

Weekly Information Bulletin

Friday 13th December 2024



Finish time on Friday 20th December

Iffley Academy will finish for the Christmas Holidays on Friday 20th December and we will be finishing at the earlier time of 1.00pm. Students will return to school on Tuesday 7th January.

Christmas Dinner - 19.12.24

On Thursday 19th December we will be having our school Christmas lunch. If you would like your child to have Christmas dinner on this day please complete the link below to notify us of their choices.

[School Christmas Dinner 19.12.24](#)

Christmas Lunch will be provided free of charge. We will be unable to offer any other lunch options on this day. 6th Form will be enjoying their Christmas lunch off site and details of this event have been sent to parents & carers separately. Please complete the form even if your child will be bringing in a packed lunch on this day.

End of Term Assembly - 20.12.24

We will be inviting parents and carers into school on Friday 20th December for our end of term assembly to celebrate students' achievements for this term.

We will be holding two assemblies, one at 9.30 for classes Blake, Warhol, Lowry, Haring, Monet, Dali, Miro, Aardman and Robinson. The second assembly will be held at 11.15 and this will be for classes Kirby, Kusama, Hirst, Banksy, Kahlo, Burgerman and Tula classes.

Dali Class Visited the Botanic Gardens - 05.12.24

Dali class had the opportunity to visit the Botanic Gardens on Thursday 5th December 2024. They enjoyed and participated in a rainforest experience and workshops. This included the opportunity to discuss Fairtrade but also do some sketching of rainforest plants in their Waterlily House. Students learned about rainforests and made relevant links to our topic, 'Fair-Trade'. This was a very enjoyable trip.



Aardman Class Paddington Trip

Aardman class has a wonderful day out this week in Newbury. The class have been working with the Paddington stories in their English lessons and had a lovely trip to Newbury Library to learn about what libraries are, what they can offer within the community and how they work; as well as the job opportunities. Students enjoyed listening to some Paddington short stories and even going to meet the Paddington statue on the high street!



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Hill End residential

A group of students from the Tate gallery spent the night at Hill End this week. This is a new residential for the Tate gallery, other classes from this gallery will get the opportunity to attend this trip later on this academic year. Students enjoyed an evening walk in the forest, playing games and roasting marshmallows.



Local author Lola Chapman visits Dali Class.

For our class story time, we have been reading 'Tezzie and the Curious case of the missing jewels', an amazing adventure story. We really enjoyed the story and were delighted to get the opportunity to meet the author, Lola Chapman. She read her favourite chapter of her book to us and answered lots of questions about her book and her life. She also talked about how she is resilient and hardworking! We thoroughly enjoyed meeting her and sharing her love of reading!



Christmas enterprise - Dali's Golden Bucket

For our Christmas enterprise this year, Dali class are running 'Dali's Christmas Golden Bucket'. And like last year we are also fundraising for Sobell House.

You pay a £1 per ticket your ticket(s) will be numbered placed in the bucket.

At the start of next term, January 2025, whoever's number is pulled out of the bucket will receive 50% of the total money received.

You can purchase tickets from now, at school and /or at our enterprise market on 20th December.

For further details please email me: d.james@iffleyacademy.co.uk



Christmas Enterprise - Lowry Class

For our Christmas enterprise this year, Lowry class are running a 'Guess the Name of the Reindeer' fundraiser for Sobell House. It will be 50p a go to guess the correct name of the reindeer.

The lucky winner will be announced at the end of term assembly and win a lovely Christmas hamper, including the reindeer soft toy, a Santa mug, some Christmas themed pens and chocolate treats!. If students would like to guess a name (they can have as many goes as they wish), please send them in with some money over the next few weeks.

The deadline will be the last day of term (20th December).



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Banksy Class trip to Wallingford Church

This week students from Banksy and Kusama Classes visited St Leonard's Church in Watlington to consolidate their learning about significant features within different places of worship. The students enjoyed their guided tour around the church which was beautifully decorated with Christmas trees from various organisations from Watlington.



Termly Outcome Plan Evening - 21.01.2025 - save the date

On Tuesday 21st January we will be holding our termly outcome plan evening for parents and carers here at Iffley Academy. Further information will follow.

Dates for your diary

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| Friday 20th December 2024 | End of term celebration assembly |
| Friday 20th December 2024 | End of Term One - 1pm finish |
| Monday 6th January 2025 | INSET day |
| Tuesday 7th January 2025 | Start of Term Two |
| Tuesday 21st January 2025 | Termly Outcome Plan Evening |
| Friday 14th February 2025 | End of Term |
| Monday 24th February 2025 | Start of Term |
| Friday 4th April 2025 | End of Term Two |
| Monday 21st April 2025 | Bank Holiday |
| Tuesday 22nd April 2025 | Start of Term Three |
| Monday 5th May 2025 | Bank Holiday |
| Friday 23rd May 2025 | End of Term |
| Monday 2nd June 2025 | Start of Term |
| Friday 18th July 2025 | End of Term Three |

Lunch Menu Week Commencing 16th December

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Main Meal | Veggie sausage casserole (Gf, Df, V) | Mild Chicken curry (Gf) | Sweet & Sour Chicken (Df) | Christmas lunch | Packed lunches in classes |
| Vegetarian | | Mild vegetable curry (Gf) | Vegetarian Sweet & Sour (Df,Vegan) | | |
| Served With | Mash Potato Peas (GF,Df, Vegan) | Rice (Gf, Df, Vegan) Naan bread (Df,Vegan) | Noodles (Df,Vegan) Carrots (Gf,Df, Vegan) | | |
| Pudding | Gingerbread Biscuit (Df) | Sponge cake with sprinkles | Lemon Sponge (GF,Df, Vegan) | | |

There is a daily alternative of: Jacket Potato topped with either beans, cheese or tuna. Baguette/Sandwich filled with either cheese, ham or tuna.