



Crowmarsh Gifford C of E Primary School & Pre School

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Family Newsletter – December 2023

Wallingford Food Bank

Please do pass on our thanks for the very generous gifts received yesterday.

We have fed nearly 60% more people this year so your support is very welcome. It is reassuring to know that the community at Crowmarsh school is able to help, as we appreciate that the cost-of-living crisis affects everyone.

Children in Need

We raised £230 Children in Need, thank you to everyone who donated

Roofing Work

You will have noticed that we have been having some roofing work done to address the leaks that we get with heavy rain. Thank you to MKM for the supply of the builders' bags in which we collected the moss and to the Brettell family for taking away all the moss for us

Primary School Photography Competition

Run by the Head of Expressive Arts at Wallingford School. Congratulations to JJ Geir who came 2nd with an outstanding photograph and wins himself an Amazon voucher!

If you think you may need a food parcel to add to your store cupboard for over the Christmas school holidays please get in touch before the end of term.

The last day for sending out food parcels is midday on Friday 22 December.

They reopen on Thursday 4th January.
They send out food on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays 10 – 12.

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Upcoming Events

Friday 8th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Wear a Christmas Jumper & donate via Just Giving

<https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/CJD230002603>

Christmas Fete (Times TBC 3pm – 6pm)

Tuesday 12th December

Christmas Dinner in School. Order by end of Friday 8th December.



All Christmas Shows will have a ticket list on the door and no physical tickets are going to be issued.

Wednesday 13th December KS1 Nativity @ 2pm

Thursday 14th December KS1 Nativity @ 6pm

Monday 18th December EYFS & Year 6 Nativity @ 9:30am



Rock Steady Concert @ 2:30pm

For parents of children who attend Rock Steady

Tuesday 19th December EYFS & Year 6 Nativity @ 9:30am

Year 3 - 5 Christmas Concert @ 6:30pm (outside)

No tickets required

Wednesday 20th December School Closes for Christmas at 'normal' time

Monday 8th January 2024 School reopens for children & staff



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Term Dates 2023-2024

Thursday 21 st December 21 December - 5 January 2024	School closes for Christmas (normal time) Christmas holiday
8 January - 9 February 2024 12 February - 16 February 2024 19 February - 28 March 2024 29 March - 12 April 2024	Spring Term Spring half-term Spring Term Easter Holiday
15 April - 24 May 2024 15th April 2024 27 May - 31 May 2024 3 June - 24 July 2024 3rd June 2024	Summer Term Inset, school closed to children Late Spring half-term Summer Term Inset, school closed to children

Term Dates 2024-2025

4 September - 25 October 2024 2 & 3 September 2024 28 October – 1 st November 2024 4 November - 20 December 2024 23 December - 7 January 2025	Autumn Term Inset, school closed to children October half-term Autumn Term Christmas holiday
6 January 2025 7 January - 14 February 2025 17 February - 21 February 2025 24 February - 4 April 2025 7 April - 23 April 2025	Inset, school closed to children Spring Term Spring half-term Spring Term Easter Holiday
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Community News

POETRY AND MUSIC SHOW!

WITH JAMES CARTER

FREE EVENT!

**10AM ON
THURSDAY 21ST
DECEMBER**



PLEASE BOOK
T. 01491 837395
MESSAGE ON FACEBOOK
E. WALLINGFOR.LIBRARY@OXFORDSHIRE.GOV.UK

Write a letter to Santa!



Write a letter to Santa at Wallingford Library, to be in for a chance to win a Christmas Sticker book!

The winner will be announced at our Christmas Event with local Poet James Carter on the 21st December from 10am

Closing Date, 20th December



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Winter Dash

Primary School Cross Country Race

Saturday, 20th January 2024

at The Oratory Prep School

Goring Heath, near Cray's Pond, Reading

RG8 7SF (for satnav use RG8 7QA)

Please note that entry to the school is from the B471 Cray's Pond - Whitchurch road. There is no entry form the B4526 Goring - Cray's Pond road.

Bring as many runners as you wish

No pre-entry and no team event

Year 1	10.00	Year 4	10.45
Year 2	10.15	Year 5	11.00
Year 3	10.30	Year 6	11.15

Medals will be awarded at the end of each race. Certificates available for all runners.

K. Nutt

*Primary School Sports Coordinator
MECE/Gillotts Partnership*




Christ Church Cathedral School

Would your son like to join our world-famous choir?



Saturday 13th January 2024, 2.30 - 7.00 pm

Boys, currently aged between 7 to 10, are invited to come and see what it's like to sing with our current Cathedral Choristers for an afternoon. No prior choral experience is needed.

Potential choristers can join a choir rehearsal led by CCCS' Director of Music, followed by refreshments, and then sing with our internationally acclaimed choristers at Evensong. The afternoon provides a great opportunity for boys to have first-hand experience of what it's like to be a chorister at Christ Church Cathedral School.

Being a Cathedral Chorister is a life-changing opportunity. Boys learn: self-discipline, social skills, a sense of responsibility and teamwork, as well as outstanding musical and vocal skills.

All Cathedral Choristers receive a bursary equivalent to two-thirds of fees to support their education at CCCS and means-tested fee remission may be available up to 100%. In the last 5 years, all of our Cathedral Choristers have won music awards to leading senior schools.

To participate, please complete our online registration form:
www.cccs.org.uk/visitus or for more information, please contact our Registrar, Laura Kemp, email: registrar@cccs.org.uk

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Christmas activities at Wallingford Library

We will have a different craft activity each week in December which children can come in at any time to do. We are also running a 'Write a letter to Santa' promotion; children fill in a template letter and will be entered into a prize draw on the 21st of December. The lucky winner will receive some Christmas sticker and activity books.



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APPLE

*South Oxfordshire's
Premier Barbershop*

**Pledge to donate
£1 for every child's
haircut to the PTA**



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Stagecoach Abingdon, Didcot and Wallingford

2-Day Panto

Non-Stagecoach students welcome! 8:30-5pm cover available for an additional £15 (£10 per day)

21-22 Dec 2023

Age: 5 - 18
Time: Thu - Fri 10:00 - 16:00 **Performance:** Fri 16:00
Cost: £80 (Sibling £65)
Venue: Thameside Primary School, OX14 5NL

stagecoach.co.uk/abingdon 01235 390 810

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