



Shine as Lights in the World
Philippians 2.15

5th December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you again for the many kind messages of support we have received this week. We are truly blessed to be part of such a warm and supportive community.

Reception Nativity

A huge well done to the children in Ash and Hazel classes for their wonderful nativity on Thursday! The children really did 'shine as lights' and I'm sure their performances will be remembered fondly for many years to come. Thank you to the staff who helped to make it happen and to all of the families too for help with costumes, line learning, encouragement and for attending the performance.

Introduction to Phonics

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended this week's Introduction to Phonics meeting with Miss Rhodes and Miss Jackson. If you were not able to attend, you can find the slides that were used on our website.

Christmas Tree

We are very grateful to have been donated a beautiful tree by Mrs Loader's parents. The tree is currently adorned with lights, and we would love to add some decorations too. If the children would like to, they are invited to bring a decoration in to put on the tree. These can be homemade or bought, but please note that we will not be able to return these to your child, so nothing too precious or valuable, please.

Curriculum Newsletters

We are happy to share with you our latest curriculum newsletter. Each one will be linked to a different subject and will detail ways you can further enhance your children's learning in that subject at home. This week is Art! We hope you enjoy these newsletters. Let us know what you think.

Toys in school

We have noticed recently an increase in children bringing in toys from home. Please can you encourage your children to keep these things at home as it can be very

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upsetting for them if they get lost or broken and they can also prove a bit of an unwanted distraction during the school day. Thank you for your support with this.

Santa Fun Run

On Monday 15th December the children will be taking part in a fun run to raise money for Katherine House Hospice. £550 would cover the cost of sourcing and cooking delicious food for all 10 patients in their Inpatient Unit on Christmas Day. Children can bring in a Santa hat on the day (but we will have plenty of spares for any children without one) and each class will run together around the playground (weather permitting!). **Please send your child in to school in their PE kits and trainers on that day.**

If you would like to sponsor your child to run by making a donation to Katherine House Hospice you can do so using this link:-

https://www.justgiving.com/page/wychwood-ce-primary-school-2?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

Church Service – Year 3 and 4

The children in Year 3 and 4 will be attending a Christmas service at St Mary's Church in Shipton on Friday 19th December. The service should start at approximately 9:20am and families of Year 3 and 4 children are welcome to join us in the church. Festive jumpers are not essential, but we will be wearing ours!

Memory Tag for Miss Sandy

Today we have sent home a white envelope with a memory tag with instructions enclosed. Please look out for it in your child's bag.

Cauliflower Cards

All card / gift wrap / mugs / Notebook orders have now gone home. If you are missing any, please contact the office. We are still waiting for the playing cards to arrive. We will send them home next week once we have them.

Job Vacancy

We are currently advertising for a vacancy within our Wrap Around Care provision. Here is a link to the details if you are interested.

<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/123176/EDV-2025-WCEPS-96103>

Dates for the Autumn Term

Date	Details	Who
11 th & 12 th December	Key Stage 1 Nativity (2pm both days)	Year 1/2 & Parents
12 th December	Visit to the Ashmolean Museum	Year 3 & 4
15 th December	Santa Fun Run for Katherine House	All
16 th December	Christmas Bazaar	All
17 th December	Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumpers	All
18 th December	Carol Singing at Tall Trees	Selected Yr 5/6
18 th December	Reception Christmas Party	Reception
19 th December	Church Service at St Mary's, Shipton	Year 3/4 & Parents
19 th December	Christmas Jumper Day Year 5 & 6 Christmas Stalls	All
19 th December	School Ends at 1.30pm	All
20 th December – 4 th January	Christmas Holidays	All
5 th January	Return to school	All

Birthday Book Donations

Happy Birthday to Evie (Ash). Thank you for donating a book to your class. We hope you had a special day! If you would like to donate a book, please collect a donation sticker from the school office.

Thank you for your continuing support.

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