

St Peter's NEWSLETTER

PRIMARY SCHOOL

"I have come that they may have life – life in all its fullness" John 10 v 10

21st November 2025

Issue 11

Dear families,

The wintry weather has arrived, at least temporarily, and Christmas is around the corner! Please read all the information on here carefully so you don't miss anything.

Christmas Dates

Monday 1st — Christmas Big Sing—selected pupils

Friday 5th — School advent window; Elfridges; Christmas discos

Tuesday 9th— Phoenix and Pegasus Carols by Candlelight 6pm

Wednesday 10th— Christmas dinner in Villlage Hall

Thursday 11th — Christmas jumper day (optional)

Friday 12th — FOSPS Christmas Bazaar 3pm

Sun 14th — Christingle (led by Church)

Mon 15th — Nativity dress rehearsal am; 1st performance 2pm

Tues 16th — Christmas Panto

Wed 17th — Nativity 2pm and 5.30pm

Thurs 18th —Christmas Experience at Church—(all pupils)

Fri 19th — Christmas Church service—all welcome 8.45am

Things to do

✓Book Big Sing tickets (if going)

✓Book disco tickets (if going)

✓Book Elfridges (if you want your child to take part)

✓Book Christmas dinner on MCAS (if wanted, please book school dinner for that date. The options are listed on the attached flyer).

✓Volunteer to help at one of FOSPS events if possible (see poster)

✓Sell raffle tickets for Bazaar (came home in book bags today)

✓Join us for Church service if possible (no pushchairs please)

Outdoor Explorers Y3 and Cygnus luckily sunny sessions this week and enjoyed building miniature woodland homes and making Autumn leaf crowns.



Stem Trip Y4,5,6 had an excellent time this week at F1 Williams in Wantage, completing STEM challenges, seeing the cars and even trying the racing themselves—virtually! Thanks to the helpers who supported us on the day. This week is Road Safety week. Please take this opportunity to [think about staying safe](#) in your vehicle as the weather worsens and the dark evenings draw in. Parliament Week is next week and School council will share some of their learning with you next Friday.



Well done to **Pegasus** on their class assembly this morning and thanks to families for joining us. Best wishes for the weekend,

Diana Apple

DATES COMING UP

(parents are welcome at ever in *italic bold*)

Mon 24th Boccia Event @ Burford selected pupils

Wed 26th Pegasus Outdoor Explorers

Thurs 27th MHST workshop part 2

Mon 1st Dec **Christmas Big Sing**

Fri 5th **Elfridges FOSPS Christmas Disco**

Please check the school calendar on the website for the dates up to Christmas



Congratulations to Chloe and Peter who each won a bronze medal at the Central England International Karate Competition

And a huge well done to Humphrey on winning a **silver** medal in his age category in the same event.



Advance Notice

Church car park not available on Thursday 4th December after 10am due to a Funeral.

WHAT HAS MY CHILD BEEN LEARNING? THIS WEEK?

Cygnus We have been learning about Ramadan and Eid. We have tasted different celebration foods and enjoyed learning some celebration dances.

Tucana We have been writing setting descriptions about imaginary places. We have also been labelling faces, edges and vertices of 3D shapes.

Phoenix to multiply 3 numbers together and solve scaling multiplication problems. We have also been writing alibis and thinking about how sound travels.

Pegasus exploring more multiplication in Maths, learning about the Amistad mutiny in History and enjoying our incredible STEM experience at Williams Racing.



Christmas LUNCH

ON

10th December

Roast Turkey (GF, DF, EF)
or Roasted Quorn (V, GF)

Sage & Onion Stuffing (DF, EF)

Chipolata Sausage (DF, EF) or Veggie Sausage (DF, EF)

Crispy Roast Potatoes

Carrots & Garden Peas

Gravy & Cranberry Sauce

Santa's Iced Christmas
Treat (V)



FOSPS

Christmas Events

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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DECEMBER

ELFRIDGES WORKSHOP

8:30am - 11:00am
@ School Hall

For More Info:

Speak to FOSPS committee- Sadie
Holland, Natalie Rainey & Monika
Simpson
or email
friendsofstpetersalvescot@gmail.com

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DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS DISCO

KS1 3:00pm- 4:15pm
KS2 5:00pm- 6:15pm
@ Village Hall

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DECEMBER

DISCO -behind the scenes

2:00pm-3:00pm. 4:15pm-
5:00pm. 6:15pm- 7:15pm
@ Village Hall

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DECEMBER

Christmas Raffle & Bazaar

2:00pm (SETUP)-3pm-4pm
(run stalls) -4:30pm (CLEAR)
@ School playground

15-19

DECEMBER

Refreshment Stands

For the schools Navivities,
Carol Service and Church
Service

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DECEMBER

School Christmas Lunch

Helping the staff prep hall,
serve and clear hall-
specifics TBC by Mrs Axford



Friends of St Peter's
School presents



Elfridges

Friday 5th December 2025 in the
School hall

£4.50 per gift

A secret shopping event where
the 'elves' help children pick up
to 4 gifts and create a tag.

