



WEST KIDLINGTON NEWS

Dear Families

At the time of writing this newsletter the children are filling the school hall for a Pantomime. There is a buzz and lots of excited children. Thank you so much to the Friends group who have raised funds to provide this experience. I will share some photos of Snow White next week!

Next week we will have lots of Year 6 children arriving to school with bikes, they are working on road safety. It could be particularly busy.

I am looking forward to welcoming some Families to St.Mary's Church on Monday evening next week. This year the school will only have about 50 children returning for the service.

What to do if you have concerns about a child

If you have any concerns about a child relating to Safeguarding, please get in touch with one of our Safeguarding Team immediately by contacting the school directly on 01865 373369.

If you have an URGENT concern about a child, please call MASH on 0345 050 7666.

Reception Places

Please visit <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/schools/apply-school-place/reception-applications> to apply.

The deadline for applications is 15th January 2026. If you miss the deadline, your application will be processed later in the year and you are far less likely to get a place at one of your preferred schools.

We have our annual Christmas Jumper Day on Wednesday 10th December. If your child would like to wear one to school then they would be very welcome!

Important Dates

Bikeability Training for Y6 children - 8th - 11th December

KS2 Church Performance - St Mary's Church Kidlington, OX5 2BA - Monday 8th December (6-6.30pm)

Christmas School Lunch and Christmas Jumper day - Wednesday 10th December

School Raffle Prize Draw, Cake Sale and Garden Plant Sale - Wednesday 10th December

Nursery and Reception Performance - Tuesday 16th December 9.15am

DT work celebration - Wednesday 17th December 3.15pm, Families welcome

KS1 Christmas Performance for Families - Wednesday 17th December 9.30am

KS1 Christmas Performance for Families - Thursday 18th December 2.30pm

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Thank you for supporting the School Poppy Appeal. West Kidlington PS raised an impressive £272.65. The British Legion wrote to the school and thanked us.



Family oracy question - What is the best gift you have ever received?

Autism & ADHD: Strategies To Improve Sleep

Join us for our free webinar.

[Register now](#)



We know how important sleep is in your child's routine. That's why we're hosting a free webinar with Helen Rutherford, Specialist Sleep Practitioner from The Sleep Charity.

Supporting parents & carers

 Date: Wednesday 17th December

 Time: 10am - 11am

In this webinar, Helen will explore:

- ✓ What happens when children sleep, including how it supports their learning, behaviour, and development, and how this knowledge helps you choose strategies that truly make a difference.
- ✓ Why general advice isn't always enough in supporting your neurodivergent child, and how you can adapt strategies to their needs.
- ✓ Practical take-away strategies to help your child build healthy, lasting sleep habits.

Register Your Free Place

Helen Rutherford, Specialist Sleep Practitioner from The Sleep Charity

Helen Rutherford has been a Specialist Sleep Practitioner since 2016. Her professional practice has focused on working with children who have additional needs. Her experience now extends into a fourth decade. She has a breadth of experience including management and leadership roles. These have included time as a Portage service manager (a home visiting educational service for preschool children with special educational needs and disability) and Family Liaison Officer on the staff of a special educational needs school in Worcestershire.



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