

Red Oaks Primary School
19th December 2025
Newsletter



Message from Mrs Painter

As we come to the end of a busy and joyful term, we want to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support. Your encouragement and involvement make such a difference, and we are truly grateful. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and we look forward to an even better 2026 together!

The last two weeks have been full of festive highlights:

KS1 Nativity Performance

Our KS1 children put on a fantastic Nativity that filled everyone with festive cheer. Their singing was wonderful, and we were so impressed by how many words they learned and remembered!

Brunel Brass Assembly Visit

On Monday, we were treated to an inspiring performance by Brunel Brass. If you'd like more information, please visit their website at <https://brunelbrass.co.uk> or follow them on Instagram @brunelbrass. We encourage you to get in touch—even if it's just to go along, listen, and see how it all works!

Year 2 Festive Trip to Roves Farm

Year 2 enjoyed a magical visit to Roves Farm, meeting Father Christmas and watching a fun-filled show with the elves.

Rock Steady Performances

Thursday morning saw the whole school and parents enjoying the ever-popular Rock Steady performances. It's always a highlight and a wonderful way to celebrate the musical talents of our pupils.

Songs Around the Christmas Tree

We ended the term with this special tradition, where each year group sang a Christmas song, and the whole school joined together for two favourites: All Around the World and Snow is Fallin'. It was the perfect way to set us up for a wonderful Christmas.

Finally, we would like to say a heartfelt thank you to Mrs Prophet for all her hard work and dedication. She will be greatly missed by staff and pupils alike, and we wish her every success in the future.

Thank you once again for your continued support. Have a fantastic Christmas break, and we look forward to welcoming you back in January for an exciting new year!

Maths Workshop

On 23rd January 2026, we are running a Maths Workshop. There will be a presentation in the hall at 8.45am and then you will be able to join your child to their maths lesson in class. Please sign up on Arbor for this workshop.

At Red Oaks Primary School, being on time really matters!

Our doors open at 8:30am and lessons kick off at 8:40am sharp. Arriving after this time means a late mark, which not only affects attendance but also means missing out on those important first minutes of learning. To put it into perspective, if a child is late three times in a week, that's around half an hour of teaching time lost — the same as missing a whole story time or the warm-up in PE! Those minutes add

up quickly, and they can make a big difference to confidence and progress. By getting to school on time each day, children start calmly, feel ready to learn, and don't miss out on any of the fun and learning that happens right from the start.

Dates for the diary

5th January 2026 – School re-opens at 8.30am

- **PGL Parent Information Meeting – Year 5**
Monday 19th January at 3:05 pm in Mr Newton's classroom
- **Multiplication Tables Check Parent Information Meeting – Year 4**
Thursday 12th February at 2:30 pm in the hall



ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT ST ANDREW'S

 CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT 21ST DECEMBER, 6PM	 CHILDREN'S CAROL SERVICE CHRISTMAS EVE, 10AM
 MIDNIGHT COMMUNION CHRISTMAS EVE, 11.30PM	 CHRISTMAS DAY COMMUNION 10AM

Tadpole Lane (between Lyall Close and Blunsdon Abbey Caravan Park), SN25 2DW
www.nschurch.org.uk

ZOO DAY ★

Thursday 15th January

Mains
Hippo Hot Dogs
Pork or Quorn Sausage

Sides
Elephant Trunk Fries
Parrots Rainbow Veggies

Desserts
Zebra Cake or Orangutan Orange Pot

Jacket Potato option also available

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