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## Newsletter

Friday 3rd December

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are heading towards the last two weeks of term running up to Christmas. We have some lovely Covid friendly Christmas activities planned which you should have all received information about yesterday. The Christmas activities are gathering pace in class today; the tinsel, fairy lights and baubles are beginning to adorn the classrooms..... no doubt the glitter will follow very soon!



You will see today that our Christmas Tree is up outside (a little later than planned). We have made an initial start on the decorations, but really we would like the children to decorate it, so do encourage your children to make a decoration at home or choose one in a shop that they would like to hang on it. When you are ready just hang your decoration on a free branch at drop off or pick up.

Yesterday 20 children from Nursery and Reception attended a 'Carols by Candlelight' event at University College. There were several other schools from East Oxford at the event too. Each school sung a couple of carols. University College choir also performed festive songs for us and then everyone joined together to sing Christmas Carols at the end. It was a lovely event and despite the cold, our Comper children sang their hearts out. They performed Jingle Bells with bells to accompany and We wish you a Merry Christmas with Makaton signs too. The Comper Children were the youngest children performing but they certainly made an impression, receiving a huge round of applause at the end of their performance.



### Staffing



We're very pleased to welcome Keanne Gardner back from maternity leave. Some of you may know Keanne from Daycare where she used to be deputy lead before she became a Mum. She is an experienced Early Years Professional. She has joined the Nursery team Tuesdays - Fridays.

### Winter Bugs

There are lots of bugs around at the moment as well as Covid. We have talked to the children about the importance of good hand hygiene today and putting tissues in a covered bin in school. For more advice about how to keep your family healthy this winter and important information from the NHS about some common childhood illnesses at the moment, please visit our website and click on the 'Health and Wellbeing' tab. Website: <http://www.comper.org.uk/web>

Best wishes,

Catherine King



## Term Dates



### Term 2

Monday 1st November - Friday 17th December

### Term 3

#### School Closed

Monday 3rd - Bank Holiday

Tuesday 4th - INSET DAY

#### School Opens

Wednesday 5th January –Friday 18th February

### Term 4

Monday 28th February - Friday 8th April

### Term 5

Monday 25th April - Friday 27th May

### Term 6

Tuesday 7th June - Thursday 21st July

# THANK YOU!

**To the Oxford Sea Cadets for so generously donating a Christmas Tree to Comper.**

If you are buying a Christmas tree this year, do go and find the Sea Cadets at the end of Meadow Lane near Donnington Bridge. Beautiful Christmas trees, lights and decorations!



**Oxford Sea Cadets Christmas Trees**  
The tree that gives

## REMINDER

### Last Day of Term

**Friday 17th December**

**School will close at 1pm for Reception children.**

**The school gates shut at 9am so learning can start.**

**Please ensure your child is in class by 9am.**



### The next two weeks:

Event	Date	Timings
Christmas Jumper Day	10.12.21	All day
Bedtime Story Event	13.12.21	4.30-5.30pm
Reception Christmas sing along to parents	14.12.21	2.30pm
Daycare/Nursery Christmas parties	14.12.21	AM & PM
Christmas Lunch	15.12.21	
Reception Panto at Pegasus Theatre	16.12.21	1pm
Nursery Christmas sing-along to parents	16.12.21	11am
Reception Christmas Party	17.12.21	AM