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Dear Parents,

We are almost at the end of Term 2 and we are getting very excited about Christmas in school. The Reception children put on their Nativity shows today and they were filmed - we should be able to share the videos with parents by the end of next week.

After Christmas we will be extending the children's bubbles to year group bubbles rather than class bubbles. The children will still be working in their classes during lesson time but at breaktimes and lunchtimes children will be able to mix with children from the parallel class. This decision has been taken firstly to allow children to socialise with other friends at playtimes and secondly to allow us to serve hot meals again. I have rewritten the school risk assessment which is available on the school website and I am happy to discuss any concerns that parent may have. Please feel free to get in touch by phone or email if you have any questions.

Mrs Pike has sent out information yesterday about Christmas events. I know how confusing it can be at this time of year with jumper days and parties. Just to clarify:

Monday 14th	Parties for Lime, Cherry, Pear, Plum, Holly, Juniper and Willow Classes	Children can wear their <b>party clothes</b> to school for the day (please make sure your child(ren) will be warm enough and that footwear is suitable for a day at school)
Tuesday 15th	Parties for <b>Rowan, Beech,</b> Chestnut, Maple, Elm, Ash and Oak	Children can wear their <b>party clothes</b> to school for the day (please make sure your child(ren) will be warm enough and that footwear is suitable for a day at school)
Thursday 17th	PTA Christmas Jumper Day Whole school singing on the field	Children can wear a <b>Christmas jumper</b> to school. Please send in a 'gold coin' with your child as a donation towards the PTA. Children can wear a <b>Christmas hat/hairband or tinse</b> l while we all join to sing Christmas songs together.

Mrs J Woolley Headteacher



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#### **Cherry and Lime Nativity**

The children in Cherry and Lime classes performed their Nativity plays this morning in front of a socially distanced audience for the first time! They all sang so well and both plays were fantastic! We had the usual hiccups with wonky head dresses and teachers getting the lyrics wrong - good job the children knew what they were doing! Thanks to Katie Rowlett who kindly recorded the shows so the Reception parents can watch virtually U We can't wait to show the performances to the children's grown ups!







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#### Forest School update

We were delighted to support one of our children today at forest school, Nuala from Plum class is trying to achieve her green blue Peter badge and has planted a beautiful tree at forest school. Good luck with your green badge Nuala!

#### "Winter coat for every child" - supporting families

If your little ones have grown out of the coat they wore last year, and you're happy to donate, please bear us in mind. We are supporting a group which is providing winter clothes for children in the most deprived areas. Whether it's a girl or boy one, from reception age up, as long as it can be zipped up or buttoned up, it's warm and without holes, we will find a child (or a parent), who will be extremely grateful to you!!

Many thanks for those who have donated... you still have time to donate adult and children's coats - the box is still in the school reception, just inside the school office door.

#### **Christmas Post**

Please can you remind your children to address their Christmas cards properly so that the Christmas delivery service knows where to send them. The address should include **the first name, surname and class.** 



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#### **Bethlehem** St Marys' Churchyard and Church

Come any time

4-6pm, Tuesday 22nd December4-6pm, Wednesday 23rd December4-6pm, Thursday 24th December

Walk through beautiful scenes, lit up to tell the Christmas Story.

With carols playing, bring all the family to celebrate the coming of Jesus at Christmas, and journey to the candle-lit Nativity.

> All are welcome. Wrap up warm. Children are invited to dress up!

Covid-secure guidelines apply, keeping 2m distance between family groups. Everyone aged 11+ will need to wear a face covering inside the church. Please tell us if you have a medical exemption.



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Tickets are £1 each which enters you to win a host of fabulous prizes; Dyson hairdryer, £100 gift voucher for Henrietta's house, Little Bird photography shoot, £50 Tesco voucher and many more.

Please return completed ticket stubs and payment to your class teacher , the draw will take place on Monday. Due to Covid-19, please ensure all monies and completed tickets are returned to class, in an envelope or a small food bag. Thank you for your

understanding.

