

Diary for week commencing 27th November 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

There is quite a bit to read through this week. Please take time to scroll down. I have included a flyer from St. Michael's Church welcoming everyone to the Christmas Tree Festival and Lantern Parade.

The Graham Adams Centre in Southam is running its Winter Warm Hub. Family Space is open in the Youth Club on a Friday evening. Families are invited to 'drop-in' where there are snacks, games and a chance to socialise. I have included a poster further down giving details.

On-line safety is our priority. Please see below for a free on-line workshop with the charity Safeline who will guide you through how to keep your children safe on-line. Of course you trust your own child on-line – but do you trust everyone else out there in the on-line community? Children cannot unsee what they have seen. Please be vigilant by attending this free training. Thank you.

The school is a means of support for our families. If you are finding it difficult to make ends meet, then please contact the school – in complete confidence – and we can help with food parcels and advice. If you are worried about domestic abuse or violence, then please come forward – again in strictest confidence – and we can offer support and signpost you to get the right help.

Christmas Fair



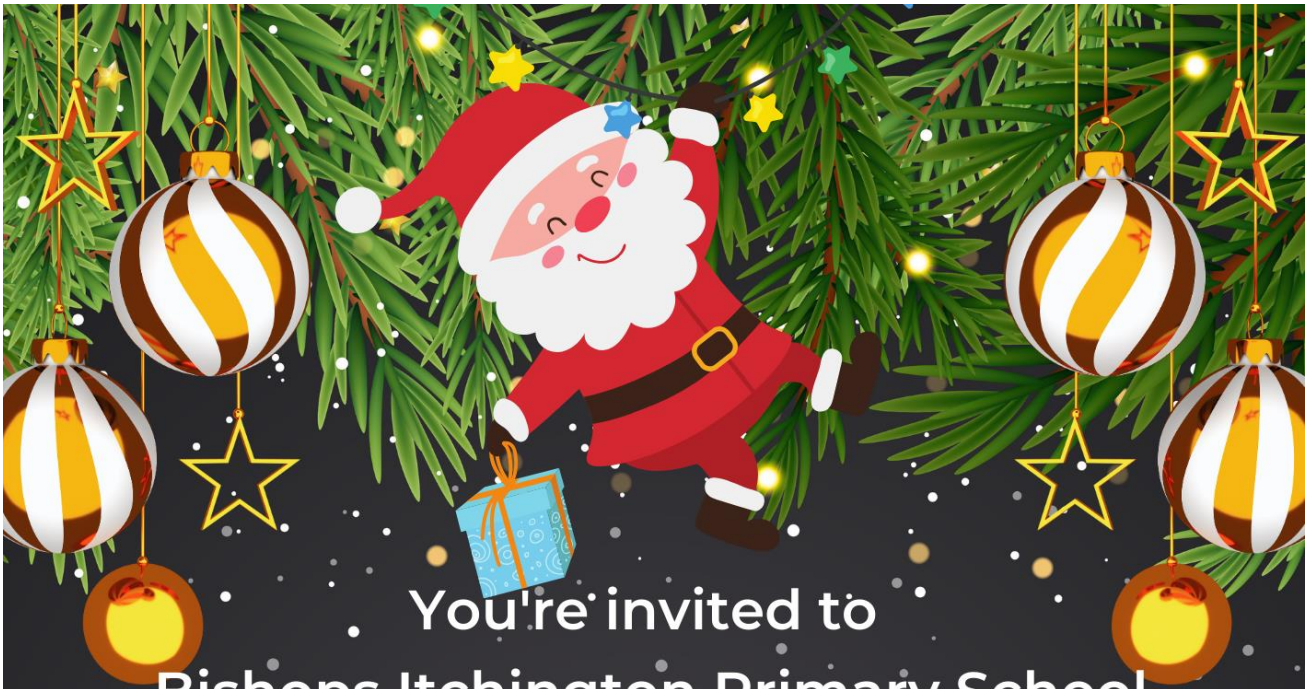
It's our Christmas Fair on Saturday! Please come and support our school and your children by bringing friends and family. The choir will be singing and the children will be running stalls. Plus a Top of the Rock drumming session will be performed by Year 6 children.

