



# Robert Piggott CE Federation Newsletter

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It is hard to believe that there is only just one month to go until Christmas time! The Autumn term has some of the busiest weeks in the schools' calendars, but the festivities always provide a great opportunity to enjoy the close relationships we have with our school families and the wider community around us. Our key dates have been updated with pantomimes, nativities, carol singing, Christmas lunches and so much more festiveness.

We are always grateful for the amazing work that the PTA do for our schools. Next weekend is one of the biggest events of their calendar year when they will be hosting our Christmas Fayre at the Junior School from 1-4pm. Admission is free and we look forward to seeing lots of your familiar faces at the event.

Whilst we start to enjoy these merry times, it is important to reiterate some housekeeping rules so please do remember the importance of good attendance, completing homework and returning their reading books into school and in good condition. As the weather turns colder, winter bugs become more prevalent in school. Please make sure that if your child falls ill that you follow the guidance from Public Health England, remind them to wash their hands regularly and keep them at home until they are fully recovered.



Opportunities to gather together for reflection and worship are the lifeblood of a church school. Both schools held services to commemorate the men and women who gave their lives for their country. Reverend David Chislett, led assemblies at both schools. The Junior assembly was attended by Michael Simpson, a war veteran who spoke about his experiences. The children read poems, led their school community in prayers and displayed the poppy artwork which had been completed in both schools.



In keeping with our School ethos and vision, we wish to donate to the community. The School Council are keen to continue our tradition of supporting The Salvation Army's Christmas Present Appeal. Every year, we hold a gift giving ceremony at the Infant School and this year is no different. The Salvation Army will come in on Monday 8th December in the morning and collect the gifts. There will soon be a video explaining why it's so important to support others at Christmas time on the School Council page of our website. Gifts should be brought in to the Infant School on the morning of Monday 8th December (gift ideas can be found on The Salvation Army's website [here](#)). Presents should be unwrapped but with a label outlining the age the present would suit and if it's for a boy or a girl. We hope you will support us in this great cause.



We are sure you can all remember how excited you were as children at school on the day that the apparatus was out in the hall for PE and Poplar and Robin's class were very much the same recently for their lesson.



**Christmas Fayre**

**SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 1-4PM**  
**ROBERT PIGGOTT JUNIOR SCHOOL**

**Santa's Grotto, BBQ, Mulled Wine,  
£1,000's Worth of Prizes, Festive  
Stalls**

## Attendance

Infant School 97.4%  
Junior School 96.5%  
Attendance expectation 96%

The attendance for both schools has been improving and with your help and support we can maintain above the expectation. Should your child drop below 90% you will be notified by the School leadership team.

A letter from the local authority has been shared today, about the transition of pupils from Infant Year 2 to Junior School Year 3 in September 2026. You must apply for your child's Year 3 place using this [link](#). Applications are open now and close on 15th January 2026.

Wokingham Borough Council is currently consulting on its proposed school admission arrangements for the 2027/2028 academic year. The consultation is now live and we are seeking views from all relevant stakeholders.

The consultation documents and details on how to respond can be found here:

<https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/admissions-consultation-2027-2028>

We would be grateful if schools could share this link with parents and carers via your usual communication channels to ensure families have the opportunity to review the proposals and provide feedback.

The consultation will remain open until 15 December 2025, and all responses are welcomed to help shape fair and effective admission arrangements across the borough.

# AUTUMN DATES

## NOVEMBER

- 18th Maths workshop for Year 2-4 parents at Juniors
- 19th Phase 2 to Piggott School
- 21st 8.30am Infant sibling & individual photographs
- 21st Woodpeckers Class Worship 2.30pm parents invited
- 25th Smartphone Free Workshop 7.15pm parents invited
- 26th PTA AGM 7.30pm at Junior School
- 28th Poplar Class Worship 2.30pm parents invited
- 29th PTA Christmas Fair

