

## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer,

As 2018 draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members of the Churchfields school community for their support over the past year. Our school continues to go from strength to strength thanks to everyone's hard work and commitment despite the challenges facing schools at the current time. I do hope you all have a very merry Christmas and a positive start to 2019. We look forward to seeing pupils again on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January.

Kind Regards,

Simon Fitcher.

## Book Day Fundraising

We received a fantastic present this week - a massive box of nearly-new books! Cast your minds back to early November when we raised money by dressing up as book characters. All your generous contributions have meant we now have over one hundred new books to enjoy in school and take home, ranging from ones for early readers right up to older fiction for 11+. We can't wait to start reading them!

## Carols on the Amphitheatre Monkton Farleigh

Our Carols on the Amphitheatre on Wednesday evening was an absolute delight. Thank you to all who stayed with their children to join in the songs.

## Carol singing Atworth

Thank you to all the carol singers who entertained the village of Atworth on Wednesday evening. We had some lovely comments from people who were pleased to see us, and even got to sing with Hereford Cathedral organ (in Ken's garage!) and eat mince pies. We also raised £8.60 which will support 2 and a half children through Wellboring!



## Wellboring

KS2 were delighted to welcome Graeme from the charity Wellboring to talk about the work they do in providing clean, safe water for schools, and their local communities in

Africa. Graeme explained that many schools have up to 30% of children off school every day due to water-related diseases, both from drinking dirty water and a lack of water for sanitation. We thought about how heavy it is to carry enough water for a family and were astonished at how far people would have to walk. As a result, the children have decided that they would like to raise money for others who are not as fortunate as themselves and enable a school in Africa to have a well to provide enough safe, clean water for their children.

Kestrels have been looking at water-vulnerable communities in Africa this week, and have been showing their understanding through writing.

Dear diary,

The water is scarce. We haven't had a cooked meal for 3 days now and I only get about 10l of water each day. Dad hasn't been able to grow any really big juicy maize: we need water to cook it anyway and now maize is terrible. I don't know what to do. It is so hot here. We need clean water to wash ourselves and our clothes. What are we supposed to do? We don't have a chance. This is going all so slowly. I can't even wash my hands in clean water - the water is all so muddy and filled with tiny micro little bugs.

Willow

## Thirst

We have not water,  
I don't know what to do,  
My family need water, and,  
I do too

The birds haven't been,  
Well, not what I've seen,  
I cannot cook my rice,  
We simply have no water,  
I don't know what to do.

I have been trying,  
I've gone to the rocks,  
I've been to the river,  
But all the places are now dried up.  
We all live in Thirst here,  
And there is not a thing I can do.

Annabel

## Kestrel Class Christmas Games Thursday 20 December



Thank you to everyone who supported Kestrels' Christmas games yesterday you helped us raise a fantastic £72.40. The children had great fun devising, inventing and creating their own games, and Kingfishers, Woodpeckers and Nightingales enjoyed playing them. Special

thanks to Mrs Dowding and the cleaners, who have not once complained about the state of the classroom during the making process!



## 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.

Many thanks

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## HEADLICE

If you are concerned at any time that your child may have head lice, advice on what to look for and how to treat them can be found at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

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## Church Seives 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 coffee/tea and hot mince pies

