

# Newsletter

w/c 8th December 2025—No.13



Sun 07/12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10.30 Tibberton Church Christingle Service—all welcome—refreshments afterwards</li> </ul>
Mon 08/12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food Bank donations—all week</li> <li>Breakfast Club Nov Bills due today</li> <li>Post Box Available in foyer</li> <li>School Trip—sandwiches at lunch</li> </ul>
Tues 09/12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Raffle tickets &amp; monies return</li> <li>YR &amp; Y1 Woodland Work</li> <li>Last Drumming Club 3.15-4 pm</li> <li>Drumming Performance 3.45 pm for parents</li> </ul>
Weds 10/12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UU Woodland Work</li> <li>Order lunches -12 am for w/c 15/12 inc Christmas Dinner (17/12)</li> </ul>
Thurs 11/12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2.15 &amp; 5.30 pm Christmas Concert—don't forget tickets/head gear</li> </ul>
Fri 12/12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3pm Deadline to book Breakfast with Santa on 17/12</li> </ul>

A huge thank you to our hardworking Friends PTA who ran a wonderful Christmas Bazaar yesterday. It was lovely to see everyone enjoying themselves with lovely bakes, drinks, crafts, games and more! So much organisation and hard work goes into events like this and not only does it raise lots of money for the children, it does this by giving the children fantastic experiences. As I type this newsletter, Mrs Dickens is working with all the children in school to make Christingle Candles for our family Church Service at 10.30am on Sunday. I hope that you can join us for this lovely event. Thank you Mrs Dickens! Next week we will enjoy our panto visit, our Christmas Carol Concerts (please support us with the children attending both concerts) and then we will be into our last week of term! Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the Victorian Fayre.  
Mr Gromski and the team.



## Maths Homework

We are using new maths homework books this year. Please see the box below each week that will tell you which pages of the maths homework book each class needs to complete.

Lower Unit – Year 1	48-50
Middle Unit – Year 1	35-38
Middle Unit – Year 2	39-41
Upper Unit – Year 3	36-38
Upper Unit – Year 4	37-39

## Christmas Concert 11/12—Remember your Tickets!

The rear doors to the hall will be open to parents at 2.00 pm. Please enter the school by the side gate to the right of the building, not through reception. Parents may take children home following the concert if it finishes slightly earlier than 3.15 pm. For those parents not attending the 2.15 pm concert, the normal school dismissal time of 3.15 pm will apply and we will see you for collection as usual. Please make sure other family members are aware. Staff will be returning to school at 5.10 pm to help children get ready for the 5.30pm concert. The school will be locked until this time. Please do not arrive before 5.10 pm. Please bring children to the main reception area, we will then ask parents to make their way to the hall via the side entrance. Children should wear school uniform and festive headgear, just like they did for Cluster Carols. Please bring your Santa hats, reindeer antlers, angel halo's and deely boppers. The Speed the Plough Car Park will have a Pizza Van on site from 4pm so please park courteously so that the pub customers are unaffected.

## Lunch Menu for next term

The lunch menu for next term is now available to book on ParentPay. Deadline to order lunches for w/c 05/01/2026 is midnight on 31/12/2025—New Years Eve—don't leave it until then though!

### Panto 8/12

On Monday 8/12, the whole school will visit the Panto. Children will return for a later than normal lunch. Sandwiches will be the only lunch option on this day—or plan to provide your own packed lunch. Please ensure your child has a warm coat, it can be cold in the theatre, and a water bottle.

### Raffle Tickets 9/12

Please ensure all raffle ticket stubs, unsold tickets and monies are returned to the school office by today to comply with lottery rules and to give the PTA folding time for the concert where the raffle will be drawn.

### UU Woodland Work 10/12

UU Should come to school in warm, waterproof Woodland Work clothes on 10/12. Please wear school shoes and bring wellies in a bag to change into.

### Drumming Performance 9/12

At 3.45 pm until 4 pm on 9/12—there will be a drumming performance in the school hall for parents, from the children that have taken part in the after school drumming club.

### LU Waterproof Overalls

Next week I am going to send home any waterproof trousers, that have been brought into school for woodland work from home. Please keep these at home in future. The children are finding putting on the full waterproof suits very difficult and need a member of staff to support them. They also struggle to get their coat under the waterproof suit from home, meaning they are feeling cold. We have plenty of waterproof dungarees and overalls in school, that are easier for the children to put on independently. They wear their coat under these, so please make sure the coat you send can get muddy. There is no need to supply your own waterproof overalls in future—thank you.



