



Weekly Newsletter



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Dear Cherry Orchard pupils, parents and carers,

Today has been a very spotty and colourful type of day! Thank you for generously supporting the national Children In Need appeal. Many children and their families will benefit from the money raised today and it certainly supports the UN Sustainable Development Goals' mission to '*leave no – one behind*'. As we move through this term at pace, please keep an eye on the school website calendar because things get VERY busy towards the end of term! The latest date of note is the COSA disco on 7th December, if you can volunteer to help please message the COSA team via Classlist or email to cosawr5@gmail.com

I look forward to another jam packed week next week at Cherry Orchard. Please have a wonderful weekend,

Karen Banford, Head Teacher

Calendar of Events

Date	Event
Weds until 22nd Nov	4C swimming
Mon 27th Nov	KS2 Maths workshop for parents
Tues 5th DEC	Y3 and 4 trip to the pantomime
Wed 6th Dec	Parent forum meeting 8:45-10am in school
Thur 7th DEC	6O class assembly 8:55am in the hall
	School discos (see poster later on)
Mon 11th DEC	KS2 Cathedral Carol Service 1pm
	See Christmas events page later on
Wed 20th Dec	Y5 parents in for work share 2:30pm


Weekly attendance:

Whole school:

97.55% (a touch down on last week)

Best year: Year 3 with 99.21 %

Best class/classes: 3C with **100%**

Also Well done to RR, 1O, 3O, 5R with 99+%. 

Housepoints:

Severn 416

Avon 410

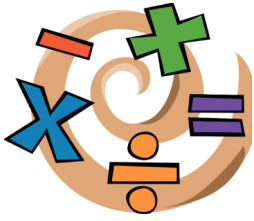
Teme 429

Overall winners: Teme

KS 1 winners: Avon

KS2 winners: Teme

Coming soon.....



Maths workshop for parents of children in Years 3-6

Are you interested in finding out how your child learns maths 'these days'?

Would you like to know more about the calculation methods that we use now so that you can help with homework?

Could some hints and tips (and activities) help you to feel more confident in supporting your child at home with their maths?

Then please come along to our KS2 maths workshop from 8:45am on Monday 27th November.

The start time was decided based on the replies to the survey sent out by Mrs Whitehead (our maths lead), so we hope to see lots of people there. Mrs Whitehead will send out an invitation next week, so keep a look out for the link.



Parent Forum meeting for all parents/carers

Please come along to our first Parent Forum meeting for this year on Wednesday 6th December, from 8:45am.

We will meet in Our Space (what we have called the new area when you enter school) for coffee and tea from 8:45am, with the meeting from about 9am for about an hour.

This is an informal meeting, more of a coffee and chat where we can talk about general school-related items. During this meeting, we would like to share our new experiences trail, and explain all about the trips and events we are organising this year. Please come along if you can.

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Advance warning...



Christmas dates for the diary



Event	Date	Time	Year groups involved
Pantomime. Jack and the Beanstalk at The	5th Dec	am	Years 3 and 4
Cathedral Carol Service	11th Dec	1pm-2:30pm	All of KS2 (Y3-6) Parents invited
Christmas performances (parents and carers invited to all performances)	12th Dec	9:30am	Reception
	13th Dec	9:30am	Reception
	14th Dec	9:30am	Year 1
	15th Dec	9:30am	Year 1
	18th Dec	9:30am	Year 2
	19th Dec	9:30am	Year 2
	21st Dec	9:30am	Little Cherries
Christmas jumper day (to wear with uniform)	22nd Dec	All day	All children

NB Christmas parties will be held in year groups at a time that suits each group and parents and children will be informed of these closer to the time.



CHRISTMAS DISCOS!