Fund-raising through FoBIPS is vital so we can purchase the things for the children that we think they deserve. This includes subsidising school trips, paying for some of our music workshops, computing equipment, and more. This wonderful team is absolutely amazing and provides so much enrichment for the children.

	Before School	Morning	Lunchtime	Afternoon	After-School
Monday 27th November	Buddies 7.30am NESSY	Assembly on looking after Mental Health	Athletics	Piano Lessons	Book Fair Buddies until 5.30pm Tag Ruby & Multi-Sports
Tuesday 28th November	Buddies 7.30am NESSY	Science Assembly	Football Construction Club	Year 3 Speed- Stacking Budbrooke Sch Drumming Lessons	Book Fair Buddies until 5.30pm Drama Club Netball Club
Wednesday 29th November	Buddies 7.30am NESSY	Singing Assembly	Choir	Drumming Lessons	Buddies until 5.30pm
Thursday 30th November	Buddies 7.30am NESSY		Football War Hammer Science Club Art Club	Guitar Lessons Paired reading across the school	Buddies until 5.30pm KS1 Football

Friday 1 st December	Buddies 7.30am		Eco-Group Sports	House Reward No Celebration Assembly	Buddies until 5pm
Saturday 2 nd December	School Christmas Fair 12pm – 3pm				

Christmas Fair is on Saturday!



You're invited to
Bishops Itchington Primary School

CHRISTMAS FAYRE



ELFRIDGES

CAFE



SATURDAY

2
DEC

12-3PM

RAFFLE

STALLS

SANTA'S GROTTO

GAMES

BOTTLE TOMBOLA





Festive Fayre - Saturday 2nd December 12-3pm

Next Saturday in school 12-3pm – lots of festive, food, fun and games to be had at our festive fayre. Here's what you need to know.....

Doors open 12noon – admission is £1 per adult and children are free

Card and Cash accepted – if you run out of cash please visit the admissions desk or raffle stall to obtain cash back.

Grotto slots – available now but MUST be prebooked (see below)

Performances to enjoy – Top of the rock tuition will be performing at 12:15 (see programme for location) and Choir perform in the hall at 12:30

Grotto slots – OPEN NOW!



We are delighted that Father Christmas has time to visit us at our fayre and would advise that ALL slots must be pre-booked before the event. This is to ensure that we have sufficient gifts for everyone. If you would like to book simply scan the QR code below and select the most convenient time for you. Please note that if you have a child in choir, they will be required to perform at 12:30 so it's advisable to book onto slots after 1pm



Grotto is PREBOOK only.

Raffle tickets – every child has been given two books in an envelope. Each book is worth £5 (£1 per ticket), please can you sell tickets to friends, family or neighbours and help us raise funds for school.

Ticket stubs need to be completed and returned via FoBIPS red post boxes with payment in an envelope labelled with your child's name by **Thursday 1st December** – tickets can also be returned on the day.

First prize – £50 donated by Brellis Recruitment

Christmas tree donated by Manor Farm

IMPORTANT – we need help to set up the fayre and take it all back down again.

If you can spare 1hr or 30mins either between 9:30am and 11:45am or between 3pm and 5pm on Saturday please email fobips@gmail.com and let us know.

Our team would appreciate the support as we would like to attend the Village Light Switch on with our families.

Gin Tasting for two donated by The Warwickshire Gin Company

Thank you to everyone for their bottle donations today.

Elfridges – This is the place for children to visit and purchase items for the special people in their lives for Christmas (or a birthday – there are some non-festive options available). Our elves will support your children with their shopping and ensure the item(s) are safely stored in sealed bags ready for the big day!

Items are priced from 50p to £4 – this is a **CASH** only stall.

Games and stalls – We have filled every space in school to bring you plenty of fun filled entertainment so please do visit every classroom on our map to get the most fun from the fayre. We have “Elf off the shelf, lucky dip, bottle tombola, raffle, candy cane lane and a disco dome. The classes have all been working hard to bring festive delights or fun games to the fayre so please ensure you give them your support too.

