



# Sonning Common Primary School

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## Weekly Newsletter 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Happy News and Stars of the Week

**Kites** have enjoyed learning all about arctic animals, saving the creatures from the ice.  
Star of the week is Theo W.

**Year 1** have had a busy but fabulous time with Christingle, writing letters to Santa and making paper chains!  
Star of the week is Farrow H-B.

**Year 2** have loved getting into the festive spirit this week by making Christingles for the service, painting their baubles and having their first full run through of the Nativity!  
Star of the week is Gabriel M.

**Year 3** showed excellent listening and resilience skills during our special Christmas yoga session on Tuesday.  
Stars of the week are Eva-Mae W and all of 3KG.

**Year 4** have had great fun making a mess with a painting technique called Impasto.  
Stars of the week are Jesse D and Rhys H.

**Year 5** have made a great start to building their own Victorian cam toys.  
Stars of the week are Georgie E and Vivienne R-H.

**Year 6** continue to work hard as we approach the festive season. This week, they have enjoyed a full complement of practice SATs papers in maths and prepared their Christmas hoop for the fair tomorrow - something of a week of two halves!  
Stars of the week are Xander OB-W and Krisan J.

### **Y5/6 Girls' Football Tournament:**

On Thursday we travelled to Moulsoford Prep School for our first tournament of the school year. Click on the link below to find out more:

<https://sonningcommonprimary.co.uk/sport/2025/11/27/year-5-6-girls-e...ay-27th-november/>

### **SCPS Explained**

**Table Tennis during KS2 playtimes:** There are 4 tables. Any child who wants to play is able to - they simply need to bring in a table tennis bat and we will provide the balls. There has been some negotiation around taking turns so we will issue a new rota to the children next week and discuss it in Monday's assembly. We are committed to making sure that ALL year groups get a fair turn, both boys and girls, so check the new rota and bring your bat in!

## **Christingle**

Thank you KS1 families for helping us to raise £178.97 for the Children's Society.

## **Parent Consultations, Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

Appointments are now available to book on MCAS. Appointments that are booked between 4pm to 5pm will be in person at school. Appointments that are booked between 5.30pm and 7pm will be online and joining codes will be emailed to you on the day.

## **Clarinet**

We have had a clarinet donated to school which would be suitable for a child to learn on. Please let the office know if your child is intending to take lessons and would like this instrument.

## **School Council Charity this year**

This year School Council have decided to link up with the Watoto Program, which runs schools in Kibera (a suburb of Nairobi in Kenya). We have good links with a school and its staff, and a reliable way of sending some of the things they need. We hope that our occasional fund-raising activities might be able to help in some small way. Currently, the school is short of student exercise books, pencils and staff diaries, so that will form the focus for our next efforts. School Council will help to lead the initiative, and several Year Six children have volunteered to produce display and other materials. This weekend, the Kenyan children will receive some seasonal cards hand-made by our Y6 group, who are looking forward to hearing back from them – hopefully in a week or so.

## **Christmas Orders**

The Class Fundraising shop is now open again for orders until 1<sup>st</sup> December. Orders cannot be placed after 1<sup>st</sup> December. <https://shop.classfundraising.co.uk/>  
Use this link if you have lost your child's design code: [Lost Codes – Class Fundraising](#)

## **Parish Carol Service Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm**

The Director of Music, Frances Brewitt-Taylor, at St John's church (who attended our Christingle service) would like to invite enthusiastic singers to their annual Parish Carol Service. All interested children are welcome! Children (accompanied by a parent) will need to attend practices at Christ the King church on Friday evenings 7.30pm to 8.30pm. Please contact Frances at [francesbt@hotmail.com](mailto:francesbt@hotmail.com) if your child would like to attend.

## **After school club need your help!**

ASC need lots of empty cereal boxes for a craft project. Please either bring to reception or hand to your child's teacher. Thank you!

## **Swimming pool equipment**

We are need of more swimming 'noodles', if anyone has any that they no longer require and would like to donate. We also need some more spare swimming kits, so if you have any outgrown swimming costumes or trunks, we will gladly take them too.

## **Community Noticeboard**

Remember to look at the [Community Noticeboard](#) for events and activities that may be of interest.

## **New – Christmas Brick Building workshops**

Rachel Salmons  
Headteacher

## Dates for your Diary

<b>NOVEMBER 2025</b>	
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Fair
<b>DECEMBER 2025</b>	
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Parent Consultations, 4-5pm in person, 5.30-7pm online
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Open Morning 9.30am to 11am
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5/6 Boys' Football Tournament at Moultsford Prep
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultations, 4-5pm in person, 5.30-7pm online
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Cross Country at MECE 10am
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Gift Room – details to follow
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Years 1 & 2 Christmas performance, 2pm
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Years 1 & 2 Christmas performance, 9.15am
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Kites singing to parents at 2.30pm
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Concert 6pm
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Carol Service at Christ the King, Sedgewell Road 7.30pm
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of Term 2, school finishes at 1.15pm
<b>JANUARY 2026</b>	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	INSET day – no children in school
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	First day of Term 3
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Y4 Life in Roman Britain Day
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Young Voices
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Y3 Life in Ancient Egypt Day
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Kites & Y6 weighing and measuring
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Y5 Ancient Greece Day

Link to website calendar for further dates: <https://sonningcommonprimary.co.uk/parents/calendar/>