

## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Carers,

What an exciting week it has been so far! Our children have blown us away with their outstanding Christmas performances. We were incredibly impressed with the efforts they made to learn their lines, songs and dance moves. I would like to thank the staff for their hard work leading up to the productions and on the nights themselves, and parents for your unwavering support for our school which has been shown by your positive comments and generous donations. Across all performances, enough money was collected to cover the cost of the hall hire at St Laurence, a donation to the church for use of the Church Hall, and all costumes/props we needed for both Key Stages. Thank you again, it is very much appreciated by us all.

Kind regards,

Simon Fletcher.

## Pandemonium at the Panto

Key Stage Two outshone themselves with their amazing performance of 'Panto Pandemonium'! All the children's costumes were outstanding and all our hard work proved worthwhile with such a spectacular show on Tuesday night. We were amazed with the bravery of the soloists and for all the effort that the children put in. WELL DONE ALL!



On Wednesday, KS2 children enjoyed a special assembly from Gill Smith, education officer at Wessex Water, who talked to them about the water cycle and the role that Wessex Water plays in keeping water clean and safe. She also encouraged them to think about how they could save water. The children reinforced their understanding with different activities in school about the water cycle.

## A Midwife Crisis

WOW! What can we say? The F/KS1 performance was just wonderful! Full of humour, song, dance and fabulous acting. The children in Robin, Woodpecker and Kingfisher classes did themselves, their parents and the school proud. We were impressed by every single child and all that they achieved. We really hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

Of course these shows cannot go ahead without all the staff and volunteers who work tirelessly behind the scenes helping us to put the performance together. Thank you one and all. Special thanks go to the Hole family for their help with parking at Church Farm, and Mr & Mrs Cortilla for the festive outside lighting, Rachel Bedford and Jo Svendsen for manning the doors and taking tickets for both performances. Thank you Miss Connolly for sourcing the wonderful spotlights, giving all our star performers their moment to shine. Lastly we want to say thank you for the use of the Church Hall, this is such a lovely venue and it makes all the difference having access to stage and being able to perform, to a large audience.

Well done everyone!

Merry Christmas love from Mrs Genner, Mrs Liddiard, Mrs Pugh & Miss Davis.

## Kestrel Class Christmas Games Thursday 20 December



Kestrels will be hosting their own belated contribution to the Christmas fair on Thursday afternoon at Atworth. They are busily creating Christmas games for younger children to play and will be charging 10p a time. They would love it if children would bring in some money to play on

Thursday afternoon. The games will also be in the hall for 20 minutes after school for any younger (or older) siblings who want to have a go!



## Forest School

The last forest school session of the term will take place on the morning of Wednesday 19 December for Falcon Class.



## KS2 Topic Term 3

Key Stage Two's new topic is Fashion. Without giving too much away, we would like donations of clothes, material or other fashion resources to be brought into school at the beginning of term 3. Please can you send donations in named bags so we know who to thank. We will be sharing the resources throughout KS2 and it will not be possible to return them in the same state that they arrive in, so please don't send in favourite items.



## CAROL SERVICE

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December,  
1:15pm, St Michael's  
Church, Atworth

Everyone is welcome to join us  
at our Carol Service.

The PTA will be serving tea & mince pies afterwards,  
in the school hall at Atworth, and we look forward to  
seeing you there.

A coach is booked after lunch to bring Robin &  
Falcon classes over to the church and back again to  
Monkton Farleigh for pick up at the end of the school  
day.

Parents/Carers of pupils from Monkton Farleigh who  
are in attendance will be able to take their children  
straight afterwards if they so wish. Please ensure you  
inform your child's classteacher at the time so they  
can make a note.

Children from Monkton Farleigh who do not have  
parents/carers attending the service will have to  
return to the Monkton Farleigh base by coach and  
be released at the normal time for collection.

Pupils of the Atworth base will be taken back to  
school after the service and released at the normal  
time.

*We look forward to seeing lots of you there.*



## CAROL SINGING

Everyone is welcome to join  
in!

You will need to wrap up warm  
and bring a torch and please note  
– children need to be  
accompanied by an adult.

★ **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December - MF**

Carols on the amphitheatre, 3pm- 3:30pm

★ **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December –  
Atworth**

Meeting at 4:30pm in the School Hall before  
singing around the village

## Church Sevices and Events

### Benefice of Atworth with Shaw and Whitley

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 6pm

A traditional service of Lessons and areols in St.  
Michael's Church, Atworth

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas Eve

4 p.m. Crib Service in St Michaels's  
Church Atworth

5:30 p.m. Crib Service in Christ Church, Shaw

11:30 p.m. Midnight Mass in St Michael's  
Church Atworth

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas Day

10 a.m. Family Celebration followed by short Holy  
Communion in Christ Church, Shaw

### Whitley Methodist Church

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December

10:30 a.m. Carol Service do come along and enjoy  
singing some traditional Carols, followed by coffe  
/tea and hot mince pies