Here's how it works

Pre order present tokens via MCAS. You can pre
order one gift to be shared by parents, or can
decide on several and name who they will be for.

There will be various options for nice list
grownups and children. The elves will help with
tag making while dancing along to Christmas
music. A fun event for all the children.



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Member
Association

Is your child 3 or 4 years old?

Primary school place – you must apply now

If your child was born on or between **1 September 2021** and **31 August 2022**, you need to apply for a primary school place now.

You must still apply even if your child already attends a nursery attached to the school.

Deadline for applications is **15 January 2026**.

Apply online at

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

– it's quick, easy and secure.

You can get free access to the internet at many of our libraries and children's centres – ask for details at your local facility.

For help and information:

Web: **www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions**

Email: **admissions.schools@oxfordshire.gov.uk**

Tel: **01865 519800 Option 2**



Join our Christmas posada nativity journey!

For unto us
a child is born!

Mary & Joseph's advent
journey through the parish,
awaiting the imminent arrival
of their special baby, reminds
us that we need to make room
for Jesus in our lives, homes &
communities.



Posada is a Mexican Advent Celebration - people dressed as Mary & Joseph travel from home to home to proclaim the imminent arrival of Jesus & find a safe place to await his birth. to await the birth of baby Jesus.

If you would like the knitted nativity to visit your home during Advent, please contact helenbarling@yahoo.co.uk. You will need to permit your contact details to be given to those taking part to pass the nativity on. If you are unable to attend the Christmas Eve service then please pass the sheep on with the Crib.



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AND **ROBERT B. SHERMAN**

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March 2026**



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Burford
Festival

FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S SCHOOL
PRESENTS

CHRISTMAS DISCO

**FRIDAY 5TH
DEC**

KS1 3PM - 4:15PM
KS2 5PM - 6:15PM
@ ALVESCOT VILLAGE
HALL

2025

£5 PER CHILD INCLUDES -

ENTRY, GAMES & PRIZES, SNACKS, UNLIMITED DRINKS,
GLOWSTICK AND STICK ON TATTOOS

NO MOBILE PHONES PERMITTED.

R/KS1 - A PARENT OR GUARDIAN IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND
KS2 - PARENTS WELCOME. NO MOBILE PHONES PERMITTED.
SORRY NO SIBLINGS

BOOK VIA BROMCOM FORM BY 28TH NOV
PAY BY BANK TRANSFER ACC 44159144 SORT 40-35-34

friendsofstpetersalvescot@gmail.com

This event is run by volunteers, we welcome helpers

MHST parent workshop for understanding children's behaviours and emotions

Please join us for a Mental Health Support Team (MHST) parent workshop for understanding children's behaviours and emotions, based on the guided self-help intervention Brief Incredible Years.

This is a 2-part workshop. The workshops aim to develop understanding of behaviours in children and empower you to build on your toolkit of strategies for promoting positive behaviours and regulating emotions.

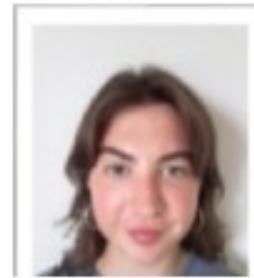
The morning will consist of a presentation, interactive discussions, and activities. Plus, tea and biscuits!

Dates and times:

Part 1 – Thursday 20th November 8:30-10:00

Part 2 – Thursday 27th November 8:30-10:00

Location: St Peter's Primary School



**Ella Wright (Education
Mental Health
Practitioner)**



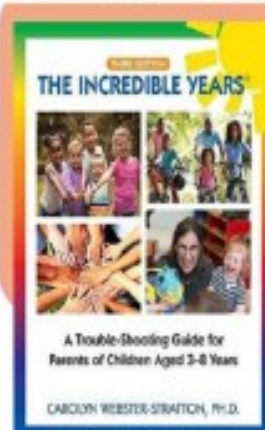
Please book your space on
MCAS ASAP

Supporting emotional
regulation

Natural and logical
consequences

Ignore Technique

Some key topics include:



The attention principle

Coaching Skills

Praise and rewards

Clear commands and limit
setting



CRAFTS & GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

**Alvescot Village Hall
OX18 2PU**

11am — 4pm

Sunday 23 November

MEET LOCAL MAKERS

Delicious Refreshments Raffle

FREE entry

**Proceeds to
Alvescot Church Restoration**



MARRIOTT'S WALK

CHRISTMAS MARKET



27TH - 30TH NOVEMBER

THURSDAY 27TH 10AM - 6PM

FRIDAY 28TH 10AM - 7PM

SATURDAY 29TH 10AM - 6PM

SUNDAY 30TH 10AM - 4PM

FREE ENTRY
FREE PARKING



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