- 1st Year 4, 5 & 6 Games Festival by invitation
- 4th Breakdance show 8am to Junior club parents
- 4th Year 6 pupils to Starlight Express
- 5th Infant Craft morning & Tree Decorating Assembly
- 5th Advent Window
- 8th Infant Salvation Army Gift Assembly
- 9th Infants to see The Comet at Norden Farm
- 10th 10am Year 4 Violin performance
- 12th 8am School Council
- 12th PTA/Doves Class Cake Sale
- 15th 2pm Infant Nativity (toddlers & young children welcome)
- 15th Juniors Interhouse Carol Competition
- 16th 9.30am Infant Nativity 2 adults per child welcome
- 16th Junior Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner
- 16th 6pm Carol Service at St Mary's Church
- 17th Juniors to see Mother Goose at South Hill Park
- 17th Infant Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner
- 17th Reports sent home
- 18th Infant Christingle Assembly in school
- 18th Infant Santa Live Read
- 18th End of Term 1.20pm Juniors/1.30pm Infants

## DECEMBER

IN AID OF  
YELDALL MANOR & ST MARY'S CHURCH

# CHRISTMAS ON MILL GREEN

TREE LIGHTING  
SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER  
4PM - 6PM

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES  
BRACELET MAKING, PAINT YOUR OWN TREE DECORATIONS,  
BISCUIT DECORATING, GLITTER TATTOOS

CAROL SINGING, CHRISTMAS RAFFLE  
HOT CHOCOLATE, MINCE PIES & MUSIC

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Saturday 13th December 7pm



Once Upon a  
Winter Wish

Queen Anne's Theatre,  
6 Henley Road, RG4 6DX  
A fairytale dance production for the family!

Book Now

<https://stagestubs.com/dproductions/once-upon-a-winter-wish>

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## WeKey

Group Piano Club

Exciting Piano Groups Every Wednesday!

• **When:** Wednesdays Lunchtime, 12:00-12:30/12:30-13:00

• **Where:** At Robert Piggott CE Infant School – Spaces Available

• **Affordable Price:** Just £10.50 per 30 minute lesson.

Additional availability for individual piano lessons (£20 per 20 minute individual lesson)

### Why Choose WeKey?

- **Personalised Learning:** Inspire students by teaching piano fundamentals through their favourite songs and musical interests. We take musical requests - our teachers can figure out songs just by listening!
- **Collaborative Learning:** Benefit from group performances, collaborative playing, engaging musical games, and request-based activities to enhance connectivity.
- **Dedicated Instruments:** Each student has their own keyboard during lessons.
- **Highly Qualified Teachers:** Lessons led by passionate, experienced educators. Your teacher **Mohan Evans** - Professional pianist / singer songwriter, from a family of famous musicians.
- **Weekly Practice Emails:** Receive weekly emails featuring music-of-the-week and practical tips for at-home practice.
- **Engaging and Fun:** We make learning piano exciting, accessible, and enjoyable, fostering a lifelong love of music.

🎵 Join Us Today!

Ignite your child's creativity, build confidence, and let their musical journey begin!

📍 Sign Up or Learn More:

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👤 Meet Our teachers:

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## Norden Farm

Centre for the Arts, Maidenhead

### The Comet Art Competition

Your chance to turn on the Maidenhead Christmas lights!

Enter our art competition for the chance to win a goody bag containing 4 tickets to a family show in Spring 2026 and some art goodies.

One winner will be selected from each age group. The overall winner will be invited to help turn on the Christmas Lights at Maidenhead Town Hall on Saturday 22 November!

Entries will be displayed at Norden Farm from Tuesday 25 November - Saturday 3 January.

### How to Enter

Create your own artwork images inspired by The Comet:

- Draw or paint a comet soaring across the sky in your hometown
- Draw or paint a cosy room for Nyla, Dad and Fig the cat

Entries will be judged in two age groups: 3 - 5 years and 6 - 8 years.

All entries must be submitted on the attached entry form.

**On the back of your entry form please ensure you have written:**

School name  
Child's name  
Child's age  
Parent / Guardian name  
Contact phone number  
Contact email address

Please send your entries to Norden Farm Centre for the Arts, Altwood Road, Maidenhead, SL6 4PF or drop them in to our Box Office team (Tuesdays - Saturdays).

The deadline for entries is Monday 17 November at 12pm. Winners will be contacted by Wednesday 19 November.

(Only entries received by the deadline will be entered into the competition and displayed)