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# Newsletter



## MESSAGE FROM MRS MILES

Dear Parents

As this will be the last newsletter before we break for Christmas, I would like to thank you for your support this term. It has been a successful term in which we have achieved a great deal.

A huge congratulations to EYFS and Nursery for their fantastic performances. Singing, dancing, narration - it was all spectacular. You worked extremely hard to produce a fantastic play. I'm sure everyone who came to watch thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you so much to Mrs Mitchell-Hooper, Mrs Cox and all of the staff in Early Years, it was a fantastic team effort.

I would also like to thank FOTS for a fantastic Christmas Fair. It was a superb event for our school community and they raised over £2600, thank you to you all for the donations and all of your help with what we hope to see as an annual event.

Our hall was turned into a top music venue last week with our 'Rock Steady,' concert, it was great for all of the school to be the audience for so much talent.

I would like to thank all of our staff for supporting the school Discos and to Mr Skipper for being our resident DJ, it was a lovely event for all the children in the school to take part in.

Thank you to all parents this term and to all the staff for not only being dedicated class teachers but everything that is above and beyond.


Hope you have a wonderful Christmas and New Year with family and friends.  
See you in 2025!

Best wishes,  
Mrs Miles

## Class Dojo Champions

6th December

Class	Class Dojo Champion 13.12.24	Class Dojo Champion 19.12.24	End of Term Hero
Nursery	Meadow Sapphire	Vasileios Blakely	Kobie Theo Mason
RA	Lilly-Louise Alyssa	Moana Harper	Lilly-Louise
RB	Oliver Finley	Ariyan Felix	Colton
1/2A	Louis Hridaan	Grace Mia	Nathan
1/2B	Ivy Lyla Isaac-James	Chester Kisha	Harper
1/2C	Anaiah Inuja	Adam Emily	Makenzie
3/4A	Sam Henry	Lula Lucas	Abhijit
3/4B	Sean Jacob L	Kayden M Josh	Brooke
3/4C	Caesar Elliot	Patric Rosie	Kayler
5A	Nathanael Ava	Destiny Jacob	Percy
5B	Ollie Emily	Lucy Ivan	Hawa
6A	Blake L Bethan	Brodey Nishen	Lachlan
6B	Olivia B Maysa	Belle Dolly	Clara

				
W/E 19.12.24				
Biggest improvement in accuracy over the past 3 weeks				
Years 1 & 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
1. Natalia 2. Maddison 3. Sahasra	1. Elliot 2. Alfie 3. Elijah	1. Dominic 2. Jacob 3. Ed	1. Samuel 2. Tymofii 3. Percy	1. Jayden 2. Brodey 3. Summer
<b>Whole school top 3:</b> 1. Natalia 2. Maddison 3. Elliot	<b>Biggest improvements over the term:</b> 1. Alfie W 2. Abhijit 3. Natalia		<b>New Rock Heroes:</b> Muhammad Mark Patric	

# Christmas Bingo

## Reading Challenge

READ WITH YOUR SCARF AND GLOVES ON	READ A BOOK WITH PICTURES	READ WHILE WEARING A HAT	READ UNDER THE COVERS	READ ON A FRIDAY
READ WHILE EATING BREAKFAST	READ A NON-FICTION BOOK	READ A BOOK BASED ON A TRUE STORY	READ UNDER THE CHRISTMAS TREE	READ IN A CAR
READ POETRY	READ FOR 20 MINUTES STRAIGHT	FREE SPACE	READ A LIBRARY BOOK	READ A BOOK BY A NEW AUTHOR
READ AN ILLUSTRATED BOOK OR GRAPHIC NOVEL	READ IN YOUR BED	READ IN YOUR PYJAMAS	READ A BOOK YOU WERE GIVEN FOR CHRISTMAS	READ WHEN YOU WAKE UP
READ A BOOK YOUR FRIEND LOVES	READ TO SOMEONE ELSE	READ A BOOK WITH A GREAT FIRST LINE	READ ON A WEDNESDAY	READ YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK



Our wonderful school choir has been out and about carol singing in Cirencester.

We sang for residents at Elm Grove and Paternoster care homes as well as the shoppers in Tesco Extra (raising almost £70) and at our very own school Christmas fair.

We also took part in a formal evening concert organised by Kingshill school at the glorious venue of Cirencester Parish church.



Mrs Prices' talented woodwind and pianist students treated us to a range of winter tunes.



Rocksteady groups entertained the school under the guidance of their bandleader Jacques.

[www.rocksteady.com](http://www.rocksteady.com)



Pupils performed to a full audience in our annual KS2 Carol concert. We had a theme of 'Christmas across the world' and each year group sang a song from a different country.



