



DUCKLINGTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 1st December 2023

Headteacher's Thoughts

As I looked across the playground at the end of the day on Monday, I could see the excitement gathering around the Year 6 cake sale. The amazing 'queue' was great to see. Well done to the Year 6 team for the great selection of cakes and to everyone, who took the time to support our Oxtrail project funds. With regards to the Oxtrail, we are currently waiting for our small ox to arrive to allow us to decorate in readiness for the actual Oxtrail next summer, which will see a herd of decorated oxen roaming throughout the whole county raising money for Sobell House – we are looking forward to it.

Now we have reached the month of December, it begins the season of Advent as we wait and watch to celebrate Christmas with all the joy and thrills that brings. This begins with the FODS Christmas event and grotto this evening starting at 4pm. There has certainly been a great interest in meeting Father Christmas through the booking system – I am sure the excitement will be building all day.

Next will be our annual visit to the pantomime, thank you to everyone who has given consent as well as paid for the visit – any outstanding monies and consents would be greatly appreciated by Wednesday next week – Thank you.

Mr. Leigh

Our Christian Value for this half term is:

Forgiveness

We will be thinking about how important it is to forgive people who upset us and how we need to say sorry if we do things to hurt others. We will be learning about how Jesus is a great inspiration to Christians to forgive others. We will also think about God's all-forgiving love.

*"Forgive us our sins, as we also forgive everyone
who sins against us."
Luke 11:4*

Future Diary Dates.

Friday 1st December – FODS Christmas Grotto Wednesday

6th December – Y3 Anglo-Saxon Day

Thursday 7th December – Y5 Viking Day

Thursday 7th December Dance Club show for parents

Tuesday 12th December/Thursday 14th December –
Pantomime visits (see letter for details)

Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Jumper Day
and Christmas Lunch

Friday 15th December – Reception Nativity.

Tuesday 19th December 9:30am Years 1 & 2 Nativity
in church

Tuesday 19th December- 5pm KS2 Carol Service in church

Achievements Assembly

A big well done to the children mentioned in our achievement assembly this week.

Ducklings

Rowan Tyler, Mehmet Aksahin

Owls:

Tyler Morgan-Coles, Ralf Dunsby

Mandarins:

Grace Borer, Hallie Buckingham

Eagles:

William Lloyd, Elsa Kukaj

Robins:

Leo Newman, Nma Alan

Kingfishers:

Sam Oxspring, Owen Rogers

Red Kites:

Alfie Leach, Sophie Paine

Around the school – will return again next week

Vicky's Holiday Club



Christmas 2023/New Year 2024

Join us at Vicky's Holiday Club!
Located at Aston & Cote Primary School
from 8.30 am – 5.00 pm

Tuesday, 2nd January 2024
Wednesday, 3rd January 2024
Thursday, 4th January 2024
Friday, 5th January 2024

Vicky's Holiday Club is open to all children aged 4-11 and will include fun activities, including arts and crafts, sport, indoor and outdoor play, baking and much more. Bring your own packed lunch (a light tea and snacks will be provided) £40.00 per day



To book contact Vicky Hickman
Call 07887711454 or
Email: holiday@vickysafterschoolclub.co.uk

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checked and
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trained

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Gloji Energy

A FREE healthy lifestyle programme for families with children aged 4-12.

- Fun weekly physical activity sessions for children taking part.
- Weekly sessions working with parents covering topics like fussy eating, portion sizes, physical activity, and how to lead a healthy lifestyle.
- Free 12-week programme, funded by Oxfordshire County Council.



When and where?

Windrush Leisure Centre, Witan Way,
Witney, OX28 4YA

4pm – 5pm

Starting Tuesday 23rd January 2024

10 free boxing sessions
sessions for the children

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code to sign up
and find out
more!



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Celebrate Christingle



at
St Bartholomew's Church
on
Sunday 10th December
at
4pm



We look forward to seeing you.

MESSY CHURCH IS BACK!

FRIDAY 8 DECEMBER 2023.

3.30-5.00PM

IN ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, DUCKLINGTON.



COME AND JOIN US FOR CHRISTMAS CRAFTS, ACTIVITIES,
MUSIC AND FOOD. OUR THEME IS LIGHT.

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME. PLEASE BRING YOUR CHILDREN
ALONG AND STAY WITH THEM DURING THE SESSION. TEA AND
COFFEE WILL BE AVAILABLE.

Just a reminder:

'Messy Church' is:

- a form of church for children and adults that involves creativity, celebration and hospitality.
- it meets at a time (and sometimes in a place) that suits people who don't necessarily belong to church.
- it typically includes a welcome, a creative time to explore a biblical theme through getting messy, a short celebration time involving story, prayer, song, games and similar, and sharing food together.
- it's fun.
- it's a church for people at all stages of their faith journey and of any age.
- it models and promotes good ways of growing as a family; a nuclear family, an extended family, and a global and local church family.
- its aim is to introduce Jesus; to give an opportunity to encounter him and to grow closer to him.

WE REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AND PREPARING
OUR CHURCH FOR FESTIVAL OF LIGHT.