## Dates for the Diary (updates in red)

- Sunday 7th December—Tibberton Church Christingle Service 10.30 am all welcome—date change
- Monday 8th December—Whole School Panto—Sandwich Lunch Option only—details sent 06/11
- **Tuesday 9th December—(Last) Drumming Club performance for Parents 3.45-4.00pm**
- Tuesday 9th December—Raffle tickets unsold, monies & stubs deadline for return to school office
- Thursday 11th December— 2.15pm and 5.30pm Carol Concert for parents
- Friday 12th December—Deadline for booking "breakfast with Santa" on 17/12 @7.45 am
- Wednesday 17th December—Whole School Christmas Dinner, Breakfast with Santa, Party day
- Thursday 18th December—Gifts for Loved Ones—children need £2 to purchase 2 gifts (£1 each)
- Thursday 18th December—Break up for Christmas 3.15 pm
- Friday 19th December—Inset day—children not in school
- Monday 5th January—Inset day—Children not in school
- Tuesday 6th January—Children return to school at 8.45 am
- Thursday 15th January— 11.59 pm deadline to apply for Y5 & Reception school places for 2026
- Monday 26th January—Reading Afternoon—details tbc
- Monday 26th January—Movie Night 5-7 pm—details tbc
- **Sunday 31st January—3rd Instalment for Y4 Pioneer due today**
- Friday 15th May—Y4 Bikeability
- Wednesday 6th May—Friday 8th May—Y4 Residential
- Thursday 7th May—Y3 Outwards Bounds Day—details tbc

### Christmas Post Box

From Monday 8th December, our Christmas Post Box will be available in the foyer for children wishing to post Christmas cards to their school friends and staff. This is a much loved and anticipated part of the festive season at Tibberton, which the children thoroughly enjoy.

Classes take turns to empty and sort the post and make the Christmas deliveries. The dates for this year are:

Thursday 11th December—Upper Unit

Friday 12th December—Lower Unit

Monday 15th December—Middle Unit

Tuesday 16th December—a final delivery by Upper Unit

Please ensure that envelopes are addressed with the recipient's name and class and the initial of the child's surname to avoid the card going to the wrong child.

**A list of children first names and Surname initial will be displayed on the door in the school foyer by the office window if you need to come and make a note.**





**THANK YOU  
FOR MAKING  
OUR  
CHRISTINGLES!**



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# Tibberton Church Christingle Service

10:30am on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Please support the Children's Society by returning the attached Christingle Donation Candle, filled with any spare change you have, by Friday 1st December. Thank you.



Please join us as at our annual Christingle Church service.

Each year the children all love making Christingle candles with Mrs Dickens in school, these are handed out and used at our Sunday service. This is a lovely family focussed occasion to send out a message of hope into the world.

Did you know that Christingle celebrations are named after the Christingles that are lit during the ceremony? Christingles are oranges wrapped in red tape, decorated with dried fruit or sweets, with a candle on the top. These represent the four seasons, God's bounty and the light of hope.

Our Christingle collection comes home with the children from school each year. This supports the Children's Society who reach out and help families when they are facing huge life challenges.

We hope to see as many families as possible at Church on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30 See you there!



Dear Michelle,

Thank you for continuing to support Droitwich Spa Foodbank.

Since January we have given out 24,000kg of food and toiletries to over 2500 people. Donations are less than the amount we have distributed, despite a successful Harvest Festival, so we have purchased 40% of this.

Please can you support us this Christmas. A "reverse" advent calendar is attached. We are purchasing all long life food items, toiletries and household essentials, so all donations are welcome. However we can not use out of date food.

We have extra volunteers working on the mornings of Wednesday 10th and Wednesday 17th December.

If you would like us to collect your donations, please email to arrange.

Best Regards



Alison Phillips  
Warehouse Manager  
Droitwich Spa Foodbank

Donation Box in the school foyer,  
please help!



## Reverse Advent Calendar

Please join our appeal for non-perishable food  
You can drop it off at local collection points or  
contact us to arrange collection

 tinned stew	 tinned soup	 tinned fish	 chicken in sauce
 tinned peas	 tinned carrots	 tinned sweetcorn	 tinned potatoes
 tinned fruit	 tinned custard	 rice pudding	 500g cereal box
 long-life milk	 long-life juice	 small jar coffee	 tea bags
 savoury snacks	 packs of biscuits	 chocolate bars	 sponge pudding
 shampoo	 shower gel	 deodorant	 shaving foam

PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE TO VIEW OUR AMAZON WISHLIST  
OR FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA



website: [droitwichspa.foodbank.org.uk](http://droitwichspa.foodbank.org.uk) e: [info@droitwichspa.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@droitwichspa.foodbank.org.uk)  
Registered charity number 1163261; Registered in England and Wales - Tel: 07532 130604

## Christmas Dinner Wednesday 17th December

The normal roast dinner menu will apply that day  
with some seasonal extras like  
sprouts and pigs in blankets & festive pud  
Cost for UU will remain the same  
jackets and sandwiches are still available to book  
Children can wear their festive headgear



## Friends of Tibberton First School Christmas Events 2025

More details to follow in the newsletter & social media but this is an overview of upcoming Christmas events .

**Friday 21st November... Non-Uniform day in exchange for a 'Jumble Jar'.**

Please send your child in non-uniform with a filled jar for the 'Jumble Jar tombola' at the bazaar. Jars can be filled with crafts, Lego, sweets, crayons...anything you think of!