If you have any unwanted tickets please return them to your class teacher.

Good luck everyone!!!!

St. Mary's PTFA

#### **PTFA Christmas Competition**

To kick-start our Christmas excitement this year we are running a Christmas activity competition for each key stage.

Everyone had a competition activity in their book bag this week.

If you would like to enter, please return the completed form (with child's name and answer) as well as the £1 entry fee. All entries must be returned by **Friday 11th Decembe**r to take part. Due to Covid-19, please ensure all monies and completed forms are returned to class, in an envelope or a small food bag. Thank you for your understanding.



One child from each year group will receive a prize which will be given out on Christmas lunch day.



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#### Easyfundraising.com



There is only a few weeks to go.... Ho ho ho....

Please remember to use easyfundraising when you do your Christmas shopping this year

(https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarystetbury/).

Over 4,300 shops and sites will donate to our school for FREE when you use easyfundraising to shop with them. This means you can raise donations for the benefit of our children, **at no cost to you**, when you buy anything from decorations and festive food, to gifts and experiences, and much more!

Follow this easy guide to get started:

https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Sn2dsQGAe\_w

You can also install the Donation Reminder to give you an alert whenever you visit a shop or site that donates. You can then activate the donation in one click! It's completely FREE, please install it now to make sure you never miss a donation! <u>https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/donation-reminder/</u>

Easyfundraising is a great way for family and friends to support the school as well.





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Tetbury Lions	TETBURY LIONS CHRISTMAS TREASURE HUNT Twelve of our lion cubs are hiding in Tetbury shop windows with the Christmas presents below. Can you find all 12 and write in the spaces where you found them? Make sure you take Mum or Dad with you on the treasure hunt.
00	1 A PARTRIDGE IN A PEAR TREE 2 TWO TURTLE DOVES
	3 THREE FRENCH HENS
	4 FOUR CALLING BIRDS
	5 FIVE GOLD RINGS
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Christmas Treasure num	8 EIGHT MAIDS MILKING
mreally and	9 NINE LADIES DANCING
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	11 ELEVEN PIPERS PIPING 12 TWELVE DRUMMERS DRUMMING
	WHEN YOU HAVE FOUND THE 12 LION CUBS COLOUR THE FICTURE FROM FROZEN
The Tetbury Lion cubs will be	BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRY
visiting the windows of twelve of the	I PRIZE
town's shops this December.	Stocking full of
Each of the cubs will be holding one	Christmas goodies
of the traditional gifts of the "12	Entry form
Days of Christmas" song.	NAME AGE*
	SCHOOL/CLUB
Find them all to win a special	CONTACT No.
Christmas stocking full of goodies.	*Competition open to 4-11 years
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The Tetbury Lions Christmas Treasure Hunt is a free competition open to all children with a Tetbury address or attend a Tetbury school, aged 4 years to 11. The competition runs from 1<sup>st</sup> December. Entries will be accepted on the Lions entry form only, available from participating stores or your playgroup or school. Deadline for bringing into school is **Monday** 14<sup>th</sup> December. A special Christmas stocking will be awarded to a boy and a girl with the correct answers and the best colouring challenge. Judges decidion will be final.



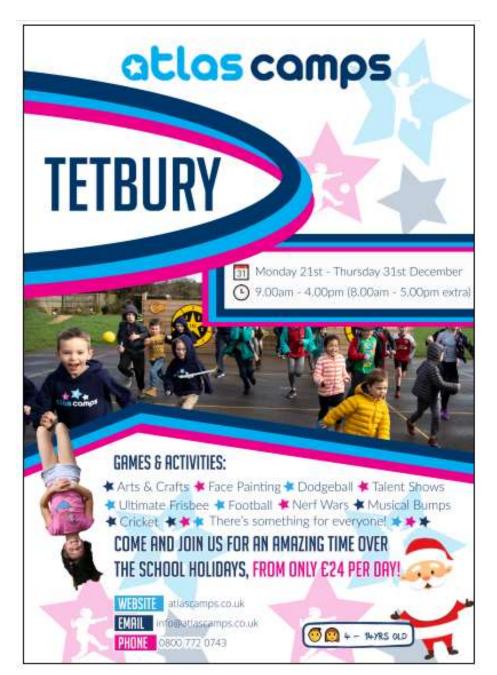
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## 1 week to go.....