Mini Swishing Party – The team of mums from Year 5 are bringing their remaining gorgeous clothing to the fayre so you can try on and buy something preloved for festive season. Thank you to these mums for their support for FoBIPS.

Festive Food Treats – Our café will be serving delicious festive paninis and homemade cakes. The café serving point will be in Buddies and seating provided in Buckingham (Year 6) classroom.

We are working very hard to ensure a speedy delivery service on the day and have taken on board feedback from previous events. It's extremely hard to cater and plan for these events so please do visit our café and enjoy some delicious treats.

Bakers – We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our bakers who will be sharing their GBBO talents with us all and providing what will undoubtedly be an array of delicious treats.

The Book Fair is Here!

The Book Fair is at school Monday and Tuesday after school this coming week. Please come and visit after school from 3.30pm until 3.45pm – open every day. The Book Fair will be in the front entrance reception area of the school. Come and choose! Card payments only.

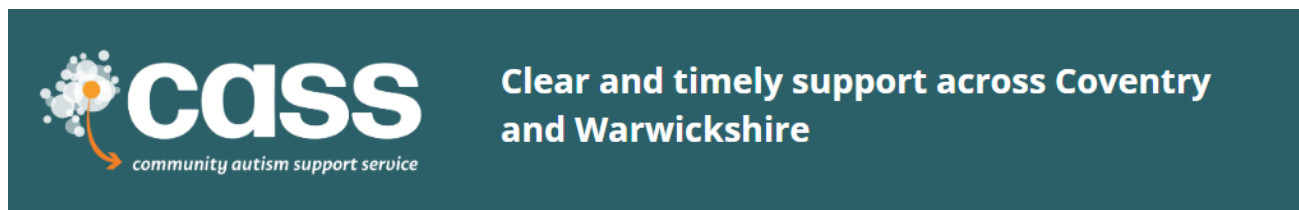
Peg-doll tree decorations

This weekend the children in school have been set a challenge by Mrs Saunders. In each child's book bag they will have a wooden peg. We are asking each child in school to decorate their wooden peg to represent themselves and this will be placed on our school community Christmas tree. Please can this be returned to your child's class teacher by Monday 27th November 2023.



Information for parents of children with special educational needs

This is a workshop for parents of children who have Autistic Spectrum Disorder or are awaiting a diagnosis.



CASS are starting a workshop for parent carers of autistic children or those awaiting diagnosis. The course starts on the 5th December for a four week period, each session is three hours. Please click here for information. <https://casspartnership.org.uk/training-and-education/>

Warwickshire Local Authority have a SEND local offer that signposts parents of children with special educational needs to support and advice. Please visit their website on:



Holiday Club



We can run our Holiday Club on the dates below this academic year. Please could you contact the school office to book your child's place. Please note school does not receive funding for Holiday Club and therefore we can only run it if we have enough support. So, please book your place asap. Thank you so much.

Miss Jeacock and Mrs. Buckingham will be running Holiday Club and the theme this autumn half term will be 'Festivals.' Holiday Club will run from 8am until 4pm and the cost will be £28 per full day.

Christmas holiday 2023/24

Tuesday 2nd January – Thursday 4th January

February half term 2024

Monday 12th February – Thursday 15th February

Easter holiday 2024

Monday 25th March – Thursday 28th March and Tuesday 2nd April – Thursday 4th April

May half term 2024

Tuesday 28th May – Thursday 30th May

Summer holiday 2024

Tuesday 23rd July – Friday 26th July

Monday 29th July – Friday 2nd August

Monday 5th August – Friday 9th August

Monday 12th August – Friday 16th August

Christmas Disco – Friday 15th December 2023

Timings: Infants – 5:30 – 6:15pm

Juniors 6:30 – 7:15pm

If you are collecting an Infant at 6:15pm and bringing a Junior child then you can drop off your Junior child at 6:15pm. They will be asked to wait in the hall in a supervised area.

Online forms will be available after the fayre.

PayPal – due to increasing charges from PayPal we are no longer accepting payments via this platform. We will collect payments in cash, BACS or via SUMUP payment links or QR codes going forward.