# Cirencester Primary School FOTS Christmas Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who attended and supported the recent Christmas Fair – we were so pleased to see so many people there and have already noted some logistical alterations we can make for next year to make it less congested. A very special thank you to our FOTS Chair, Clare, and her team for all of the hard work which went into planning and running this event for our school community – we are very grateful to you all! Also, thank you to all of the staff who helped out on stalls and to the children for the wonderful items which they made to be sold.

Total raised was an incredible £2600!  
Some of these funds have already been spent on new soft play equipment for our nursery and the rest is going towards a new sensory garden in school – we will share more information on this shortly.

Next FOTS  
meeting:  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
January at 9am –  
everyone is  
welcome!

A huge thank you to the following people/companies for running stalls at the fair and/or donating prizes to the raffle. What a wonderful community we are part of!

Cotswold Wildlife Park

Little Centurions

Corn Hall Market

Coffee @ Odd Socks

Michael Hart & Sons Butchers

Bricks, Pins & Patches

Reds Hair & Beauty

Friar Tuck

Slimbridge

Nero

Giffords Circus

Birdland

Dobbies

Nicola Roberts Massage Therapist

Bellamy's Emporium

Isabelle's Bows

Sugar & Spice

Corn Hall Deli

Reindeer Herd

Barn Theatre

Cotswold Airport

Fairytale Farm

Mighty Oaks

Gloucestershire & Warwickshire Steam Railway

Pick a Pot and Paint Cirencester

He Says She Waffles

Knead

Roots and Seeds

Decimal

Jessie Smith

The organic farm shop

Edie Barnard Crafts

All things Hamper

Barton senior citizens club



## Parking

We have received complaints from the school's neighbours regarding inconsiderate and often illegal parking by parents accessing the school in the mornings and the afternoons, including parking on the zig-zag lines outside school. Please walk to school wherever possible as not only is this a healthy way to get some exercise, but it supports the local community with congestion. In addition, it is better for the environment.

Thank you in advance.

### **Dates 2024-25**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April

First day of Spring term.

Finish 1.15pm

INSET

Information on clubs will be given in the first week of the Spring term.

## General Information and Updates

**Bikes and Scooters** – Please can you remind your child these should not be ridden on the school site.

**Naming school uniform** - We have lots of uniform without names on, we cannot return items if we do not know whose it is. Please can you name (even if it is with a biro), your child's name or initials.

**Sickness** – Please can we remind parents that a child that has had sickness or diarrhoea should not return to school or nursery until 48 hours after the last incident.

**Headlice** – Please check your child/ren's hair regularly for headlice and treat immediately if necessary. Supermarket own brand conditioner and a headlice comb should remove the lice.

**Parent Pay** - A kind reminder to all families that we are a zero-debt policy school, please ensure that your school dinner balances are topped up.

The Catholic Community  
are hosting a

# COMMUNITY KITCHEN

FREE DINNER~ ALL ARE WELCOME!



**Christmas Dinner**  
**15th December**  
**Sunday, 4:30-6PM**



LOCATED AT ST PETER'S PARISH HALL  
7 ST PETER'S ROAD, CIRENCESTER GL7 1RE

UPCOMING DINNERS: VISIT 'COMMUNITY KITCHEN IN CIRENCESTER' FB PAGE




# Recycle your Tree!

In partnership with



We will be collecting and recycling trees  
11th - 14th January 2025




To book scan here  
or visit

[www.just-helping.org.uk/register-tree](http://www.just-helping.org.uk/register-tree)


Registration closes  
7th January 2025

After costs, 90% of monies raised will go to Longfield Community Hospice. The remaining 10% will be distributed to charities in the local community.

Longfield Community Hospice,  
Bunleigh Lane, Mawchothampton, Gloucestershire, GL5 2PQ  
info@longfield.org.uk www.longfield.org.uk  
Registered Charity No. 206807 Company No. 32213602

## You and Me, Mum



A 10 week course which provides a safe space to help you explore the impact that domestic violence may have had on you and your children.

You and Me, Mum is delivered in a safe, non-judgemental environment and aims to:


1. Help you understand how domestic violence can affect you as a mother
2. Help you understand the effects of domestic violence on children and young people
3. Assist you to develop effective communication with your children
4. Promote healthy and non-violent relationships
5. Explore key Protective Behaviour for keeping mothers and children safe

**When:** Starting on **24th January 2025**  
10 am to 12pm  
(No session during half term)

**Where:** **Cobwoolds Children and Family Centre**  
Lewis Lane, Cirencester. GL7 1EB

To enrol or enquire, please call  
Jo or Emma on:  
Jo—07557 175435  
Emma—07557 181050

Please scan for directions



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until women & children are safe



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Good  
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