### Churches of North Bradford on Avon & Villages

Sunday 16 December Carol Service

6 p.m. Christchurch Bradford on Avon

6 p.m. St. Peter's Church, Monkton  
Farleigh

Sunday 23 December Carol Service

6 p.m. St James Church, South Wraxall

6:30 p.m. St Nicholas Church, Winsley

Monday 24 December, Christmas Eve

10 a.m. Nativity Service St James, South Wraxall

4 p.m. Crib Service St Peter's Church, Monkton  
Farleigh

5 p.m. Nativity Service ChristChurch, Bradford on  
Avon (*calling all children who would like to  
play angels, shepherds & wise men.*

*Costumes available or you can bring your  
own*)

6 p.m. Crib Service St Nicholas Church, Winsley

### Midnight Communion

11:15 p.m. ChristChurch, Bradford on Avon

11:15 p.m. St Nicholas Church, Winsley

11:15 p.m. St James' Church, South Wraxall  
(Joint service with Monkton  
Farleigh)

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas Day

Holy Communion Services

8 a.m. Book of Common Prayer St  
Nicholas Church, Winsley

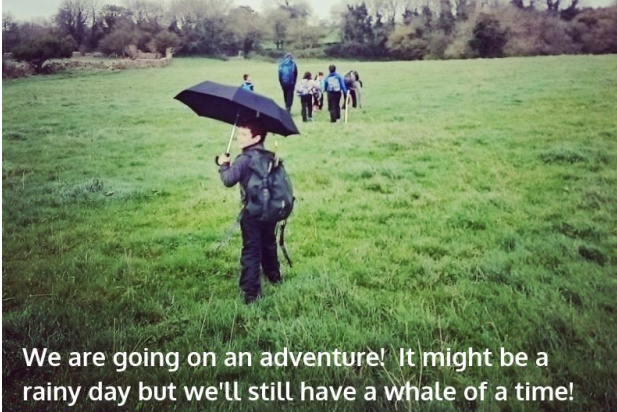
10 a.m. Common Worship St Nicholas  
Church, Winsley

10 a.m. CW St Peter's, Monkton Farleigh  
(joint service with South Wraxall)

10:30 a.m. CW Christchurch, Bradford on  
Avon



## Swainswick Explorers Christmas Holiday Events



We are going on an adventure! It might be a rainy day but we'll still have a whale of a time!

Eat, cook, walk, splash, play, make. For 4-14 yrs.

A mix of countryside Explorer & crafty 'At Home' Days

Wed 2nd Jan, Thurs 3rd Jan & Fri 4th Jan

Details & online booking at

[www.swainswickexplorers.co.uk](http://www.swainswickexplorers.co.uk)



## Swainswick Explorers is going on an adventure! Come and join us.

If you are looking for childcare or a treat for your child this holidays Swainswick Explorers is running a mixture of countryside Explorer Days and craft-packed 'At Home' days from Wednesday 2nd through to Friday 4th January. Please see [www.swainswickexplorers.co.uk](http://www.swainswickexplorers.co.uk) for details. To show your child what it's like see videos and pics on our instagram @swainswickstyle follow us!

## Saturday Sewing with Swainswick Explorers

Parents, have you ever wanted to join in with our kids activities? Now you can. On Sat 5th Jan and Sat 2nd Feb we have 2 special Saturday events, Light Up January and Light Up February which are for everyone. They are e-textile workshops led by designer and maker Annie Lywood. We'll be making 'light up' bracelets or broaches with sewable LEDs. This event is for everyone, with a minimum age of 10 years due to dexterity required. £30 pp, 8 people max, 10am - 1pm. Gift vouchers available. Please see [www.swainswickexplorers.co.uk](http://www.swainswickexplorers.co.uk) for details. To see our sewing videos and pics on instagram @swainswickstyle follow us!

# LIGHT UP



❄️ **Sat  
5th  
Jan**

❄️ **Sat  
2nd  
Feb**

❄️ **THE NEW YEAR**  
**E-TEXTILES** ❄️  
**10+ TO ADULT**



## School admissions consultation

Wiltshire Council is consulting on the proposed admission arrangements for all voluntary controlled and community schools for 2020/21 entry.

We are also consulting on the proposed co-ordinated primary and secondary schemes for 2020/21 entry.

Consultation begins on Monday 26 November 2018 and ends on Monday 14 January 2019.

To view these proposals visit:

[www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-admissions-consultation](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-admissions-consultation)

Please send any comments to the School Admissions Team

Email: [admissions@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@wiltshire.gov.uk)

or write to: School Admissions Team, Wiltshire Council,  
County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge BA14 8JN



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## Diary Dates Term 2

Term 2	
Tuesday 18 December	Carol Service Atworth Church 1:15pm
Wednesday 19 December	Falcon Forest School Session (am)
Wednesday 19 December	Monkton Farleigh Carols on the Amphitheatre 3pm – 3:30pm
	Atworth Carol Singing 4:30pm (meet at the school hall)
Friday 21 December	End of Term 2
Tuesday 08 January - Term 3 begins	

### Future INSET days for Academic Year 2018/2019:

Monday 7th January  
Friday 5th April  
Monday 3rd June  
Thursday 25th July