Parents of reception children are welcome to attend this event as it will be your child's first disco at school however, please can you ensure that you note the following:

Use of mobile phones during the disco is strictly prohibited.

All children – including Year 6 children – must be collected by an adult, please.

Internet Safety Workshops – Please look here to keep your children safe on line



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Safeline will be delivering Parent Workshops online via Zoom. These workshops consist of 3 evening sessions which will take place once a week on **Monday 27th of November 2023**, **Monday 4th of December 2023** and **Monday 11th of December 2023**. These sessions will always begin at **5:00pm and end at 6:00pm**.

We encourage Parents to attend all 3 sessions as they provide an insight to many important topics that arise within society today.

The first session is based on Internet Safety which includes the following outcomes: Providing knowledge around social media apps/privacy settings, knowledge around online grooming – the risks and dangers, a deeper understanding of Cyberbullying and how to respond to it and understanding the risks behind Online Gaming.

The second session will be about Mental Health and Welfare issues, which will provide an understanding of what Mental Health is, allow you to gain a better knowledge of what can affect children's mental health, how to best support children if they are suffering with Mental Health Issues and any useful apps/websites for external support.

The final session will be based on Bullying and Sexual Harassment in Schools. This session discusses how to recognise the signs of bullying/sexual harassment, how to support your young person through it and how to report it.

Zoom is available to all and can be accessed on different devices such as, mobile phones (With a camera and internet), iPad, tablets, and laptop/computers. All you must do is enter the Zoom website: zoom.us, click **Join a Meeting** and enter the following **Meeting ID: 765 294 7590**. **Could you please send an email confirming your attendance to the email address below, can you please also state the school your child attends and which year group they are in.** Safeline colleagues hope to see you there, as these sessions offer a deeper understanding of the many challenges young people face today and we hope to prevent these risks together.

If you require any assistance accessing our workshop on Zoom, please contact us on the email below.

Thank you

Yours Sincerely

Ramandeep Deol

Early Intervention Manager

Email: ramandeepd@safeline.org.uk

SAFELINE'S PARENT WORKSHOP

**HOW TO KEEP YOUR CHILD SAFE ONLINE,
IMPROVE THEIR MENTAL HEALTH AND
LEARN HOW TO DEAL WITH BULLYING.**

Join us on Zoom Meeting ID: 765 294 7590

Internet Safety

Monday 27th November 5pm - 6pm

Mental Health

Monday 4th December 5pm - 6pm

Bullying and Sexual Harassment in Schools

Monday 11th December 5 - 6pm

**We recommend attending all 3 sessions to
gain a deeper understanding into your child's
welfare.**

**Please confirm attendance via email at:
ramandeepd@safeline.org.uk**



Christmas Tree Festival and Village Lantern Parade

1st – 3rd December 2023 at St Michael's Church



Church open times for viewing the Christmas Trees:

Come and vote for your favourite tree; Refreshments; Nativity Grotto

Friday 1st Dec: 6.00-8.00pm

Saturday 2nd Dec: 10.00-12.00noon

Sunday 3rd Dec: 10.00-12.00noon

@10.30am Carols and telling the Christmas Story

@11.15am Announcing the tree with the most votes

Saturday's Lantern Parade Timetable:

5.00-5.15pm: Meet up with other lantern bearers at various points around the village and parade up to the church

5.30pm: Sing carols, led by the Cubbington Silver Band, surrounded by the Festival Christmas trees. We will then parade from the church, down Chapel St and on to Fisher Rd to the Butcher's Arms

7.00pm: Village Christmas tree lights will be turned on, Stalls and refreshments organised by the Village Carnival Committee

