have seen our Christmas Choir perform this year will know how fabulous they are. On Friday, they were asked to perform outside the Guildhall by Worcester Rotary and for unforeseen reasons had to do so without a backing track! This didn't put them off and they were amazing! We even received an email from a member of the public who heard them and was so impressed she took time to write in to say so.

The choir will next be performing at Rowen Court on Tuesday (sorry only Rowen court residents for this one) and then will also open our Christmas Fayre on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

Thank-you to Miss Squire, Mrs Dukes and Mrs Train for their dedication towards our children.

**There will be no newsletter next week. Next publication ready for the new year.**

**School breaks up at 3.15pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. No Little Pears that evening.**

**School returns for staff and children on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025.**

**We would like to take this chance to wish all of you who celebrate a very "Happy Christmas" and best wishes to you all for the New Year.**

### Autumn Term Events

#### Nativity – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2pm

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 10am

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 10am AND 2pm

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 11.15am and 2.45pm Nursery Christmas Sing-a-long

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm Christmas Fayre

More details will be sent but **school will close for all children Reception – Year 6 at 1pm**. This is to enable families to enjoy the Christmas Fayre together.

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December School Christmas Dinner. ALL (Rec – Year 6) children will be invited to eat a tradition Christmas lunch together

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Parties for all children across the school.

**HAVE YOU ORDERED YOUR CHILD'S LUNCH FOR NEXT WEEK?  
IF NOT, PLEASE DO SO VIA SQUID.**

#### Term Dates 2024-25

##### Autumn Term 2

Monday 4th November – Friday 20th December

##### Spring Term

Monday 6th January – Thursday 13th February

Monday 24th February – Thursday 10th April

##### Summer Term

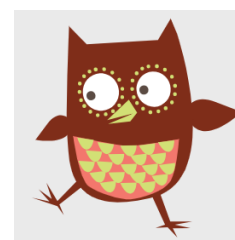
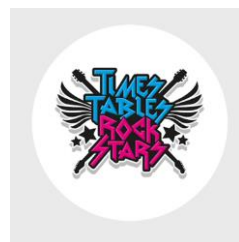
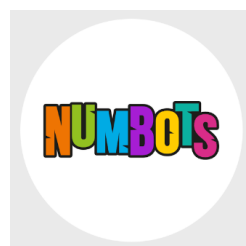
Monday 28th April – Thursday 22nd May

Monday 2nd June – Friday 18th July

On the following dates, school will be closed to children for staff training

Friday 14th February; Friday 11th April; Friday 23rd May, Monday 21st July

School may be closed over Christmas, but children can still access the following sites to help them:



Oxford Owl