

Dear Parents/Carer

The Big Ambition survey

'The Big Ambition' survey by the [Children's Commissioner Office](#) is designed to hear directly from children and young people about what they need from the government to make their lives better.

Wiltshire children have been filling in the [survey](#) and currently Wiltshire ranks 28th of all local authorities in England, based on the number of children that have filled in [The Big Ambition](#) so far.

Please encourage your children to complete the [survey](#) at home. Further resources can be found on The Big Ambition [webpage](#).

GEM LEARNER PLEASE NOTE

MONKTON FARLEIGH
ON FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER THERE WILL BE NO GEM LEARNER AT MONKTON FARLEIGH BASE

ATWORTH
THERE IS NO GEM LEARNER ON FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER

Reception & KS1 (Yrs. 1 & 2)

You are warmly invited to our performance of

CHILDREN OF THE WORLD



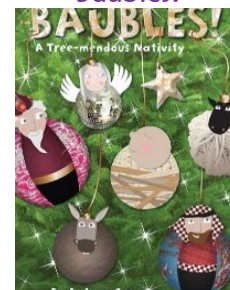
On Thursday 07 December

St Michael's Church Hall, Atworth
Dress Rehearsal: 1:30pm
Performances at: 4:00pm & 6:00pm.

KS2 (Yrs. 3, 4, 5 & 6)

You are warmly invited to our production of

Baubles!



On Tuesday 05 December

ST Michael's Church Atworth
Dress Rehearsal: 1:30pm
Performances at: 4:00pm & 6:00pm.

Full details and tickets have been sent out in book bags today

Mathletics

More gold excitement on the mathletics front this week - we have double our number of golds in just one week! Well done Rufus and the entire Johnson family - William, Emily and Henry.

A few facts and figures from the year to date :
Nightingales remain the only class to pass 100 certificates, but the highest mean is held by Robins who have earned 6 certificates each. Nearly 300 bronze certificates have been earned this year so far.

Well done mathletes!

Bronze : Daisy, Evelyn, Florence, Ezra, Kaya, Vinnie, Iris, Tomas, Finlay, Hector, Coralie, Bodhi C, Maggie,
Bodhi BSilver : Sam D, Isabella S, Oliver H, Josiah, Quita, George R, Joseph, Oliver CJ, Bodhi PH, Ted L,

Isabella R, Benjamin, Oscar BH, Sam F, Esme, Jasper Gold : William, Alexis G, Rufus, Maddox, Alexis M, Henry J, Emily J, Harry L

CHRISTMAS LUNCH & ACTIVITIES Friday 15 December



Children from Monkton Farleigh will transfer to Atworth by coach in the morning at 9:45am and will be back at Monkton Farleigh for pick up at the end of the day. We have lots of Christmas activities

planned:

- ★ Children can dress in party clothes, Christmas jumpers or something festive!
- ★ Please supply a named cracker for your child/children

FRIENDS OF CHURCHFIELDS EVENTS

- 7th Nov** **MOVIE NIGHT**
ATWORTH SCHOOL 5:00 - 7:00 PM
- 10th Nov** **NON UNIFORM DAY**
PLEASE BRING PRIZES FOR THE TOMBOLA
- 22nd Nov** **CLOTHING COLLECTION**
PLEASE DROP BAGS OF CLOTHING AT SCHOOL
21ST NOV
- 25th Nov** **CHRISTMAS FAYRE**
ATWORTH SCHOOL 12:00 - 4:00 PM
- 1st & 2nd Dec** **FESTIVE WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP**
ATWORTH SCHOOL 7:00 - 9:00 PM
- 19th Dec** **CHRISTMAS DISCO**
ATWORTH SCHOOL 5:30 - 7:00 PM

SAVE THE DATE
AT MONKTON FARLEIGH
3-5PM * * * * *
8th DEC * * * * *

Film & Fun

We will entertain the children whilst you can Christmas shop.

Mince pies and mulled wine or hot chocolate afterwards, so please stay 5-6pm.

Monkton Farleigh Film & Fun Open to all.

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Term dates for 2023/2024

Term 2: Monday 30 October – Wed 20 December <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 30 October - INSET DAY (school closed) 	Term 5: Monday 15 April – Friday 24 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 06 May Bank holiday (school closed)
Term 3: Thursday 04 January – Friday 09 February	Term 6: Monday 03 June – Wednesday 24 July <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday 24 July - INSET DAY (school closed)

Term 2

Term 2	
Wednesday 29 November	Year 4 Swimming
Friday 30 November	WOW Day KS1
Friday 30 November	KS2 Christmas production rehearsal
Friday 01 & Saturday 02 Festive Wreath making	FOCS event pre-booking required Workshops at Atworth 7pm – 9pm
Tuesday 05 December	KS2 Production 1:30 dress rehearsal; 4pm & 6pm @church Hall
Thursday 07 December	Fdn/KS1 Production 1:30 dress rehearsal; 4pm & 6pm @church Hall
Friday 08 December	Monkton Farleigh Film & Fun 3pm – 5pm and parents/Carers welcome 5pm -6pm
Friday 15 December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 15 December	No GEM Learner Atiworth or Monkton Farleigh
Tuesday 19 December	Carol Service Atworth Church 1:15pm
Tuesday 19 December	School Christmas Disco Atworth Base 5:30pm to 7pm
Wednesday 20 December	End of Term 2

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At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it's needed. This guide focuses on one of many topics which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nos.org.uk for further guides, facts and tips for adults.