ALL WELCOME

FREE ENTRY

Warm Welcome @



The
**GRAHAM
ADAMS**
centre

the heart of Southam

St James Road, Southam, CV47 0LY

FREE

After School Drop-In

Friday 3.30-5pm

@ Southam Youth Club



All children under
11 must be
accompanied by an
adult

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Snacks

Crafts

Support

Games

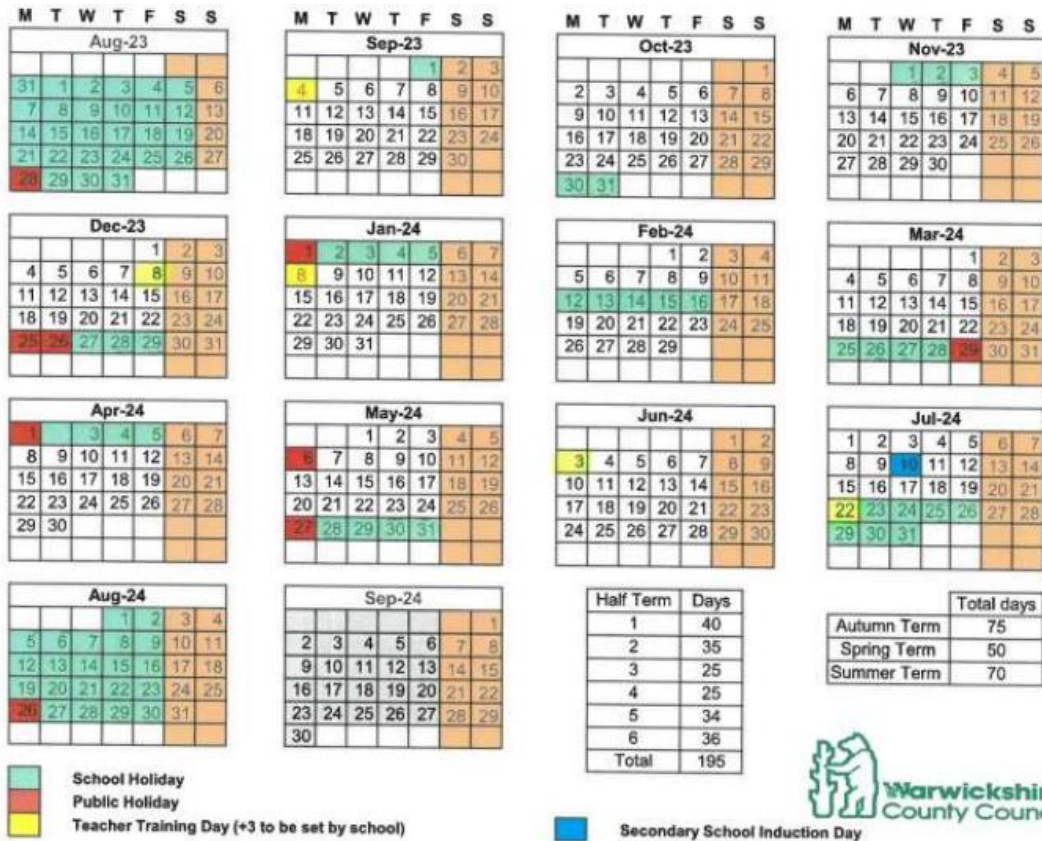
Winter

Warm
Hub

This Calendar will be re-issued each weekend, so please keep an eye on updates!

November 2023	
Friday 24 th	Dress-down day – bring a bottle for Xmas Fayre tombola. Nasal Flu vaccinations Year Reception to Year 6
December 2023	
Saturday 2 nd	School Christmas Fayre 12-3pm
Wednesday 6 th	Year 3 and 4 trip to Coombe Abbey
Friday 8 th	Teacher Training Day – Children do not come to school this
Tuesday 12 th	Infant Nativity 2pm and 5pm.
Thursday 14 th	Ladybirds Nativity at the school (morning)
Friday 15 th	School Christmas Dinner Children wear a Christmas jumper or decoration to school (this is not a fund-raiser; just for fun). School Disco evening.
Friday 22 nd	Trophy Assembly afternoon. Last day of term.
January 2024	
Monday 8 th	Teacher Training Day – Children do not come to school this day.
Tuesday 9 th	All children return to school today.

These are the term dates for this academic year.



Explore. Achieve. Celebrate.
 Together we grow happy, responsible and adaptable individuals
 who are ready to continue their life-journey.