**£2.50
per
child**

7TH DECEMBER

3-6.30pm (time slots below)

Reception, Yrs 1 & 2 disco 3-4pm
Yrs 3 & 4 disco 4.15-5.15pm
Yrs 5 & 6 disco 5.30-6.30pm

PLEASE PAY BY
5/12/23 via
Parent Pay
(incl. drink &
crisps)

**All children can
come to school for
the day wearing
their festive party
clothes!**

**PLEASE SEE INFO LETTER ON EMAIL FROM SCHOOL
COSA NEEDS VOLUNTEERS TO HELP SUPERVISE
PLEASE SIGN UP VIA CLASSLIST!**



cherry orchard
school association

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**MORE
THAN 15
PRIZES!**

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

TICKETS FOR SALE ON

CLASSLIST - £1

DRAW ON 17TH DECEMBER



**SCAN TO BUY
YOUR TICKETS**





CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



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AMAZING SPONSORS



SCAN TO SEE ALL
THE PRIZES AND
GET YOUR TICKETS



**Money you have helped
to raise for the Cherry
children!**



**Christmas card
commission
£447**

**Uniform
& Halloween
sale £44**



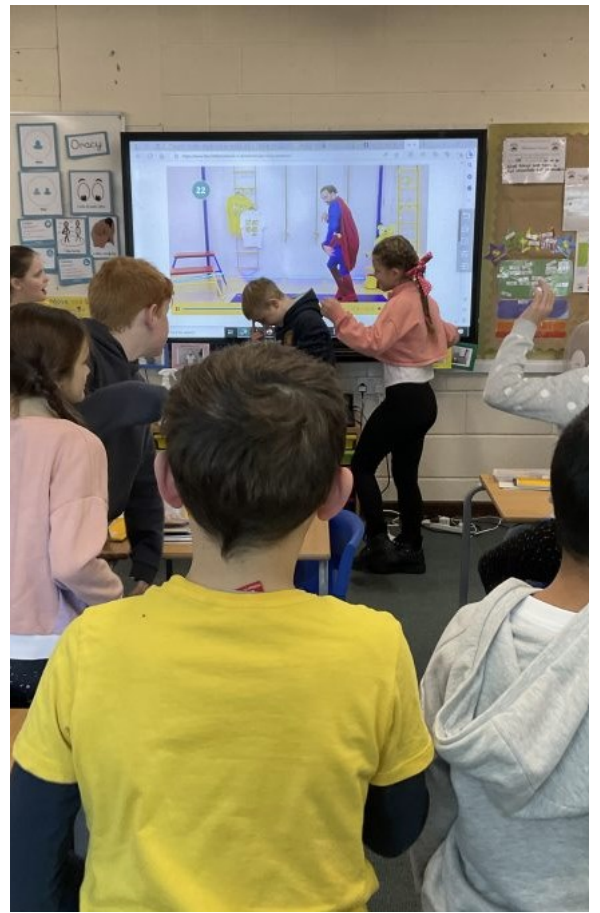
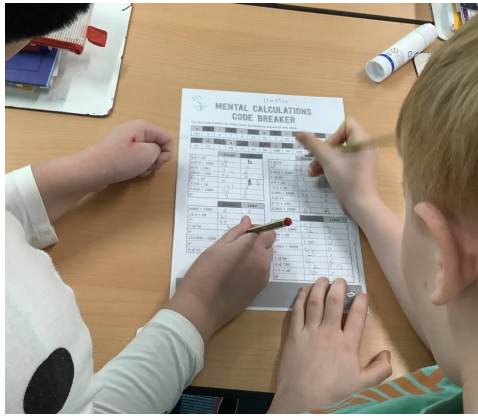
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YOU!**



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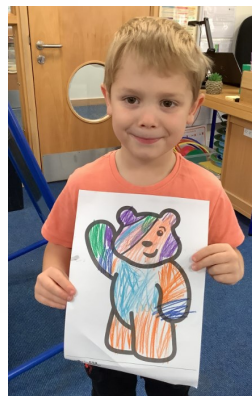
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We have enjoyed celebrating today with art activities, some fitness with Joe Wicks and even maths code work linked to Children In Need. Thanks everyone for joining in our fun and supporting such a worthy cause.

