

SHEEPY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



A fabulous November leaves us ready for the excitement and fun of all of the festivities of the Christmas period. We launch December with an exciting Christmas Enrichment Day on Monday 1st December 2025.

REMEMBRANCE DAY



Thank you to everyone who joined us for our super exciting, yet poignant, Remembrance Day and VE Commemoration Event. The children looked fabulous in their WWII evacuee costumes and learnt about the meaning of this day. The children also made cards and delivered them around the village to remember those who gave their lives or are still serving in the armed forces.

At 11am, the children quietly lined the Main Road and stood for the traditional 2 minutes silence. Then at lunchtime, the whole school ate together in 'Street Party' style with bunting up and WWII music on in the background.

The service was very well attended and visitors enjoyed a cuppa and slice of cake. We have received lovely feedback about the service from parents, grandparents and the children themselves. With a mixture of songs including some old fashioned WWII singalongs, it was a service that children and adults will remember. They certainly enjoyed waving those flags!



A rare whole school photo for Remembrance Day 2025 and to commemorate VE Day.

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BREAK – IN

We were heart broken last Thursday when our lovely school was broken into in the early hours of the morning. We apologise for the inconvenience of having to close the school and thank you for your understanding. We needed to ensure the school was safe and clear of glass.

The fact that the Poppy money, which our children had worked so hard to raise, was stolen was devastating.

Thank you to everyone who donated and re-donated following the break-in. We have received some very generous donations. We will let you know the total raised when we receive details from The Royal British Legion.



NEW INTAKE 2026

We would like to remind parents with children due to start school in the next academic year that the deadline for applications is

15th January 2026.



OPEN THE BOOK CHRISTMAS SPECIAL



For many years, our lovely Open the Book team from the church have blessed our school with a weekly re-enactment of a Bible story. The children love these assemblies as they get to take part and act out the parts of the characters. The annual Christmas Open The Book service takes place in the church and will be next **Wednesday 3rd December at 9.30am**, where the Open the Book team will be acting out the very special nativity story. They are inviting parents and grandparents to come and enjoy the story too.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Unfortunately the Open the Book team has dwindled over the years and particularly since Covid. If any parents or grandparents would like to get involved and volunteer, please come and speak to us or one of the Open the Book team. You can do it weekly or just the odd one here and there to help out. They also make pre-recorded videos if they don't have enough volunteers. Please help to keep this going for another generation of children.

WHAT'S ON!

SAVE THE DATE

Wed 3rd Dec: Open the Book Christmas Service in church 9.30am.

Mon 8th Dec: KS1 Theatre Trip

Thurs 11th Dec: Swaledale Christmas Ukulele Performance 2.30pm

Mon 15th Dec: Swaledale Christmas Performances 1.30pm and 6.30pm.

Tues 16th Dec: Portland Nativity 9am

Tues 16th Dec: Christmas Dinner Day

Tues 16th Dec: Woodlands Carol Service 2pm

Weds 17th Dec: Cotswold Christmas Performances 1.30pm and 6.30pm.

Weds 17th Dec: KS2 Santa Fun Run (weather depending)

Thurs 18th Dec: KS2 panto trip am

Thurs 18th Dec: Christingle Service **2.30pm**

Fri 19th Dec: Christmas Jumper Day.



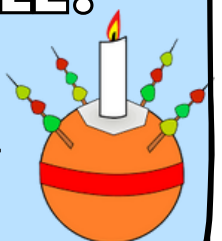
CHRISTINGLE SERVICE



Get yourself in the Christmas spirit with our ever popular Christingle Service. Join us for mulled wine and mince pies in the school hall afterwards.

NEW TIME FOR CHRISTINGLE!

Please note that due to KS1 Panto trip, Christingle will be at the slightly later time of **2.30pm**.



PTA CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE



Your child will have brought home some raffle tickets this week to sell as a fundraiser for school. We have some amazing hampers being put together by each of the classes. The raffle will be drawn back at school on Thursday 18th December 2025 after the Christingle Service.

An email has gone out explaining how this works.

Good Luck!

Enter to Win

If you haven't already done so, please send in some items for the Christmas hampers. Each class has a colour theme.

Woodlands – Gold

Cotswold – Purple

Swaledale – Green

Portland – Red

Please support ex pupil, Lucy, at this fundraiser in aid of Beat Eating Disorders.



The Annual Sheepy Tractor Run will be going through Sheepy and surrounding villages, ending at Atherstone on Friday 12th December. Mrs Goadby will be joining in with around 70 other tractors spreading Christmas joy in aid of Birmingham Children's Hospital, Len's Light and Air Ambulance.