



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of a busy and successful term, we would like to take this opportunity to thank our whole school community for their hard work, commitment, and support.

The past few weeks have been filled with learning, celebration, and reflection, and our Christmas events have been a wonderful reminder of the joy and togetherness this season brings. As we prepare to break for Christmas, we hope this newsletter captures some of the special moments from the term and helps us look ahead with gratitude and excitement for the year to come.



Nativity/ Christmas Concerts



Thank you to all our parents and families for taking the time to join us at WPA's Christmas Nativities and Concert. Your presence and support made these events truly special for our students. The enthusiasm, encouragement, and sense of community you bring mean so much to us and to the children, and it was wonderful to celebrate the joy of the season together. We are grateful for your continued support and wish you and your families a very happy Christmas.

Key dates for the next 2 weeks:

Jan 6th	Spring term starts 8:40am
Jan 9th	Choir Young Voices
Jan 19th	World Religion Day
Jan 21st	Year 2 Hampton Court Palace
January 27th	Year 4 The Oxfordshire Museum, Woodstock



Sparkling Christmas Tree Decorations

Our school Christmas tree has never looked more magical! This year, the children have created wonderful handmade decorations, each one bursting with colour, creativity, and festive imagination. From glittering stars and carefully crafted baubles to cheerful little characters, every decoration reflects the children's hard work and holiday spirit.



A Truly Wonderful Christmas Lunch



This week, our pupils and staff enjoyed a fantastic Christmas lunch, and the school was filled with happy faces and festive cheer. The hall looked beautifully decorated, and the delicious smells of a traditional holiday meal set the perfect scene for a joyful afternoon together.

A huge thank you goes to our incredible kitchen team, who worked so hard to prepare such a tasty feast for everyone. From the crispy roast potatoes to the perfectly cooked vegetables—and, of course, the much-anticipated dessert—it was a meal enjoyed by all!

Sharing a festive lunch as a school community is always a highlight of the term, and this year was no exception. It was a lovely moment of togetherness, celebration, and seasonal spirit.





Christmas Jumper Day



Yesterday's Christmas Jumper Day was a wonderful burst of colour, sparkle, and festive fun across the whole school! Pupils and staff arrived in an amazing array of jumpers—glittering snowflakes, dancing reindeer, jingling bells, and even a few light-up masterpieces. The joy and enthusiasm on display truly captured the spirit of the season.

Most importantly, our school community came together to support Save the Children, raising an impressive amount through donations big and small. Thank you to every family who contributed—your generosity helps make a real difference to children around the world. It was a heartwarming day full of smiles, laughter, and Christmas cheer, and we couldn't be prouder of our pupils for embracing the fun while supporting such a meaningful cause.



Pantomime Fun: Princess Jasmine & Aladdin's Wedding!

What a treat we had last week! The children were absolutely delighted by the lively and colourful pantomime performance of Princess Jasmine and Aladdin's Wedding. From the moment the show began, the hall was filled with laughter, excitement, and plenty of enthusiastic audience participation—just as every good panto should be!

The performers brought the magical story to life with brilliant humour, dazzling costumes, catchy songs, and lots of silly moments that the children thoroughly enjoyed. There were gasps, giggles, and plenty of "Oh yes they did!" throughout the afternoon.

It was a wonderful experience for everyone, and the children left buzzing with joy. A huge thank you to the cast for giving us such a memorable festive performance—one that will be talked about right up until Christmas!





It has come to our attention that some children in our school are using WhatsApp. Please be reminded that **this app is intended for users aged 13 and over**. We encourage parents and guardians to monitor their child's use of messaging apps and discuss online safety regularly to help keep them safe.



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WhatsApp

A Guide for Parents & Carers

WhatsApp is a free messenger app. It uses the internet to send messages, images, documents, audio or video. The app offers end-to-end encryption, which means that all messages can only be read by the sender and the recipient.

Privacy



Help your child how to **adjust their privacy settings**, such as hiding their profile photo, last seen status and about info. Set them to either of the following:

My Contacts: available to contacts from their address book only
Nobody: not available to anyone

Talk to them about not sharing their personal details online.

Messaging



Encourage your child to think about these things before they message:

- Is it kind?
- Is it true?
- Would your parents/guardians approve?
- Would you say it to their face?
- Have you asked permission to post photos?
- Have you used your online manners?
- You don't have to join in!

Contacts



Make your child understands that they should **only connect with friends, family or trusted individuals**.

Teach them not to accept messages from **unknown contacts**.

Go over with your child how to **add, block and report contacts**.

Group Chats



When a child is added into a **Group Chat**, they may include people they don't know. This can put them at risk of being contacted by a stranger.

Go to **Settings -> Privacy -> Groups**. Select specific contacts that can add your child into groups.

Encourage your child to only join a group with people they **know and trust**.

Location



WhatsApp allows users to share their **location** with others.

If this feature is enabled, it could potentially let others **track** your child's location or discover their home address.

Speak to your child about keeping this feature **disabled**.

Check



Check in with your child regularly to **review their phone settings**.

Have an open dialogue about their WhatsApp usage and **how often** they are using the messaging app.

Encourage them to share what they're experiencing and periodically check that they are **staying safe and happy** online.

Encourage your child to come to you if **ANYTHING** online makes them feel uncomfortable, upset or worried.



Is your child 3 or 4 years old?

Primary school place – you must apply now

If your child was born on or between **1 September 2021** and **31 August 2022**, you need to apply for a primary school place now.

You must still apply even if your child already attends a nursery attached to the school.

Deadline for applications is **15 January 2026**.

Apply online at

[www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/
primaryadmissions](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions)

– it's quick, easy and secure.

You can get free access to the internet at many of our libraries and children's centres – ask for details at your local facility.



For help and information:

Web: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Email: admissions.schools@oxfordshire.gov.uk

Tel: **01865 519800 Option 2**



BOOK DONATIONS NEEDED

We're on a mission to expand our Reading for Fun collection and we need your help!

We're looking for good-quality picture books and chapter books to inspire a love of reading in our pupils.

Have any books your children have outgrown?
We'd love to give them a new home!



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