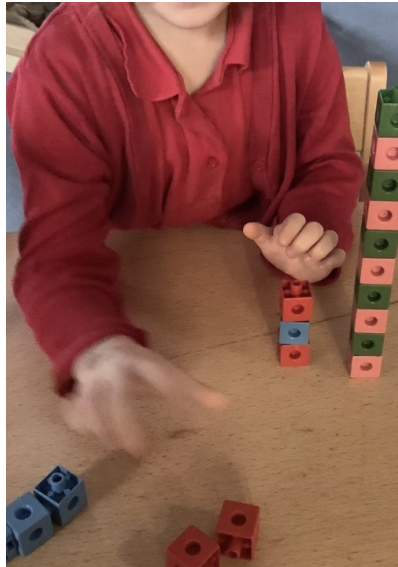


Thank you Cherry Orchard for helping to raise over £720 for Children In Need today.



This week at Cherry Orchard.....

Little Cherries children have been working on their colours this week. Here they are making repeating patterns with cubes. What fantastic results!



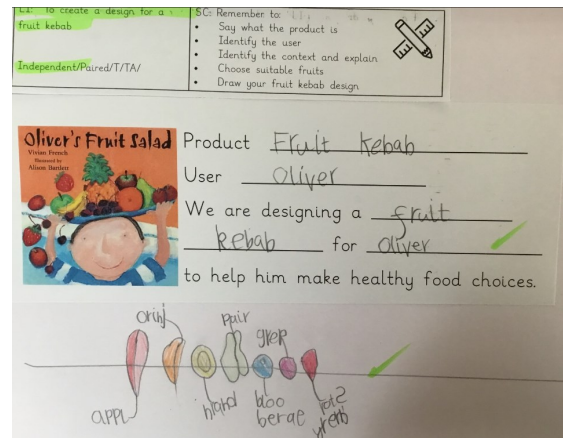
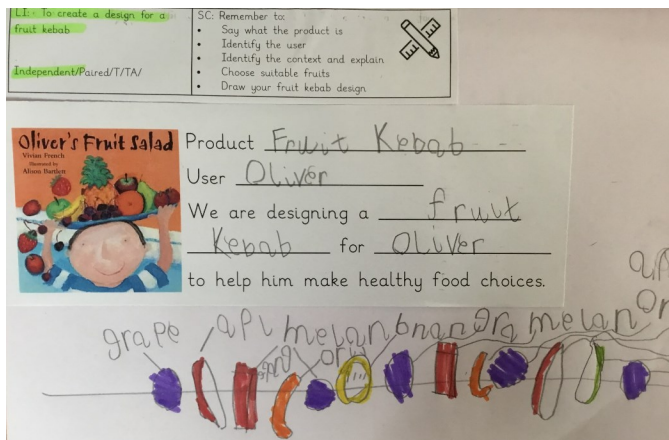
It has been Nursery
Rhyme week in Reception.
We enjoyed learning
through lots of different,
fun activities!



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This week, Year 1 have been working hard on their DT designs. They have read the book 'Oliver's Fruit Salad' and have given themselves the task of designing a fruit kebab for Oliver. They chose the fruits that they thought he would like and designed the product to look tasty and colourful.



Today, Year 2 have enjoyed a beautiful autumnal walk around our local area, carrying out an environmental survey of two contrasting locations. The sun shone down on us as we paddled through some very muddy pathways along Duck Brook Community Orchard!

