



Newsletter

Friday 16th November 2018

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Our lovely choir are going to be singing at the St Peter's Together Church service on Sunday morning at 10am. They are also going to be singing a few Christmas songs at Cassington Café in the Village Hall at about 10:30 on Monday morning.

Everyone is welcome to come along and support them.

Get in touch -

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or

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You only have until Wednesday morning to order your child's Christmas dinner.

Please either complete the ParentMail form or email Emily in the office.



Important information



When your children come back in to school on Monday morning, hopefully we'll have a Christmas Tree and all the Christmas decorations up. A big



to the SPSA for doing this for us.



Football



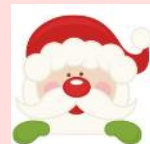
Please make sure that from now on if your children play football at break or lunchtime, they need to have a change of clothes. It doesn't matter what—just old joggers or an old tracksuit is fine. Unfortunately the field is getting so muddy that they won't be allowed to play if they are still in their uniform.

Thank you

DONATIONS

The SPSA are currently looking for prizes for the tombola at the Christmas Fayre. If you have any unwanted gifts or anything suitable, all donations will be welcome! Please leave your donations with Emily in the office.

Many thanks





Important information



Outdoor shoes

It's reached that time of year when ALL children need some outdoor shoes. The field is getting extremely muddy and we are trying to prevent that mud tracking into the classrooms. Either wellies or trainers are ok. However, unless your child is actually playing football, wellies are preferable for going on the field. And please make sure your child has a coat!



Yenworthy payments

Today is the last day for the third Yenworthy payment. Your account should now only have £100 left. If you haven't made this payment yet, please do so as soon as possible.

Thank you to those who have paid the instalments on time or who have paid the whole amount.

The final £100 needs to be paid before the end of January.

Parking

We've had a few instances of staff arriving and not being able to park because there are cars belonging to parents and carers in the staff car park. We've also had staff blocked in at the end of the day!

Please park considerately, using either the village hall car park, the laybys on the road, or in Bell close and walking up the footpath. Remember - please don't park on the main road by the bend because it makes it dangerous for other road users. Thank you.





Important information



Don't forget next Friday is the Salvation Army jumper day!

We hope to see some fantastic Christmassy jumpers! In exchange, we are asking for small, new, unwrapped presents that we can send to the Salvation Army, who then distribute them to less-fortunate children in Oxfordshire.



Please see the letter from Miss Watts near the end of the newsletter for more information.



Oak Tree have been practising hard and their play is coming on really well.

Our Christmas tree will soon be looking beautiful—thank you, ladies!

Theatre trip

Please note that on Wednesday 12th December yrs 1 - 6 are going into Oxford to see 'Nativity—the musical'. We will be leaving at about 1:30 and returning between 4-4:30. When we are leaving Oxford I will put an ETA up on facebook, so keep an eye out for it. Please make sure that you are here to pick your child up at that time.

A letter with further details and a permission slip will be sent out by ParentMail at the beginning of next week—please sign and return it as soon as you can.

Apple Tree (Reception and Nursery) will be having an entertainer come to school the same afternoon, but will be leaving school as usual at 3pm.





Art in Maple



DON'T FORGET
SPSA meeting on Tuesday 4th December—8pm at the Red Lion



Important Dates



Sunday 2nd December -	St Peter's Together-10am service at St Peter's Church
Monday 3rd December -	Rockets for Apple Tree Choir singing at Cassington Café - 10am
Tuesday 4th December -	SPSA meeting - Red Lion - 8pm
Wednesday 5th December -	Apple Tree Christmas songs - 9:30am
Friday 7th December -	Salvation Army Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 11th December -	Oak Class performance - 1:30
Wednesday 12th December -	Christmas Pantomime for Oak, Maple & Willow A Big Voice for Apple Tree
Thursday 13th December -	Oak Class performance - 6pm
Sunday 16th December -	Christmas Fayre - 3-6pm
Friday 14th December -	Stay and Pay in Apple Tree class - 2-3pm - £2
Wednesday 19th December -	Christingle service at St Peter's Church - 9:30am Christmas dinner
Thursday 20th December -	Christmas parties
Friday 21st December -	End of term - 1:15pm



Don't forget that the Christmas challenges start next week!

Please encourage your child to have a go at a few of them because they are great fun. For a complete list please see the page at the end of the newsletter.

LOST

Someone has lost a named, pink puffa jacket from Boden. If you have seen it, please let the office know. Thank you.







Awards of the Week



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If your child has an award below, you are invited to join us for our Celebration Assembly next Friday at 9 o'clock in the school hall:

Class	Special Award Term Focus - Presentation	Star Award
	Sasha Forostovskaya	Acton Forest Hanna Koper
	Martha Paulin	Olly Hollis Ameer Khokhar
	Joseph Iftimie-Taylor	Megan Martin Amelie Johnson
	Rain Ryan	Harry Finch Eva Bartlett
	Bella Thomas-Clarke	

Keep the date:

Make sure you keep 2nd March 2019 free for an
SPSA Comedy Night!





A message from Mr Jeffries



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we head towards Christmas, I am reminded of a conversation with Emily and Mr Long (way!) back in September where they were both adamant that of any changes I was intending to make in the school, the Christmas challenges must remain! It is only today when I saw Emily excitedly choose the prizes and Mr Long simultaneously burst in the office with a beaming smile and animatedly explaining that he was going to go through the challenges with his class this afternoon... that I can now see the passion the school has for this!