### Churches of North Bradford on Avon & Villages

#### 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)

# Churchfields' Weekly Newsletter

Friday 21 December 2018

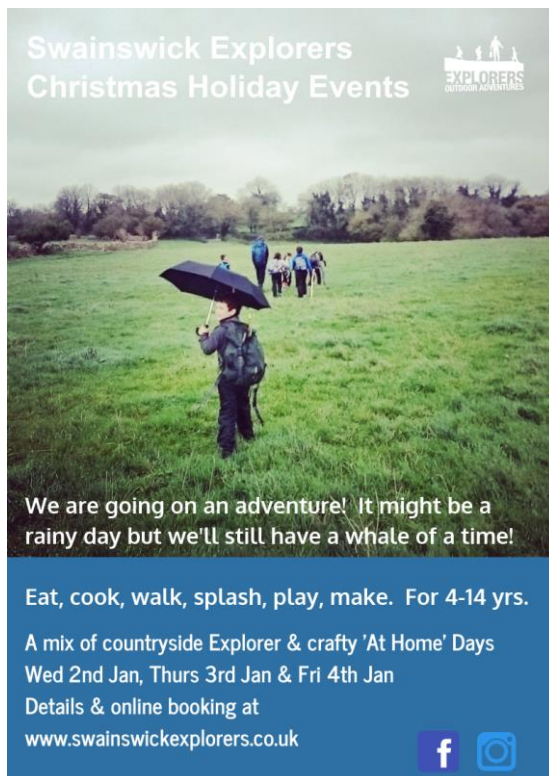
## Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas Day

Holy Communion Services

- 8 a.m. Book of Common Prayer St  
Nicholas Church, Winsley 0 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



A poster for a workshop titled "LIGHT UP E-TEXTILES". The top half features two colorful, flower-shaped light-up textiles: one in shades of purple and pink, and another in yellow, pink, and blue. The text "LIGHT UP" is written in a pink, dotted font above the flowers. To the right, the dates "Sat 5th Jan" and "Sat 2nd Feb" are listed, each preceded by a small star icon. The bottom half of the poster has a dark red background with the text "THE NEW YEAR E-TEXTILES" in a gold, dotted font, and "10+ TO ADULT" in a white, dotted font below it.



A poster for "Swainswick Explorers Christmas Holiday Events". The top left features the text "Swainswick Explorers Christmas Holiday Events" in white. To the right is a logo for "EXPLORERS OUTDOOR ADVENTURES" with a small illustration of people on a boat. The main image shows a group of people walking across a large green field under a grey, overcast sky. One person in the foreground is holding a black umbrella. Below the image, the text reads: "We are going on an adventure! It might be a rainy day but we'll still have a whale of a time!" At the bottom, a blue banner contains the text: "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" and icons for Facebook and Instagram.

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The Village School  
Atworth & Monkton Farleigh



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We need people that can provide a place of safety for children and young people in an emergency situation until appropriate accommodation can be found or the child can return to their family. Carers are paid a retainer for holding an emergency bed and a generous allowance for looking after a child. Ongoing support and training is also provided.

**A family crisis can happen at any time.**

Find out more about becoming an emergency foster carer. Visit [www.wiltshire.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk), email [fostering@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:fostering@wiltshire.gov.uk) or call 0800 169 6321

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## 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 3 & 4

Term 3	
<b>Monday 07 January</b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>
Tuesday 08 January	Term 3 Begins
Wednesday 09 January	Swimming Years 3 & 4
Tuesday 15 January	WOW day
Wednesday 16 January	Swimming Years 3 & 4
Wednesday 23 January	Swimming Years 3 & 4
Wednesday 30 January	Swimming Years 3 & 4
Wednesday 06 February	Swimming Years 3 & 4
Wednesday 13 February	Swimming Years 3 & 4
Thursday 14 February	Dance Festival
Friday 15 February	End of Term 3
Term 4	
Monday 25 February	Term 4 Begins
Thursday 07 March	World Book Day
Monday 11 March – Friday 15 March	STEM Week (Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths)
Tuesday 12 March	Parents' evening until 6pm
Friday 15 March	Red Nose Day (Comic Relief)
Wednesday 27 March	WOW Day

Term 4 cont'd	
Thursday 28 March	Parents' evening until 7:30pm
Tuesday 02 April	Open the Book on Amphitheatre (Monkton Farleigh) AM
Tuesday 02 April	Easter Service Atworth Church 1:15pm
Wednesday 03 April	Easter Concert Atworth Hall 3:30-5pm
<b>Friday 05 April</b>	<b>INSET DAY</b>
Friday 05 April	End of Term 4

Future INSET days for Academic Year 2018/2019:

Monday 3rd June  
Thursday 25th July