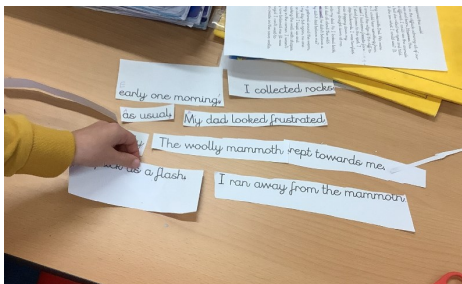
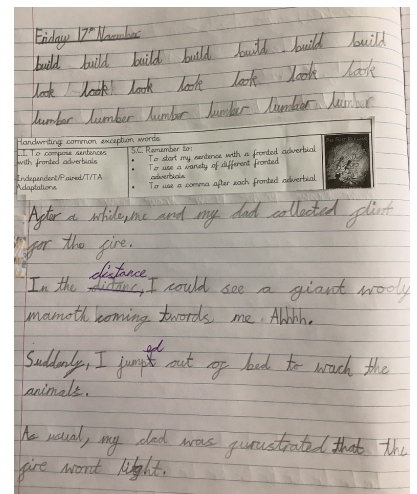
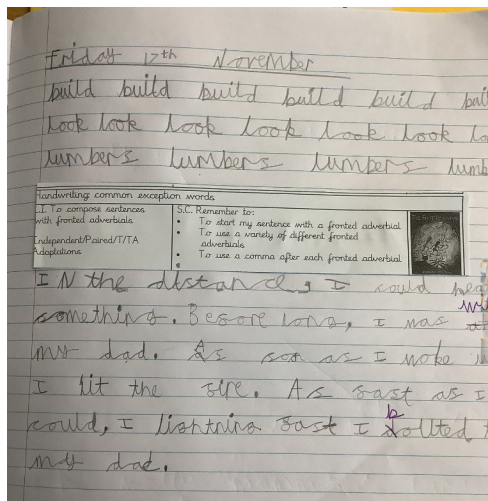
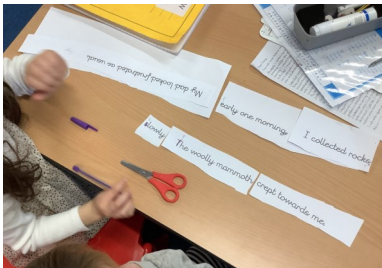
Year 2 have had a busy and exciting week. On Wednesday, we had a visit from Samuel Pepys who talked about The Great Fire of London. His science demonstrations about how the fire became so powerful and was able to spread so effectively were awesome!



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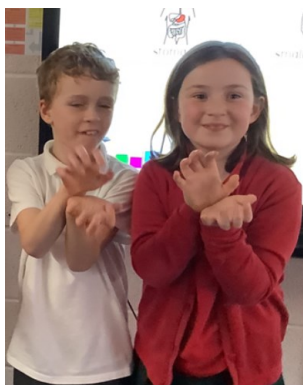
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Year 3 have learnt how to compose sentences with fronted adverbials and commas this week in English.



They have also been protective dribbling (yes, a real term!) in basketball. The children used their arms and bodies to keep the defend away from the ball.



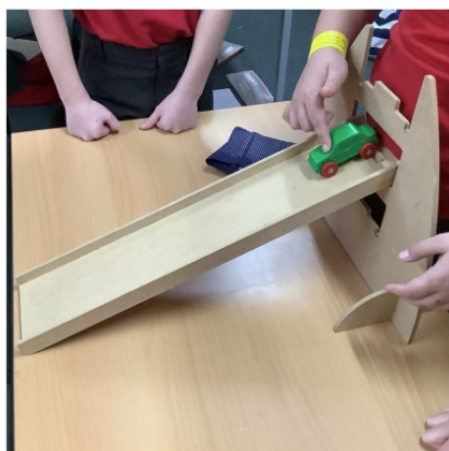
The digestive system has been the science focus in Year 4 this week as the children explored the function of each stage. They created actions and were able to explain what happens, and why, at each stage.



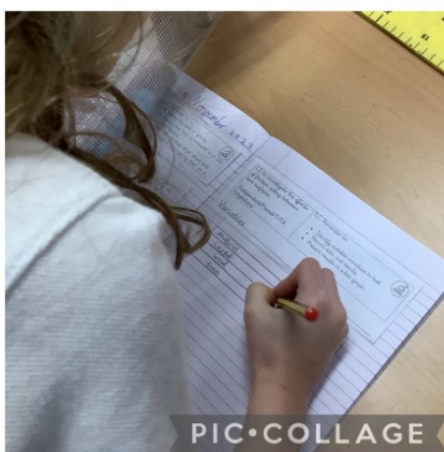
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In Science in Year 5 this week, we investigated the effects of friction. We carried out an experiment to discover if the material of a ramp affects the friction on a moving car.



Year 5 spent this afternoon starting to make our fidget blankets. Thank you so much for all the donations from families and the local community! The children loved making their patterns and cutting their designs. It's starting sewing next week. (Eek—needle threading practice at home might help the Y5 staff!)