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**Dear Parents** 

We are extremely excited about our French Christmas zoom club. Please see the flyer attached. We will meet on the Monday 21st December- Wednesday 23 December morning for a fun French lesson learning with Père Noël et le petit Lutin. I will send a craft package to you as well as email activity sheets for the children to do outside of our lessons. On the Wednesday, we'll have an extended lesson to include cooking together.

Do let me know if you'd like more information or to book a place. I will order the Christmas craft next week.

A bientôt

Madame Fuller





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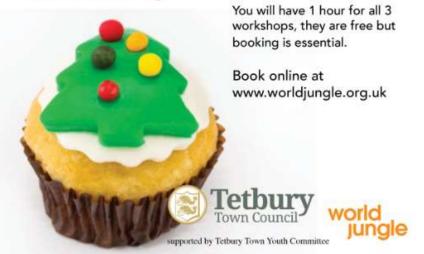


# **Crafts & Cake Decorating**

## Wednesday 23rd December Dolphin Hall, Tetbury 1-4pm

Come along to the Dolphin Hall for our Christmas Craft workshops, there will be 3 workshops where we will be making:

Peppermint Creams, Christmas Cupcake Decorating Christmas Gift Tags





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CINEMA IS BACK - EVERY THURSDAY

The tickets have been reduced to £5 per person and this includes a mince pie or some Christmas chocolate!!! 😌



ALL TICKETS £5.00 (plus booking fee) PRICE INCLUDES A MINCE PIE OR XMAS CHOCOLATES!! SEATING IS LIMITED SO PRE BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL – PLEASE CHECK WEBSITE THE WEARING OF FACE COVERING (unless medically except) AND SOCIAL DISTANCING TO BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES DOORS OPEN 30 MINUTES BEFORE FILM STARTS Tetbury Goods Shed <u>www.shed-arts.co.uk</u> telephone 01666 505496



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THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> December 2020 special festive showing 7.00pm ELF (PG)



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As we're in lockdown I've been online shopping. I'm a bit concerned about buying goods without seeing them first. What happens if something goes wrong, or if I change my mind after seeing something in reality? I don't have money to lose right now.

You're not alone being cautious about shopping online. Over the last year Citizens Advice Consumer Service has dealt with just under 123,000 cases in relation to online shopping.

Most of the time, when you buy something online you automatically get a 14-day 'cooling-off period' which starts the day after you receive your order. There doesn't need to be anything wrong with the item for you to get a refund. Many online sellers may offer more time, so make sure you check the terms and conditions before purchasing.

If you do decide to return your item, you need to tell the seller you don't want the item within 14 days of receiving it. Once you've told the seller, you've got 14 days to send it back. The seller has to pay you the refund within 14 days from when they receive the item.

If you buy something online and the product is faulty (i.e. it's broken, unusable or doesn't match what was advertised), you have 30 days to ask for a refund from when you receive it. However, you can choose to accept a replacement or repair. After 30 days (and before six months) the seller must offer you a repair within a reasonable timeframe. If this isn't possible, they must offer you a replacement or a refund. Ask the seller for the easiest way to send the item back. You shouldn't have to pay.

If you order something and it doesn't arrive, it's the seller's responsibility to make sure the item is delivered to you. If the seller used a courier, they should chase the courier to find out what's happened to your order - it's not your responsibility.

Check out <u>https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/</u> for more information or contact the Citizens Advice Consumer helpline on 0808 223 1133 You can also get advice and information from your local Citizens Advice office, Stroud & Cotswold Districts by contacting our freephone number – 0808 800 0511



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