Events at St John's – December 2026

Thank you for the amazing turn out at Cosy Reading, the last Family Breakfast and at our EYFS Phonics Workshops for Nursery and Reception parents. We love having your involvement in school. Here are some dates coming up:



Friday 27th November: Non-uniform day for an old teddy/soft toy donation: We are getting ready for our Festive Fun Hour – please send an old teddy/soft toy you no longer want into school for our Soft Toy Tombola stall or if you don't have one, a £1 donation.



Family Breakfast –Thursday 3rd December from 8am in School Hall: Come along for breakfast and a chance to meet up with other families, chat to school staff informally and enjoy breakfast together. No charge – everyone is welcome. This also includes an opportunity to look at our **PSHE and Relationships curriculum**.



Friday 4th December: Non-uniform day for chocolate donation: We are getting ready for our Festive Fun Hour – please send a chocolate donation in for one of our stalls.

Radcliffe Hub opening – Saturday 5th December from 12pm: Y5 have been involved in writing a song for the Radcliffe Hub opening and a selection of children are performing at the opening ceremony at 1pm at the Bandstand. Watch out for some free passes for Hub activities – the opening weekend will give everyone a chance to look around.

EYFS and KS1 Christmas Performance – Wednesday 9th December at 10am or 2pm: Nursery and Reception will be performing Christmas songs and Y1 and Y2 will be retelling the Christmas Story. Their performances will follow on from each other with no interval – so the whole event will last just around 45 minutes. You will be able to collect children at the end of the afternoon performance. **We assume every child will have up to 2 adults attending the performance – if you are bringing more people please let the office know so we can ensure we are within our numbers for fire regulations.**

Thursday 10th December 3.30-4.30pm in the Hall: Festive Fun Hour: Each class are running a stall or game to help us all have some fun and raise money for school equipment. Last year this was great fun with games, toys, chocolate and cakes. Come along with some £1 coins to spend. **We will be giving every child 2 tokens so they can have a go at 2 activities for free.**

Carol Singing in Care Homes – Friday 11th December at Rose Court and Monday 14th December at Abbeycliffe: We are delighted to support the congregation at St Thomas and St John's who are doing some carol singing in local care homes and some of the children from KS2 will be going on these visits too.



Christmas Craft Day – Monday 14th December: we will be enjoying a craft day - we will be making things to celebrate Christmas and share with you at home.



Whole School Pantomime – Aladdin – Tuesday 15th December: The whole school will be watching a pantomime together. A huge thank you to the teaching staff who have raised the money for this event by mentoring trainee teachers and speech and language therapists this term.

Christmas Lunch in School – Wednesday 16th December: children are welcome to wear red/green/sparkly/Christmas jumper etc. or school uniform – whatever they wish – as we celebrate together with a dinner cooked by the amazing Emma and her team.



KS2 Christmas Carol Service at St Thomas & St John's Church on Thursday 17th December at 10am: Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be performing songs, telling you the Christmas story and inviting you to listen to our choir pieces as we join with the Church Team at St TJ. You are very welcome to bring family members along.

St John's Big Christmas Quiz on Thursday 17th December after lunch: By popular demand our whole school Christmas Quiz is returning for a third year – each class can compete to win in different rounds – scavenger hunt, music, general knowledge – we can't wait!

Friday 18th December – school closes for the break at 2pm

School reopens on Monday 4th January 2027