Top Tips for Safer Online Shopping on BLACK FRIDAY AND CYBER MONDAY

Black Friday and Cyber Monday have become established as two of the year's biggest shopping events, giving consumers the opportunity to snap up a stash of stunning bargains. While this is generally good news, of course, the resultant retail frenzy can lead to people dropping their guard – especially online. In previous years, a seasonal surge in cyber-crime has seen schemes such as phishing emails and credit card scams being unleashed on unwary buyers. Our guide has some essential pointers on keeping your details – and your money – safe while you shop.

ENSURE A SITE'S SECURE

Before inputting sensitive information (like your card details) into a website, check that the site's secure. The key thing is to look for a padlock symbol in the address bar and check that the URL begins with "https://". The "s" indicates that the web address has been encrypted with an SSL certificate. Without that, any data entered on the site could be intercepted by criminal third parties.

TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS

If a deal seems too good to be true, then it probably is, be especially wary if a site offering unbelievable discounts doesn't look professional (for example, if it's covered with pop-up adverts or it looks particularly outshined) – this often serves as a red flag that the seller might not be entirely trustworthy. Minimise risk by sticking with well-known, reputable retailers instead.

REVIEW BANK STATEMENTS

Even if you've followed all our tips, it's probably worth checking your next bank statement for any unusual transactions. Criminals know that on Black Friday and Cyber Monday, lots of people make numerous purchases online; they're hoping that any stolen money will get lost in the crowd of other transactions. If you see a payment or payee you can't identify, raise it with your bank straight away.

BEWARE OF SUSPICIOUS EMAILS

Black Friday and Cyber Monday often bring a significant spike in phishing emails, as criminals use the events' sense of urgency as cover for stealing personal information. Even if they look legitimate, be wary of emails requesting you to do something unusual or suspicious; providing your personal details in exchange for access to last-minute deals, for example, or clicking on a link to an unfamiliar site.

CHECK IT'S THE REAL DEAL

It's not just cybercriminals you need to be wary of. Research has shown that some online retailers increase the price of certain items in the weeks before Black Friday and Cyber Monday – enabling them to then advertise "discounts" (which, in reality, have simply restored the cost to normal levels). Use an online price comparison tool to verify whether these "reductions" truly equate to a saving.

MINIMISE MICROTRANSACTIONS

Black Friday and Cyber Monday promotions extend to digital items as well as physical ones. Some gaming companies will offer discounts on in-app and in-game microtransactions such as loot boxes. If you're concerned about how much your child might spend on these upgrades, you can restrict their ability to make purchases (via their device's settings) or remove any linked payment methods.

SET STURDY PASSWORDS

A strong, unique password is one of the most straightforward ways to protect yourself from cyber-crime. As most of us have multiple online shopping accounts, it can be tempting to use the same password for them all – but this puts your personal data at greater risk. You could try using a password manager to create a different, robust password for each online retailer that you visit.

DITCH THE DEBIT CARD

Where possible, it's safest to shop online with a credit card (as opposed to a debit card) because it offers additional protection. If a purchase is made fraudulently on your credit card, there's a fair chance of your bank reimbursing you. Should criminals obtain your debit card details, however, they could empty your account in moments – and it can be difficult to recover your money.

RESIST THE INFLUENCE

Recommendations from social media influencers are another thing to remain vigilant for on Black Friday and Cyber Monday. While many of these will be legitimate, remember that influencers are often paid to promote products – and to publicise deals that aren't quite as exciting as they might seem. Don't feel pressured into buying purely on their advice; look at everything with a critical eye.

TAKE CARE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media scammers are more active on Black Friday and Cyber Monday, as they know people are hunting for deals online. These scammers tend to concentrate on platforms such as Facebook and Instagram, posting malicious links that can compromise shoppers' personal details. Other scammers, meanwhile, subtly advertise products in an attempt to trick users out of their hard-earned cash.

Meet Our Expert

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FUEL
The free holiday activity and food programme

FREE
holiday activities

Meal provided each day

CHRISTMAS 2023

Booking is essential. Apply by 8th December

 [Click here for more information and booking](#)

Department for Education



Wiltshire Council

The poster features a teal background with white snowflakes. It includes three circular callouts: a red one for 'FREE holiday activities', a blue one for 'Meal provided each day', and a white one for 'CHRISTMAS 2023'. Below the main text is a row of three photos: children playing netball, children with a LEGO robot, and children making Christmas decorations. At the bottom, there is a red banner with a white mouse cursor icon and a link to 'Click here for more information and booking'. Logos for the Department for Education, FUEL, and Wiltshire Council are also present.