

29th	9.00am	Advent service for children now online
December		
2nd	11am	New Intake Open meeting online
3rd	All day	Non uniform day in aid of tombola prizes for FOFS Christmas Fair
6th	9am	Advent service for children online
8th	2pm	EYFS and KS1 Nativity in St Johns Church (Dress Rehearsal)
	5.30pm	EYFS and KS1 Nativity in St Johns Church
10th	3.30pm—5.30pm	Christmas Fair FOFS on Playground
10th	All day	Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children
15th		Christmas Dinner Day
16th		Christmas party—Non uniform Day Party Clothes
17th	2pm	Carol Service in St Johns Church lead by Phoenix Class
		Break up
19th	Evening	Carols by Candlelight Service at St Johns Church
20th—3rd January		Christmas Holidays
Term 3		
January 2022		
4th	All day	INSET Day
5th		Children return
5th	Am	Yr 6 Life Skills trip
5th	9.45am	New starter Sept 2022 meeting
15th	All day	Application deadlines for new starter Sept 2022

This year's term dates are also shown below.

PLEASE NOTE: The LA have informed all maintained schools that the summer term shall end one day earlier than originally advertised, on Thursday 21st July 2022. This is due to the additional Bank Holiday in June which falls in the May Half Term break. Please make a note of this in your calendars.

INSET Days

Tuesday 4th January 2022

Monday 6th June 2022

Newsletter

Message from the Head Teacher

The weeks are flying and we are all starting to get ready for the festive season in school. Those in EYFS and KS1 have been practising the **nativity** which will now be performed to parents and carers on 8th December in the Church. There is a [form to complete here](#) to request tickets if you are a parent of a child in the performance. We need to keep numbers attending the performance to a minimum and so 2 tickets per child/ family will be allocated. Thanks to those who have already been in touch to make a request. Those with younger siblings are able to bring them to see the show.

There is a separate form to complete to give permission for your child to be filmed in the nativity. This can [be found here](#). It is important we have permission (or not) for all children. This recording will then be shown to the children in school and shared with families for those who are unable to attend.



New Build I was very excited to be invited to the new build site for our future school last week. The ground works are complete with insulation having been installed. The batons for each of the internal walls have been fitted and the timber frame was due to be delivered yesterday. Please also see the article from Jason who is the BAM Project Manager on the following page. There is also information on some date to visit the site and have a look for yourselves.



If anyone has any **Christmas jumpers** that they no longer need we would be grateful for the donations. If we collect enough then we will hold a sale to raise money for equipment for the children. Please give any donations to the class teachers. Thank you to those who have already handed some in. Much appreciated.

FOFS Christmas Fair The FOFS would appreciate any help from parents to set up for the Christmas Fair on Friday 10th December on the KS 2 playground. Any help from 1.30pm is appreciated. Help includes setting up, running stalls and supporting with the big tidy up at the end. If anyone has any gazebos and battery/ solar lights that they can borrow please let them know. To get in touch email: friendsoffrenchayschool@gmail.com

FOFS Non Uniform Day 3rd December Please wear your own clothes in exchange for a donation towards the raffle or tombola. Festive goods such as drink, food and toiletries are ideal. Thank you.

Congratulations to Alife M whose Christmas Art work was selected for the **Dolce** competition. Well done Alfie.

New Primary School Project Update

We are very grateful to Jason and his construction team for working so closely with FRA to keep the community informed. Here is an update from Jason:

BAM and our groundworks contractor GWorks have completed the concrete base to the entire footprint of the new school building. We greatly appreciate the support you have given our construction teams working onsite, and the interest you have shown in the construction process, with many of you stopping to have a look through our site entrance gates and often speaking with members of the site team.

Invitation to visit our site.

*To complement this healthy interest in the project, BAM would like to offer an open invitation for a tour around the new school construction project on **Thursday 16th December 2021**. The BAM site team will escort members of the public around the new school construction site, showing you the timber frame structure that will form the overall shape of the building and create the internal teaching spaces.*

BAM will provide four tours each starting at specific times to help accommodate everyone's varying availability. The times of each tour will be: 14:30, 15:00, 15:30 and 16:00. We do hope many of you will be able to join the BAM team on Thursday 16th to see the new school during construction phase and enjoy a small festive treat of mince pies.

Jason Cisneros | Project Manager | BAM Construction Ltd



Worship — Pause for Thought

This term we are focusing on the value of **Compassion**. Please find below the questions that we shall be thinking about as part of our worship. It would be great to talk about them at home too.

Next week: Can you think of a time when you showed compassion?



In Dragon Class we have been continuing to learn all about our topic: What happened before the year zero? We have been very lucky and excited to be able to go on a trip to Stonehenge yesterday where we discovered lots of amazing facts about the site and why it was built.



In class, we have been learning about the different types of houses in the Neolithic period and had a go at building our own models using clay and other materials (photos). We also travelled back in time to the Iron Age to act as tour guides as well as creating our own Stone Age-Iron Age menus using our research on the different foods available in the different times.

IRON AGE	
APPETIZER Vegetable soup Nettles, mushroom And ocarrots	DRINKS Mint tea Boiled water (with fire) And the herb, mint honey and berry smoothie strawberry, raspberry or blueberry with honey and fresh walnuts Water Fresh still or sparkling water from the river
FIRST COURSE A bowl of porridge With strawberries and blueberries garnished on top	
MAIN COURSE Eggs on flat bread with chicken or duck and black pudding (optional)	
DESSERT Wild berry porridge with honey	

In our music lessons with Mr Davis we have been learning a wide selection of songs on the ukulele, as well as getting to have a turn on the double bass. Our skills playing multiple chords are developing and we have been learning how to switch between chords during a song. We are getting ready to perform these next Tuesday (a link for the performance will be shared with parents).

In our Science lessons we have been learning about evolution and inheritance. We have learned about inherited characteristics and have conducted experiments to find out about Darwin's finches and adaptation. We have been using our Science lessons to make links to our RE topic on Creation: Conflicting or Complementary? There has been some excellent discussions surrounding this topic.





	Before School	After school	After school
Monday			Football Progressive Sports Multi Sports Gruffalo and Griffin
Tuesday			
Wednesday		Craft Club—Mrs Pinner and Miss Pickering	Netball club KS2 —Miss Padden
Thursday	STEM – Robotics Griffin Class 8.00am – 8.50am Year 3&4		
Friday	STEM – Robotics Phoenix Class 8.00am – 8.50am Year 5&6	KS 2 Street Dance 3.30 – 4.30 Hall	Football Progressive Sports Gruffalo and Griffin Dragon and Phoenix

Club Contact Information	Contact Details
Impact Dance (Street Dance)	Email: Impactdance@yahoo.com
<u>Progressive Sports</u>	Email: M.quirke@progressive-sports.co.uk Phone: 01889 228033
<u>STEM Factory</u>	Email: Thestemfactory@gmail.com



WINTERBOURNE ACADEMY

Christmas Market



Saturday 27th November 2021

11am to 3pm

Winterborne Academy

High Street, Winterbourne,
Main/Front Entrance

**£1 entry includes free raffle
ticket - children go free**

A great festive, family day out. Everyone Welcome. Eat at our Pop-up Christmas Cafe and chat with friends, do some Christmas shopping with our local crafters and traders, enjoy the games and entertainment while helping raise money for the Charity Winterbourne Academy PTA.