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CELEBRATION

Class	Worker of the Week	Star of the Week
RC	Mikeala	Parker
RO	Evie	Theo
RR	Finn	Emaan
1C	Arthur	Rosie
1O	Lilly	Elliot
1R	Annie	Rosie
2C	Hasha	Layton
2O	Hunter	Caesar
3C	Max	Harley
3O	Phoebe	Scarlet
3R	Saskia	Rogan
4C	Amy	Zina
4O	Jorgie	Sophie
4R	Kyran	Marnie
5C	Bertie	Arthur
5O	Annie	Mia
5R	Max	Lucy
6C	Zachary	Rhys
6O	Rohan	Ebuka
6R	Ethan	All of 6R



Attendance

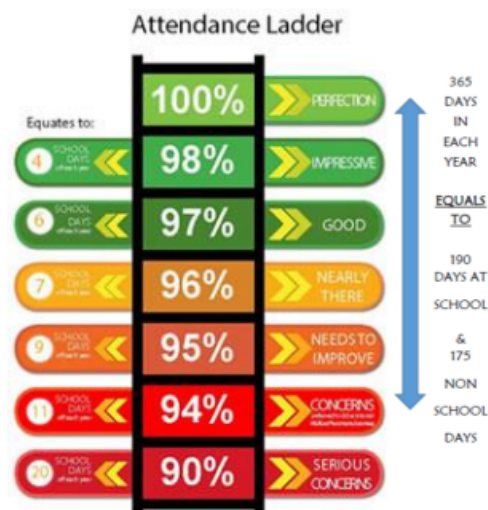
This is a screenshot of the Attendance guidance which is on our website, along with our Attendance Policy. Please help support your child's education by ensuring that they are in school, on time, every day. If your child is absent for any reason, please make the office aware of this as soon as possible, as the twice daily attendance registers are legal documents that must be accurately completed and shared with the LA. Attendance is a 'hot-topic' for the school, the MAT, the LA and the Government, as every child has the right to a full education.

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Attendance Procedures

Attendance Matters:

At Cherry Orchard Primary School, we believe that good attendance is vital for all children to be confident, happy and independent learners. Good attendance is 97% or above – no more than 6 days off school in a year. Our aim is to give a clear and consistent message to parents/carers and children in our school, which we will constantly reinforce in our day-to-day work. Good attendance is a priority at Cherry Orchard and our target is to achieve **97% or above** by the end of this academic year. It is an expectation that all children attend school every day because 'Every minute of every day matters'.



What is expected of Parents and Carers at Cherry Orchard Primary School:

- **Good attendance** – Parents/carers have a legal duty to ensure that their child/children are in school every day as it is vital for learning and promoting essential life skills
- **Good punctuality** – Parents/carers have a responsibility to ensure that their child/children arrive on time each day in school (so lessons can start at 8:45am) and are prepared for the day ahead
- **Medical/Hospital/Dental Appointments** – Where possible, and unless in an emergency situation, appointments should be taken outside of school hours or in holiday periods. Appointment letters/notifications should be provided to the school office when notifying us of the absence.
- **Absences due to illness** – Parents/carers have a duty to notify the school if their child/children are absent for any reason and this needs to be done as soon as possible and certainly before 9:15am. School will contact parents/carers if notification is not received by this time.
- **Holidays** – Holidays are not permitted in school term time. All holidays are unauthorized except in exceptional circumstances.

Reminders/information

School gates open at 8:30am and will close when children should be in class at 8:45am. This is when lessons start and the register is taken. The gates will be open again at 3:05pm for a 3:10pm finish for Reception children and a 3:15pm finish for all other year groups. Please try to be prompt in the mornings so that all opportunities for learning are able to be taken and in the afternoons by standing away from the building, close to the areas where your child will be released.

Please try to discourage the bringing of toys/non-school items into school. They can go missing or get broken, meaning the children can get upset. Please keep them for home.



Please try NOT to drive down Timberdine Close in the mornings unless you have a parking permit for the school as there are not places to turn safely around. We have been asked to pass on that the NHS have had their entrances blocked and there have been some near misses with both children and vehicles, and, as a result, the community police officers will be doing some spot patrols.

Cherry Orchard Primary School and Little Cherries Pre-school



Our Facebook username is cherryorchardps, as is our Twitter username. Please search us out to see what is going on on our pages. We try to post to both types of media just to keep the world up-to-date with the amazing things going on in school.

