

St. John's CE Primary School

Weekly Bulletin - 12 December 2025



Coming up

Date	Time	Location	Event
Mon 15 Dec 2025	13.00 - 15.00	WR	Y5&6 Class Christmas Parties
Mon 15 Dec 2025	13.00 - 15.15	LRR	LRR Class Christmas Parties
Tue 16 Dec 2025	8.30 - 11.30	All Saints	Y3&4 Carol Concert Rehearsals
Tue 16 Dec 2025	12.00 - 13.00	LRR	LRR Christmas Lunch
Tue 16 Dec 2025	18.30 - 20.00	All Saints	Whole School Carol Concert, Y6 Candlelit Procession & Y3&4 Nativity - all families welcome
Wed 17 Dec 2025	9.30 - 10.30	Redland Park URC	Whole School Christmas Sing-a-Long & Christmas Jumper Day
Wed 17 Dec 2025	13.00 - 15.00	WR	Y3&4 Class Christmas Parties
Wed 17 Dec 2025	13.00 - 15.30	WR	Cygnets Forest School
Thu 18 Dec 2025	12.00 - 13.00	WR	WR Christmas Lunch
Fri 19 Dec 2025		Both Sites	Whole School (children only) Christingle (LRR am / WR pm)
Mon 05 Jan 2026	All day	Both Sites	Whole School INSET DAY
Wed 07 Jan 2026	13.00 - 15.30	WR	Ducklings Forest School
Fri 09 Jan 2026	9.00 - 9.45	LRR	EYFS Parent & Carer Session - Maths



INSET Days 2025-2026 Mon 5 Jan Fri 13 Feb

[Click here to view the school calendar](#)

For Action



Who?	When?	What?
Whole School	Tue 16 Dec & Thu 18 Dec	<p>Christmas lunch is at LRR on Tuesday 16th Dec and at WR on Thursday 18th Dec. Parentpay will show the normal menu but order the meat, vegetarian or Halal option as appropriate, there will not be a jacket potato option so please do not choose this. See menu below. WR children may bring in a Christmas accessory to wear on the 18th.</p> <p>To avoid two roasts in a row on Xmas lunch week, on Wednesday 17th we will have the menu that would have been served on the Tuesday at LRR and on the Thursday at WR. This means on Wednesday 17th the 2 sites will be serving a different meal to each other. ParentPay won't change so order meat / veggie / halal, as appropriate.</p>
Whole School	by Mon 15 Dec	Christmas Post - The last day to post a letter is Monday 15th December, please make sure a full name and class are written on the envelope.
Whole School	Wed 17 Dec	Christmas Sing-a-Long - children can come to school in a Christmas jumper, please bring a £1 donation for Children with Cancer UK, and to support our partner school in Uganda. If you are able to help walk to and from the church please contact your class teacher.
Whole School		Shine After School Club programmes starting from January - the clubs for Infants and Juniors are now live for booking. To see the January to March programme, click here .
WR		At WR, in order to make it more accessible, Lost Property has now moved to the small wooden cabinet next to Carnival classes' external door (by the double doors leading into school). We will be sorting/recycling/disposing of any unclaimed lost property towards the end of next week so please do ask your child to check if they have misplaced anything and have a look through the boxes. In particular, there are a lot of unclaimed water bottles (on top of the cabinet) that want to go back home for the Christmas break!
Cygnets	Wed 17 Dec	Children to come to school in base layers for Forest School afternoon, bring wellies and water proofs. Please sign up if you are able to help: Cygnets Forest School Sign Up
Ducklings	Wed 07 & 14 Jan	Children to come to school in base layers for Forest School afternoon, bring wellies and water proofs. Please sign up if you are able to help: Ducklings Forest School Sign Up
EYFS	Mon 15 Dec	Children may come to school in their party gear for the class Christmas party . Bring some food in a named container (no nuts).

Kestrels	Thursdays until 08 Jan	Volunteers are required for Forest School on Thursday afternoons, please sign up if you are able to help: Kestrels Class Forest School sign up
Y1&2	Mon 15 Dec	Children may come to school in their party gear for the class Christmas party . Bring some food in a named container (no nuts).
Y3&4	Wed 17 Dec	Children may come to school in their party gear for the class Christmas party . Bring some food in a named container (no nuts).
Y3&4	Tue 16 Dec	Year 3&4 children should to be dropped off between 8.30-8.45am at All Saints for the carol concert rehearsals , please can actors and dancers bring in their costumes in a bag. For the evening carol concert Y3&4 children should arrive at All Saints at 6.00pm already in their costumes. Y6 children need to arrive by 6.15pm.
Y5&6	Mon 15 Dec	Children may come to school in their party gear for the class Christmas party . Bring some food in a named container (no nuts).