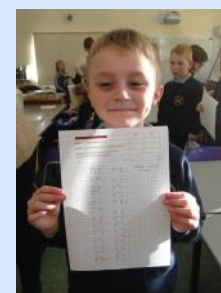
There was a lot to celebrate in assembly this morning – in addition to the great work the children have been doing to earn their star awards, we also celebrated many judo achievements with trophies and gradings, gymnastics awards and dance trophies. I was very proud to see the children inspiring each other to try new activities and sharing their lessons for life; you can achieve amazing things with resilience and an open mind.

Thank you for all the feedback regarding the behaviour policy both directly to me and via teachers. The children have very quickly become used to the new routines and expectations but of course it takes time to become fully embedded. I have been particularly impressed with the results of the reflection sheets whereby children are now more able to talk about and understand their own behaviour. If you have any specific concerns, please discuss with the class teacher in the first instance. Please speak to me if you feel this has not resolved the situation or if you think there is anything I need to be made aware of.

I am looking forward to sharing my first Christmas at St Peter's with you all. There is much to look forward to with our nativity performances from Apple and Oak class, our church service, Christmas dinner, Christmas party, theatre trip and much more! A big thank you to Mrs Khokhar and Miss Perrin who have beautifully decorated our Christmas tree, Mrs Jeeves who organised the tree and the SPSA for decorating the hall so beautifully.

Have a lovely weekend,

With warmest wishes,





CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Sunday 16th December 3-6pm

Festive Stalls including:

cards, books, gift wrap, decorations, wreaths, candles, knitted items, crafts and much more

Seasonal refreshments & Mulled Wine

Raffle with lots of great prizes!

For tickets, please contact the school office.

Secret present room • Games room

And an appearance by Santa in his grotto!





Christmas Challenges



Dear Children,

On Monday 3rd December we will be starting some Christmas Challenges! There are all sorts of things to try, so hopefully everyone will try and enter a few. Some of you might enter every single one! (There will be small prizes.) Some of the challenges are set over the weekend so you'll have plenty of time for making and doing before judging takes place on the following dates:

Monday 3rd December -

Make a Christmas card to send to other schools in the EPA.

Tuesday 4th December -

Bring in a design (drawn onto a sheet of A4 paper) for a fabulous Christmas machine and explain what it is for.

Wednesday 5th December -

Recite a Christmas tongue-twister or tell a Christmas joke.

Thursday 6th December -

Make a Christmas Tree decoration to go on your class Christmas Tree.

Friday 7th December -

Wear a Christmas jumper for the Salvation Army—donations of small unwrapped presents, please. (See newsletter for details)

Monday 10th December -

Make a mini nativity scene out of recycled materials. (No more than 30cm wide / high)

Tuesday 11th December -

Apple Tree and Oak classes—perform a skill (The list is endless; it could be judo, ball skills, card tricks, juggling, playing an instrument etc.)

Wednesday 12th December -

Draw or paint a Christmas picture (the best from each class will go into the newsletter)

Thursday 13th December -

Maple and Willow classes—perform a skill (The list is endless; it could be judo, ball skills, card tricks, juggling, playing an instrument etc.)

Friday 14th December -

Wear a Christmas jumper for the Save the Children.

Monday 17th December -

Sing a Christmas song or carol.

Tuesday 18th December -

Design a Christmas wordsearch / crossword / puzzle.

Wednesday 19th December -

Make a Christmas Table Decoration, which will be used to decorate the tables for our school Christmas dinner.

Thursday 20th December -

Make a Christmas hat for today's Christmas party.

Friday 21st December -

Bring your nearly completed Advent Book into school to receive your prize.

(Please bring all entries that you've made, to the hall in the morning)

Good Luck!



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Dear Parents/Carers,

This year we have decided to support the Salvation Army's Christmas present Appeal. We feel that it is an incredibly worthy and important cause which sits close to home. The Appeal aims to provide as many children, and their families, as possible with Christmas presents throughout the United Kingdom. These children and their families are affected by varying circumstances which mean that without the help of charities like the Salvation Army, they would have nothing at all during the Christmas period. Their belief is that no child should have to go without Christmas.

The way in which we have chosen to support their cause this year is to donate small, unwrapped presents – for children of all ages – that can then be sent off to their sorting warehouses, packaged, and distributed to children throughout Oxfordshire. We will be inviting all of the pupils to come to school wearing their best Christmas jumper on Friday 7th December, in exchange for the donation of a small gift to donate to the appeal. The Salvation Army asks for gifts for children ranging from age 3 – 16, suggesting; dolls, teddy bears, clothes, books, colouring pens/pencils, footballs, CDs, DVDs, games, hair accessories, and make up. All gifts donated are asked to be brand new/ unused.

There will also be an assembly on Wednesday 12th December when the Oxford representatives for the Salvation Army will be coming to thank the school for their donations.

If you have any questions regarding the appeal and how we are supporting it, please do not hesitate to ask.

Many thanks,

Miss Watts

HAVE YOU SEEN STOLEN TILLY



STOLEN TILLY TIBETAN TERRIER OX29



FINDERS FEE for INFORMATION
leading to her safe return

07906 073673

or **07977 049267**

TIBETAN TERRIER
Missing from Long Hanborough
Oxfordshire **(OX29)**

Missing since
15th September 2018



PLEASE help us get her home! or call confidentially
0844-800 3220