



Friday 14<sup>th</sup>  
November  
2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wet week it has been! The weather, however, hasn't left us downhearted at the school and we have had a lovely couple of weeks since returning after the half term break. As I said in my last newsletter, this is one of my favourite half terms of the year, with the build up to Christmas being a really exciting one. We have lots to look forward to in the coming weeks, including our Christmas dinner, performances, fayre, and lots more.

### **Children in Need**

Today is Children in Need Day and it has been fun to have our first mufti day of the year. The collection bucket was bulging; thank you for your kind donations! We will let you know how much we raised in our next newsletter on 28<sup>th</sup> November.

### **FOTS**

Thank you to everyone who supported the school disco. We had a great evening and it was a lovely way to begin the half term break. We made over £250 profit from the disco and over £30 from the seasonal costume sale. All of this money will go towards supporting the educational experiences of the children throughout the year. Thank you for supporting these events and helping us fundraise for the school.

The next FOTS events to support will be our stall at the Twyford Christmas Market on 5<sup>th</sup> December and then the Christmas Fayre, which will take place after school between 3.30 and 5.30pm on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

The next FOTS meeting will take place in school, on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm. All are warmly invited to attend. Our committee is a small one but their work makes an enormous difference for everyone in the school.

### **Christmas Performances**

You will no doubt be hearing your children singing Christmas songs and learning lines at home over the next few weeks – a sure sign that Christmas preparations are underway at school. Here's just a quick reminder of our performance dates:

**Nursery and Reception** will be having a singalong afternoon on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm**

**Years 1 and 2** will be performing their nativity play on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm** and **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm**.

**Key Stage 2** will be holding their annual carol concert on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm**.

### **Playtime Snacks**

Please remember that playtime snacks should be healthy – ideally a piece of fruit. If children are bringing in grapes, please consider cutting these up first, due to them being a potential choking hazard.

## Admission to Reception in September 2026

Please be aware even if your child attends nursery or has older siblings already attending our school you still need to make an application for your child to attend Reception. All parents wanting a school place for their child in September 2026 must make an application **by 15 January 2026**.

Parents can apply online at [School Admissions Buckinghamshire Council](#) from **5th November 2025**.

## November Online Safety Newsletter

Please take the time to read November's online newsletter. This month edition raises awareness about CapCut a video editing app, includes useful reminders about app age ratings, how parents should use WhatsApp safely, and protect your child from online roasting.

## Parking Near School

Please can I make another plea about parking near the school in the mornings and at the end of the school day. Our school bus has struggled to make it down Main Street and into Church Street on several occasions due to cars parked on either side of the road.

## When to Keep Your child Off School

Please see attached helpful advice and guidance given by the UK Health Security Agency.

## Inset Dates 2026

There seems to have been a little bit of confusion about the inset dates for 2026 so for clarity the dates are as follows:

5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

13<sup>th</sup> March 2026

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026

I wish you all a lovely weekend.

With my very best wishes, and thanks for your continued support,

Sam Thompson

Headteacher

**We Learn Together; Grow Together; Achieve Together** knowing that Jesus said:

*"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit."*

John 15:5



## TERM DATES 2025/2026

Autumn 1 Term 2025	4 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025
Autumn 2 Term 2025	3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Spring 1 Term 2026	6 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Spring 2 Term 2026	23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
Summer 1 Term 2026	13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026
Summer 2 Term 2026	1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	21 <sup>st</sup> July 2026

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY		
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025</b>		Year 1 & 2 Nativity 2pm
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025</b>		Year 1 & 2 Nativity 6pm
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025</b>	<b>NEW</b>	Christmas Fayre 3.30-5.30pm
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025</b>		School Christmas Dinner
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2025</b>		KS2 Carol Concert 7pm
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2025</b>		Reception & Nursery Christmas singalong 2pm
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025</b>		School breaks up for Christmas holiday
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026</b>		INSET Day – no children in school
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026</b>		School re-opens after Christmas break
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026</b>	<b>NEW</b>	Reception September 2026 Bucks Council Application Closes
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026</b>		School breaks up for half term
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026</b>		School re-opens after half term
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>		INSET Day – no children in school
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>		School breaks up for Easter holiday
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026</b>		School re-opens after Easter break
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>		SATs week for Year 6
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026</b>		School breaks up for half term
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026</b>		School re-opens after half term
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026</b>		School breaks up for summer
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026</b>		INSET Day– no children in school



Friday  
12<sup>th</sup> December



# CHRISTMAS LUNCH

## FABULOUS FESTIVE FEAST

Roast chicken, pig in blanket, roast potatoes, peas, carrots, brussels sprouts, stuffing balls and optional gravy



## WINTER WONDERLAND WELLINGTON

Butternut squash in a puff pastry parcel, roast potatoes, peas, carrots, brussels sprouts, stuffing balls and optional gravy (V)



## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION COOKIE

Chocolate sprinkle cookie (VG)

Orders must be placed **before 9am Thursday 4th December** via your Meal Manager account. If you need any help or do not have a log-in please contact [support@freshstartcatering.uk](mailto:support@freshstartcatering.uk) before **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November**





## Starting school for the first time

Was your child born between  
1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022?

If yes, Buckinghamshire parents can apply online for a school  
place from 5 November 2025 visit



You must apply even if your child is at the nursery  
attached to the school you would like them to go to.

The application deadline is 15 January 2026, please do not miss it

Please contact the school nursing service using the link below to find  
out what health checks and vaccinations are available for your child.

[buckshealthcare.nhs.uk/cyp/school-years-development/school-nursing](https://buckshealthcare.nhs.uk/cyp/school-years-development/school-nursing)



Application  
deadline is  
midnight on  
15 January  
2026

## TEACH IN BUCKS RECRUITMENT FAIR

Interested in becoming a teacher?  
We want to meet you!

Saturday 15 November 2025, 10am – 2pm

Buckinghamshire New University | Aylesbury Campus

### Event Programme

Featuring presentations from a number of organisations including the Department for Education and several of the county's school and university based Initial Teacher Training providers:

- 10.00am Doors open – meet local providers
- 11.00am Get into Teaching Introductory Presentation – Why, How and What
  - Presentation by a representative from the Department for Education
- 11.30am How to Apply – Applications, Qualifications, and Compliance
  - Presentations by Astra SCITT\*, The Buckingham SCITT & Insignis Academy Trust SCITT
- 12.00pm Meet local providers
- 1.00pm Training Programmes:
  1. Early Years and Primary Teacher Training Programme
    - Presentations by Buckinghamshire New University & The Buckingham Partnership SCITT
  2. Secondary Teacher Training Programme
    - Presentations by Astra SCITT and Insignis Academy Trust SCITT
  3. Further Education Training Programme
    - Presentation by the Buckinghamshire College Group
- 1.30pm Routes into Teaching:
  1. The Apprenticeship Route into Teaching
    - Presentation by Astra SCITT and Insignis Academy Trust SCITT
  2. The Assessment Only Route into Qualified Teaching
    - Presentation by The Buckingham Partnership SCITT
  3. University Routes into Teaching
    - Presentation by Buckinghamshire New University
- 2.00pm Close

Register for a  
FREE ticket:  
[Eventbrite](#)



If you have any queries about the event, please  
email [teachinbucks@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:teachinbucks@buckinghamshire.gov.uk)

Programme is subject to change  
\*SCITT: School Centred Initial Teacher Training



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A collaborative event between partner organisations



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## Specialist 121 & Net Coaching

15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> December & 2<sup>nd</sup> January.

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