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Autumn Term club information

All notifications about club spaces have been sent out. Clubs start Monday 18th September.

Year group	Clubs	Day	Time
Reception	Choir Construction	Tuesday Tuesday	3:15-4pm lunchtime
1	Cosmic yoga Lego Choir Storybook	Monday Monday Tuesday Thursday	3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm
2	Cosmic yoga Lego Art/collage Choir Maths	Monday Monday Monday Tuesday Tuesday	3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm lunchtime
3	Multi-skills French/ languages Choir Art club Homework	Monday Monday Tuesday Tuesday Wednesday	3:15-4:15pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm lunchtime
4	Times tables Multi-skills French/ languages Choir Art club	Monday Monday Monday Tuesday Tuesday	lunchtime 3:15-4:15pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm
5	Young Voices Lego Girls' football Choir Art club Sewing	Monday Tuesday Tuesday Tuesday Tuesday Thursday	3:15-4:30pm Lunchtime 3:15-4:15pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm
6	Young Voices Netball Boys' football Girls' football Choir Art club Sewing	Monday Monday Monday Tuesday Tuesday Tuesday Thursday	3:15-4:30pm 3:15-4:15pm 3:15-4:15pm 3:15-4:15pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm 3:15-4pm

There will also be an orchestra club on a Friday after school for those already learning an instrument. Separate information will be sent out about this soon, as it is in collaboration with Mrs Daws.

A healthy start for
a brighter future

Are mealtimes
stressful?



Is your child's fussy eating taking its
toll? Would you like to have more fun
and less nagging?

If you answer yes to this, would you like to...

- Feel more confident as a parent?
- Reduce mealtime stress?
- Encourage your family to be more active/healthy?
- Help reduce screen time?



Come along to our free group for parents/carers...

Where: Sunshine Family Hub, WR14 3SW

When: Friday 19th January 2024 for 8 weeks (excluding half term)

Time: 9.30-11.30am

For more information or to book a place please contact Louise Moriarty on 07793803501

Or louise.moriarty@actionforchildren.org.uk



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& SLOW COOKER



EVERY CONTACT SHAPES A LIFE

WE NEED YOU!



WE ARE HIRING

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISORS

- MONDAY - FRIDAY
- TERM TIME ONLY
- 1.25 HOURS PER DAY
- PERMANENT CONTRACT

**JOIN OUR
TEAM**



Pop into the school office or give us a ring on 01905 352787 for futher details and apply via the form on our website:

<https://www.cherryorchard-pri.worcs.sch.uk/current-vacancies/>



Are you interested in becoming a teacher?

If you are, check out if you can follow this path into this rewarding career with our MAT Teaching Alliance.



Train to Teach Open Event


Saturday 18th November

PGCE with QTS one year full time

Call in anytime between 11-1pm

**Rivers Teaching Alliance,
Henwick Road, Worcester, WR2 5NS**

 01905 950700

 teachingschool@riverscofe.co.uk





COSA Gardening Group

3rd
Thursday
every month

Next date
19th October

2-3.10pm
at school

Bring gloves
& tools if you
have them

Join in with watering, tidying & planting!

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Community News

The Worcester Gilbert & Sullivan Society
Proudly Presents

A SEASONAL CONCERT

of songs and carols (with audience participation)

A fully costumed & staged performance of

THE GILBERT & SULLIVAN NATIVITY

Using words & music from familiar operas,
The Story of the Nativity of Christ is told
sensitively (and often amusingly)

on Friday, 1 December at 7.30pm

in

**St Mark's Church, Orchard St,
Worcester WR5 3DW**

Tickets: £10 (adults) £5 students/children

(TICKET PRICE INCLUDES FESTIVE REFRESHMENTS)

Available from:

gasworcsnativity@hotmail.com

or janvale810@gmail.com 01905 351392

or call in at 10.45am after 9.30 Sunday Service



Business &
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Christmas Fayre

at The Hive

FREE ENTRY

Saturday 9th December

10:00am - 3:00pm

**A day of festive activities with a local
Christmas Market, children's activities,
Christmas lanterns and Father
Christmas.**

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 **University of Worcester**  **Worcestershire County Council**