



DIARY DATES

DECEMBER

Fri 12th 4.15-5pm

Choir Singing at Waitrose
Stratford

Fri 12th 6.15pm

Santa Float Bidford

Sun 14th 4pm

Christingle Service St
Andrews Church

Mon 15th 2pm & 7pm

KS2 Christmas Play

Tues 16th 7pm

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Thurs 18th

Wear Something Festive Day &
Christmas Lunch

Thurs 18th 4 - 5pm

Choir singing at Budgens
Bidford

Fri 19th 9.15am

Carol Service

END OF TERM

JANUARY

Mon 5th

TEACHER TRAINING DAY

Tues 6th

BACK TO SCHOOL

Star of The Week	
Sebastian Pryce	Class 1
Zac Colbourne	Class 2
Toby James	Class 3
Elodie Turner Hurd	Class 4

**No Celebration Assembly
on Friday 19th December
as it's the Carol Service**

NEWSLETTER

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Christingle Service

The children enjoyed a lovely morning today constructing their Christingles. We are very grateful to the parent volunteers who came in to help – we could not have managed without you! The Christingle Service takes place this Sunday at 4:00 pm in St Andrew's Church. We look forward to welcoming children and families; it would be lovely to see as many of you as possible in the church for this very special service. The school car-park will be open to make space for additional parking. Children should come dressed in their school uniform.

Sporting Stars

14 children arrived at a cold and frosty Shipston High on Saturday, ready to run to the best of their ability.

The course was set out over the school fields and many felt that it was very long!

Over 60 children were involved in the first race for years 3 and 4 girls and the TG team showed, once again, their talent. The team of Georgia, Annabel, Amelia, Lola, Emma, Ruby and Mia finished in 5th place.

Our only representative in the years 3 and 4 boys was Toby who finished a super 42nd.

The girls from years 5 and 6 also performed well with the team of Sophie, India, Megan and Lucy finishing in 6th place.

Tom was the only TG runner in the senior boys' race finishing well in 27th place.

Special mention for Zoe who, despite feeling unwell, wanted to run but was unable to finish, and to Noah who was also unwell but came to support the TG children.

Thanks, also, to the parents for their enthusiastic support for cross country.

Christmas Lunch Day

We are looking forward to welcoming the caterers Four Leaf Clover to Temple Grafton who will be serving our Christmas lunch on Thursday. This year Thursday will be a mufti day (no charge!) the theme is wear something festive - we hope to see lots of Christmas sweaters!

As in previous years, the children will be making Christmas paper hats during the morning to wear at lunchtime. We would be very grateful if donations of newspaper and cellotape could be sent into school next week. If your child would like to add embellishments to their hat, they can bring extra things in to use as decorations. The hats will be judged and there will be a small prize for the most creative hat in each year group.

Choir on Tour

Our choir will be carol singing at Waitrose, Stratford, this Friday at 4.15pm and next week at Budgens at 4pm.

Round Table Santa Run

The Santa run takes place tonight in Bidford. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered so far. Anyone else wanting to come along, follow Santa's sleigh, give out chocolate and rattle a bucket, will be most welcome. Meet at Jacksons Meadow, Bidford at 6pm.

Panto Pandemonium

The KS2 performance will be taking place next Monday and Tuesday. The evening performances start at 7pm; doors will open at 6:30 pm and all children need to be back in school no later than 6:45pm. The performance runs for about an hour. Children will need to be collected after the evening performances at 8pm.

Born in a Barn

Congratulations to our Class 1 and 2 children for their wonderful performances of 'Born in a Barn'. Our thanks to Mrs Beysens and Mrs Hood for all the hard work they put in to rehearsing with the children.

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Temple Grafton

Church of England Primary School

12th December 2014

Last Day of Term

On the last day of term children in Classes 3 and 4 may bring a toy into school. The children will be responsible for taking care of their toys during the day and making sure they go home at the end of the day. We will not be able to open up school during the holidays if toys are left behind.

Maths Marking

There will be no maths marking next week. The next marking session will take place in the first week back in January.

Forest School

Forest School has finished now for this term, a big thank you to the parent volunteers. If there are any parents who would like to help in the Spring Term, please let the school office or Mrs Uttley know.

Carol Service

Next Friday our annual Carol Service will be taking place in St Andrew's Church at 9:15 am. Families are warmly invited to attend. After the service we will be serving refreshments in the school hall and would love you to join us for a mince pie and a cup of tea or coffee.

After School Clubs

There will be no after-school clubs next week.

PTA Christmas Cracker

We would like to say a big thank you to the PTA and all the helpers who worked so hard to put on a fantastic event last Friday. We were delighted to welcome so many families and hope you all enjoyed it as much as we did.

A Message From Reverend Ruth

Torchlight Nativity Saturday 20th December 3.30pm:

Do come and visit the Churches of Bidford again this year as we follow the donkey, with Mary and Joseph around Bidford to retell the Christmas story with carols. We gather in St Joseph's Car Park from 3.00pm to begin the journey at 3.30pm, come along dressed as angels, shepherds, sheep, wise men, camels or even yourself!! Our journey will end in St Laurence's Church with hot drinks, biscuits and mince pies. For more information contact Revd Ruth 772217

Nativity Service Christmas Eve:

Just as it begins to go dark on Christmas Eve do come and gather in St Andrew's for a great family event, the Nativity Service. A chance to stop for a short while, get away from the preparations to sing carols and hear the story of Jesus' birth.

Alternatively: 4.00pm Crib Service at St Laurence's Bidford

4.00pm Christingle and Carols round the tree at St Matthew's Salford Priors

For those who want something a little later there are "Midnight Communion" beginning at 11.30pm in Bidford, Salford Priors and Wixford. On Christmas morning there is a 9.15am Family Communion at St Andrew's. For times of other services in our group of churches do contact Revd Ruth. Wishing you all a Happy Christmas.

Education Service St Laurence's Church Bidford 25th January 2015 10.30am

Some of you will remember that 2 years ago all four of our Church Schools got together to celebrate in Church on a Sunday. We are doing that in the new year again, Canon Linda Wainscot the Diocesan Director of Education will be joining us and I am looking forward to a church full of pupils, parents, governors, staff and friends of our schools. Do put this date in your diaries, there will be more details in the new year as we are hoping to involve as many children as possible from the schools. Revd Ruth