

Christmas Arrangements 2025

Below are the events we will be hosting throughout the month of December. Some of these are for the children and staff in school and others are for parents to join us. Please see each event for further details.

Christmas Tree & Advent



We mark the beginning of Advent by asking our children to bring in a small, homemade tree decoration by Thursday 27th November to decorate the school Christmas trees. Please ensure the decoration is labelled and it comes to school in a plastic box or bag. As part of our collective worship on Monday 1st December, the children will hang their decoration on the trees and learn the significance of advent and the lead up to Christmas. This event will only be for the children and staff at school and led by Reverend Patrick.

Christmas Post

Many children enjoy sending and receiving Christmas cards. This year, the Christmas Post will run between 4th - 17th Dec. The children will be able to bring Christmas cards into school and post them into our Christmas post box during this time and they will then be distributed by Year 6 children. To ensure the cards get to the right person, please ensure the recipient's full name and year group is clearly marked on the envelope.

Reception and Year 1

This year, Reception and Year 1 are going to take part in a Christmas performance which we would like to invite parents to attend on Tuesday 9th December at 1.30pm OR Thursday 11th December at 1.30pm. We will be issuing 3 tickets per family this year. If tickets are not required, please hand back to the class teacher and they will be re-distributed on a first come, first served basis. Please let the class teacher know if you require additional tickets and we will add you to the waiting list. The tickets will come home on Friday 28th November.



Year 2 and 3 Christmas Play

This year, Year 2 and Year 3 will be performing a Christmas play on Monday 15th December at 1.30pm and 6pm. Each child will be allocated 3 tickets per performance. If all the tickets are not required, please pass them back to the class teacher for re-distribution on a first-come first-serve basis. Please let us know using the class email addresses, if you require extra tickets and we can place you on a waiting list. The tickets will come home with your child on Friday 28th November.

Year 4 – 6 Christmas Service

On Tuesday 16th December, KS2 will have carols around the tree at Shrivenham Primary School. The event will start at 4.30pm and will be the closing feature of the school Christmas Fete. Family members are encouraged to join us and even join in with our carols. We plan to be on the playground and therefore we will not be issuing tickets – you will be able to turn up, enjoy the carols and readings.

FoSS Tinsel Tuesday

FoSS are busy organising a Christmas 'Tinsel Tuesday' event. This will take place on Tuesday 16th December from 3pm – 5pm, in the School Hall.

There will be lots of Christmas cheer and festive fun including: hot chocolate, a cake sale, gingerbread biscuit decorating, ball or brussel game and lots more!

There will also be an opportunity for the children to visit Santa throughout the school day and after school. Look out for more details to follow on this!

Christingle Service

A Christingle service will be held at St Andrew's Church at 6.45pm on Sunday 14th December followed by Carols Around the Tree. Families are very welcome to attend this service. Mrs Jones will be taking some children to sing carols around the tree – more information to follow.



Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Our cooks will serve a festive Christmas dinner on Friday 12th December.

Children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper on this day. Further details about this will be shared shortly including the menu and how to pay for the meal.

Christmas Parties

The children will then have their class Christmas parties with games and festive fun on Monday 15th December in the afternoon. More details to follow. This will be a non-uniform day where children are encouraged to wear Christmas outfits! There will be food/drink lists up outside each classroom for parents to sign-up the week before. Please keep an eye out for this.



FoSS Christmas Raffle

FoSS are also organising our annual Christmas Hamper raffle, which will be drawn at our Tinsel Tuesday event. This has always been a huge part of our fundraising and we do hope you will continue to support us. More details from FoSS will follow.

Holidays

Term will end at 1.05pm on Friday 19th December and the children will return on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

If you have any queries regarding any of the above, please contact the school office.