

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Non-uniform day in exchange for bottles and/or chocolates for the Tombola at the Christmas Fayre**

**Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day**

Christmas dinner will be on 13<sup>th</sup> December - this can be booked as normal through ParentPay. If there are any items on the menu (emailed out on 23/11) that your child cannot have then please email Mrs Tyler on [tylerm@redoaks.org.uk](mailto:tylerm@redoaks.org.uk) to let her know.

**BOOK THIS BY TOMORROW LATEST (2/12/21)**



This will also be our Christmas jumper day where we invite all children and staff to come to school in their craziest, loudest, most FUN Christmas jumper to raise money for Save the Children. This money goes towards helping those children who need it the most! **Please note that normal uniform is still to be worn on the bottom half.**

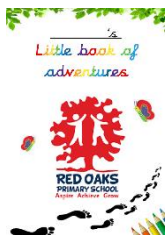


**Save the Children**  
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Christmas jumper day is in aid of 'Save the Children' and voluntary donations can be made through Parent Pay - no cash please. Thank you. 😊

**Christmas Cards**

This year, we are adapting to make spreading the Christmas cheer COVID friendly. If your child/children would like to send their friends, **in their own class**, a Christmas card this year please bring these in from today onwards. The teachers will each have a post box in their class where they will be kept and quarantined for 48 hours before sending these out. Please make sure they only **write cards to children in their own bubbles** as we are unable to safely cross these this year.



**The Little Books of Adventures**

Have you done any activities from The Little Book of Adventures at home recently? Don't forget to share them with your class teacher on Dojo so we can tick them off of your booklet in school.

The activities can be found on our website here:

<https://www.redoaks.org/children00.php>

**Headlice**

There have been some outbreaks of headlice in school and so we would like to ask **all** parents/carers to **regularly** check their child/children's hair and treat them appropriately, if necessary. Pupils with long hair are advised to keep it tied back in either a ponytail or plaits. There is further detailed advice on the following website:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits>. Many thanks.



**Lost Property**

Following the email sent out last Friday detailing the current contents of the trunk as 87 items of school uniform, 3 coats, 5 water bottles, 8 tubs, a snuggle lunch box and a pink child's umbrella, we had only five named items which were duly returned to their owners. Please put your child's name in all their clothing, shoes, bags and anything else you would like to keep.

If your child is missing items please come and check the basket, or perhaps if you need any items please help yourselves. Clothing is sorted into age range in boxes at the moment. Any items still left at the end of term will be donated to Wiltshire Air Ambulance Charity via their clothing recycling.



### Christmas Toy Appeal

Red Oaks would like to support this appeal again. Between Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, we are inviting staff and pupils to *voluntarily* buy a present for a child between the ages of 0-16 years old. Please bring it to school, drop off under the umbrella at the front of the school where you will see a trolley every morning. We ask that the presents are **NOT WRAPPED** as the recipients' parents would usually do this. If you would like, we would also accept donations of Christmas wrapping paper. You may like to add a tag to the box with a message and /or age range. For further information please visit [gcswindon.org.uk/toy-appeal](https://gcswindon.org.uk/toy-appeal).

### **Stuck for what to buy?**

**0-3:** Dolls, teddy bears, baby clothes, bath toys, puzzles, educational toys (sorting) and role play items.

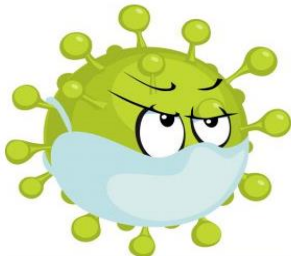
**3-5:** Dolls and action figures, cars and lorries, colouring sets, pencils, crayons, books, puzzles, Play-Doh sets and role play items.

**5-9:** Educational games and toys, stationery (colouring sets, pencils, crayons, school sets), CDs and family-friendly DVDs, books, puzzles, wordsearch, crosswords, craft sets, annuals and novelty back packs.

**9-12:** Games and toys, gadgets and novelty toys, stationery, DVDs, books, hair accessories, annuals, novelty back packs.

**13-16:** Books, accessories, gift vouchers, gadgets and novelty items.

Many thanks in advance for your continued support as once again the Red Oaks community come together to make a difference!



### Covid 19 Test Results

If your child tests **positive** on a Lateral Flow Test (LFT) let the school know. **You MUST** book them in straight away for a **PCR test to confirm** if they have Covid.

When your child has had their **PCR** test result, please contact the school office to inform us **immediately** so that we can update our records, either by telephone (01793 493920) or send an email with the subject line "**Positive PCR and child's name**" to Mrs Ponting on [pontingj@redoaks.org.uk](mailto:pontingj@redoaks.org.uk).