**Christmas Raffle throughout December**

Raffle tickets will come home in book bags for you to purchase. We have some fantastic prizes (see poster).  
Deadline is Tuesday 9th December. Winners will be drawn at the Carol concert on Thursday 11th December.

**Thursday 4th December, 3.15-4.30... Christmas Bazaar**

This is held in the school hall and requires a pre-paid ticket costing £5 which allows access to crafts, games, tombola, hot chocolate and a prize. Extra stalls, Christmas jumper sale and refreshments are there so bring some cash too!

**Friday 5th December...Non-uniform day in exchange for 2 'Gifts for loved ones'**

Please send your child in non-uniform with 2 gifts to be collected at the school gate. Gifts can be chocolate, bath sets, socks, stationery, or other small gifts. No alcohol or out of date items please. These male & female gifts will form the "Gifts for loved ones shop" on the last day of term.

**Wednesday 17th December, 7.45...Breakfast with Santa**

Children, siblings and families are all invited to join us for the return of our breakfast meet & great. Order forms are sent home allowing you to pay for adult sausage sandwiches and hot drinks. Children have cereals, toast, juice and a gift.  
Booking deadline is Friday 12th December.

**Thursday 18th December... 'Gifts for loved ones' shop**

Please send children in with £2 to buy their 2 gifts for loved ones. Volunteers will be available to help children pick, wrap and make a label for their gifts to go under your tree.

Children may also come to school wearing their Christmas jumpers on the last day.





**Attendance**  
w/c 01/12/25

LU	MU	UU
97.6%	95%	97.6%

**Congratulations to all our children who received awards this week!**



# Our amazing Christmas fete...





**Thank you so much to our amazing PTA, for organising such a fantastic Christmas fete.**



**Thank you to all our families for coming along and enjoying the fun!**





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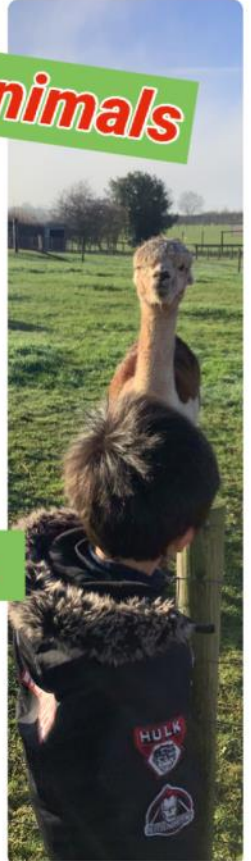
# Christmas Trip



**LU 2025**



**Animals**



**Father Christmas**



**Playing**



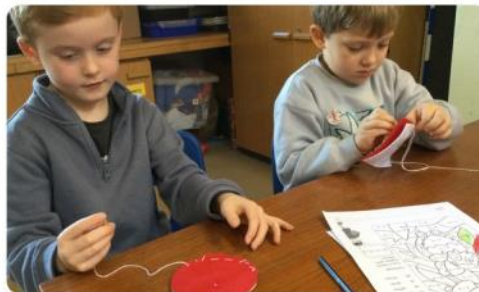
**Craft**



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**WE'VE MADE OUR  
DECORATIONS... IT WAS  
GREAT! GO AND SEE THEM  
AT THE CATHEDRAL.  
A HUGE THANK YOU TO  
EVERYONE WHO HELPED!  
WE ARE SO PROUD!**





**Communication**



**Respect!**



**UU team building at RGS!**



**Resilience!**



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**Trampoline workshop at Westacre!**



# Steel drumming workshop at Westacre!



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Wednesday 17th December at 7.45

# Breakfast -with- Santa!

Santa would love all of the children to join him in the school for breakfast at 7.45am (siblings not at Tibberton welcome).

Breakfast will be served at 8.00am and will include toast, cereals and juice. Santa will bring them a small gift when he visits!

Child cost £5.00

Adults can attend & order a sausage sandwich & drink for **£3.50** or just a drink for **£1.50** (veggie available)

To reserve a place, please fill in the form below and hand into the school office with payment.

There will be no standard breakfast club on this day so, if your child usually attends you will need to book a place via this form. Mrs Adams will not charge for this day.

Name of child.....

Name of adult(s).....

Adult sausage sandwich + drink quantity..... Adult veggie sandwich + drink quantity.....

Adult hot drink ONLY quantity .....

Specific dietary requirements or allergies.....

Total amount enclosed/ bank transfer £.....



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ADMISSIONS  
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# Starting School in September 2026?

- If you live in Worcestershire  
**and**
- Your child was born between  
**1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022.**

You need to apply for a school place by **15th January 2026.**

For more information and to apply, visit:

**[www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions)**

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# Transferring to Middle School in September 2026?

- If you live in Worcestershire  
**and**
- Your child is in their final year at First School.

You need to apply for a school place by **15th January 2026**.

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