School News

Click on the news item below to see more on our website

Online Safety	For some further advice from Kooth regarding Smartphones and Cyberbullying please follow this link to our website . For information for parents/carers about Fortnite (+12 game) please follow this link .
Sports 	Y4 Football Success
Governor Election Result	Following the recent governor election we are delighted that Konstantina Sotiropoulou has been elected as a parent/carers governor to the St John's Governing Body.
Service Questions 	In services this week, we have been helping ourselves and others to 'fly high like an eagle' by reflecting on these questions: What can you do to be kind to others? Why is it important to be kind?
Prime Thinkers Club	Tailored support in Maths for KS2 pupils , £12.00 per session. Register your interest for term 3 using the QR code on the flyer at the bottom of the bulletin.
Creativity Club	The OG Creativity Club is bookable for next year now! Mondays @ LRR for yrs 1&2 and Thursdays @ WR for yrs 3-6. Devised by Emma from Chandos Atelier and delivered by professional makers with years of experience, these are an hour of creative exploration using art materials. Enriching and imaginative, they develop skills and resilience, teaching techniques and methods rather than giving follow-along instructions - perfect for creative kids and art adventurers! https://www.chandosatelier.co.uk/bookings See flyer below about a Christmas Creativity Day on Monday 22nd December.
Music Club	Spaces now open for lunchtime ukulele club & After school guitar club for both St Johns sites (terms 3 & 4). Contact Mr Bee at bristolguitarkids@gmail.com for more info. Hurry as spaces are very popular!!
Christmas through the Keyhole at Redland Church	An interactive trail that gives children a glimpse into the lives of the Nativity characters running at Redland church between Monday 8th December and Saturday 13th December. See flyer at the bottom of the bulletin.
Leave of Absence	Leave of Absence Request Form Please note this needs to be completed 2 weeks before your leave. Absence due to visiting a new school should be reported on Parentmail not on this form.
Parentmail	Please report pupil absence due to illness or medical appointment on Parentmail, follow the link for more information and help downloading the App.



REDLANDCHURCH

CHRISTMAS THROUGH THE KEYHOLE

A free multi-sensory, interactive trail that gives children a glimpse into the lives of the Nativity characters!

RUNNING AT REDLAND CHURCH 8TH-13TH DEC

IMMERSIVE ZONES | CHRISTMAS CRAFTS
REFRESHMENTS | MEET THE NATIVITY CHARACTERS

All the family welcome!

MONDAY 8TH DEC | 3:30PM - 5:30PM
All ages welcome
Last entry 5 pm

TUESDAY 9TH DEC | 10AM - 12PM
Teeny Tiny Session - toddler + pre school ages
Last entry 11am

SATURDAY 13TH DEC | 10AM - 12:30PM
All ages welcome
Last entry 11:30am

FOOD FESTIVAL
12th December

FESTIVE FUN

EYFS – Y2: 16th December
Y3 – Y6: 18th December

Roast Turkey & Stuffing (Halal option available)

Or

Roasted Vegetable, Cranberry & Cheese Puff Pastry Wreath

With

Roasties, Yorkshire Pudding, Christmas Vegetable Medley and Gravy

Rudolph's Nose Cookie

Or

Christmas Shortbread



Chandos Atelier's

Xmas Creativity Day



Mon December 22nd ~ 10.30-3pm ~ Ages 7+

A large wooden Christmas tree and a hand-made cushioned bauble to design, paint and decorate. Plus plenty of options for card making, label printing and other sparkly, Christmassy delights!

'My daughter absolutely LOVES Christmas and this was the perfect way for her to get in to the festive spirit - it's always so creative at Chandos Atelier!'

www.chandosatelier.co.uk/bookings/p/christmas

77TH REDLAND PARK SCOUTS

Christmas Tree Sale

At Redland Park United Reform Church
Sat 29th Nov & 6th Dec (9:00–14:00)
13th Dec (13:00–16:00)
Order online or buy on the day.



Order online at
77thbristolscoutgroup.co.uk/christmas-trees/





The Prime Thinkers' Club

- **TUESDAYS from 3:15 to 4:30 pm in the Sunshine Room.**

- Creative maths group sessions with low adult-to-child ratios
- Focused, fun and engaging learning environment
- Aligned with the St John's curriculum
- For Key Stage 2 children (Years 3-6)
- Run by experienced teachers Mrs. Swithinbank and Mr. Amarshi
- Pick up after the session at the bottom gate - please inform us if your child can walk home alone or is going to SHINE on the booking form.

Term 3 Booking:

Please book using only this QR Code by January 3rd:



Once you have completed this QR Code we will then email you directly to confirm your child's place.

- **Previous members** - please kindly do not make payment until your child's place has been confirmed by email.
- **New members** - we will send through payment details with your confirmation email.

Dates club will run in Term 3:

- Tuesday 6th of January
- Tuesday 13th of January
- Tuesday 20th of January
- Tuesday 27th of January
- Tuesday 3rd of February
- **Tuesday 10th of February - NO CLUB DUE TO PARENT/CARER MEETINGS**

Cost per term - £60 (£12 per session)