### **The Christmas Fayre at Red Oaks 2021** **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 3.15pm-5.00pm on the playground**

This year we are holding our Christmas Fayre outside. Every class will be making their enterprise projects for you to purchase as well as some refreshments and FORO stalls.

We are hoping Santa will be visiting us again this year; you will be able to book in to see him on ParentPay.

The children have been learning some Christmas Carols and will be singing them, if they are here, at 3.50pm-4.20pm on the playground. There will also be some classic songs for you to join in with us.

## Online Safety - New YouTube Feature

YouTube have recently made a new feature publicly available - it is called YouTube Shorts and it is accessible through the YouTube app. Below is some guidance from the Our Safe Schools Website ( <https://oursaferschools.co.uk/2021/07/01/youtube-shorts-need-to-know/> ).



### YouTube Shorts

YouTube Shorts is a new feature within the YouTube app that allows users to create short videos (lasting no longer than 60 seconds) on their phones. The content of these videos can be anything. Current trends include exercise tips, dance challenges, and funny pet videos. YouTube has no current plans to make Shorts a standalone app.

### What parents need to know

Due to the recommended privacy settings there are several risks:

- If a child or young person uploads a public video to YouTube, the audio can be used in a Shorts video by anyone. This means strangers may attempt to engage in interaction with them as their YouTube profile will be referenced in shorts that use it
- Young people may be drawn in by YouTube's eagerness for creators to become famous using Shorts. This can inspire a vulnerable young person to engage in fame-seeking tactics while using the feature, such as wearing revealing clothing, engaging with fans (strangers), or sharing personal information in an attempt to connect with 'fans'
- The Shorts feature is purposefully designed to be addictive. It may encourage excessive screen time in your child or young person
- There is an increased risk of inappropriate or harmful content being posted to Shorts, as the shorter length and volume of videos may make it more difficult for moderators to check. TikTok has had this same issue, with inappropriate content often being looked over or "hinted" at by creators to obscure moderating algorithms
- Users are not able to control the types of videos that appear within the feed, meaning your child might be exposed to inappropriate content

If you need any further information please visit the Our Safe School website or contact Mr Lee.

### Upcoming Dates

**Book your Xmas Dinner by 2<sup>nd</sup> December LATEST!!**

3<sup>rd</sup> December - Non-uniform in exchange for bottles/chocolates for Tombola at Christmas Fayre on 10<sup>th</sup> December

7<sup>th</sup> December - Reception Performance - 10.00am & 2.00pm

8<sup>th</sup> December - Flu vaccinations

10<sup>th</sup> December - Year 1 Performance 10.00am & 2.00pm

10<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Fayre & Carols - 3.15pm - 5.00pm

13<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day!

15<sup>th</sup> December - Year 2 Performance - 10.00am & 2.00pm

16<sup>th</sup> December - Nursery Performance 11.10am for morning pupils and 2.45pm (afternoon and full-time pupils)

Nursery last day before holidays

17<sup>th</sup> December - school closes at 1.30pm for Xmas Holidays

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5<sup>th</sup> January 2022 - School reopens

**15<sup>th</sup> January - Deadline for Primary School Admissions**





Christmas Holidays



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8:30 to 17:30 with half day options

## Holy Family

Christmas afternoon on Thursday 23rd at both venues will see us have lots of fun and competitions with prizes to be won.

Both venues are OFSTED registered and accept childcare vouchers.

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# Christmas Cycling Camps

Join Paul, Jennifer and the team for a fun filled HALF DAY session filled with bike skills, and festive cycling games. Prizes for best fancy dress and/or decorated bike!

**Tuesday 21 December 2021**

Wroughton Junior School  
9am - 12pm

£20 for the morning to include hot chocolate and festive snack.

All you need is warm clothing, bike (no stabilisers), helmet and a smile on your face!



PLACES ARE LIMITED!!!

TO BOOK A PLACE:  
Call Paul on 07590 688808

or email  
[paul@paulashmancycling.com](mailto:paul@paulashmancycling.com)



# Christmas Adventure Ride

Join Paul, Jennifer and the team for a festive adventure ride, covering many of the local traffic free trails. We'll look at skills and technique round Croft before riding out to Lydiard Park for a hot chocolate.

**Tuesday 21 December 2021**

Meet at Wroughton Junior School at 12.30pm  
Pick up from Lydiard Park 3.30pm

£35 for the session to include hot chocolate and festive snack.

All you need is warm clothing, bike (no stabilisers), helmet and a smile on your face!



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# Christmas Learn to Ride



Join Paul and Matt for a fun filled beginners workshop aimed at those still on stabilisers or balance bikes, ready to learn to ride pedals unaided. We'll have lots of activities to make this exciting transition stress free for the children!

**Monday 20  
December 2021**  
Wroughton Junior  
School  
9am - 12pm  
£35

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