



A word from Mrs Daniels ...

Last week we continued our work with OPAL by completing a baseline of where we are now and Mrs O'Mahony will soon be sharing with you our lunchtime development plan. In the meantime, we would appreciate you ensuring that children come to school in clothing that permits them to be outside in most weather. We are looking at purchasing wellie storage for each class so that there is space to store everything.

The Christmas Fair is less than two weeks away. The day of the fair will be a mufti day where the PTA ask for tombola donations. Details of this can be found on page 5. Your support on stalls and clearing away at the end is very much appreciated—please volunteer if you can. I have heard that Father Christmas may be able to visit us again this year!

That weekend is also the weekend of the lantern parade in Maidenhead—please see page 6 for more details and page 7 to get a preview of the lovely lanterns made by Year 2.

THIS WEEK

Monday 25th November

7pm FGB meeting

Tuesday 26th

Year 4 swimming

Years 5 and 6 Houses of Parliament

Wednesday 27th

Thursday 28th

Well-being Champions training

Friday 29th

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£393.69 was raised for Children In Need

Thank you all!



Over and Above Awards—Friday 22nd November

Reception	Sam Green	Oliver Venter- Murray	Ellis Kibbler
Year 1	Taylor Ojambo	Ava Christie	
Year 2	Heidi Andrews	Reuben Martin	
Year 3	Rufus Robson	Alfie Green	
Year 4	Teddy Haggerty	Belle Floyd-James	
Year 5	Henry Rees	Edward Hughes	Alba Ortiz
Year 6	Liam Squirefield	Gethin Cox	



Christmas Fair Stallholder preview

With just less than two weeks to go until our Christmas Fair, we wanted to share one of our fantastic stall holders creations, that you can order now, for collection before Christmas Eve. Gemma makes beautiful hand painted Christmas Eve plates for your little ones. You can order by emailing Gemma on gemma-gallon@hotmail.co.uk

Thank you
PTA



Calendar for term 2

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
25 7.30pm GB meeting	26 Year 4 swimming Years 5 and 6 Houses of Parliament	27	28 Well-being Champions training	29	30 Christ- mas tree pick up	1 Dec
2 Year 6 height and weight	3 Year 4 swimming	4	5 Fire presentation for Year 5	6 Mufti day for tombola donations 3—5pm Christmas Fair	7 Lantern parade	8
9 Hour of code week	10	11 Rec nativity for the school 2.30pm Rec nativity for families	12 2pm and 6pm KS1 Christmas play for families	13 Reports to families Years 1—6	14	15
16	17 KS1 to Kenton theatre—Snow White	18 Christmas lunch 2.30pm Rock Steady concert	19 Elm to Norden Farm—Pinocchio KS1 to Methodist Church 2.30 KS2 carol concert	20 School finishes at 2pm	21	22

Library event

Cookham Library

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Royal Borough
of Windsor &
Maidenhead

**Sam
The Seagull**
by Amanda
Boulding

**BRODY'S
GREAT
ADVENTURE**
by Amanda Boulding

**Storytime with Author
Amanda Boulding**

**30 November
11am
Ages 2-6**

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Year 6 Archeology workshop



Last Wednesday, Year 6 took part in a fabulous archaeology workshop, run by the Friends of Cookham Abbey and students from the University of Reading. Year 6 learnt about the Anglo-Saxon origins of Cookham and handled genuine artefacts from the dig, including bones, teeth and pottery. The session included games, singing and the opportunity to ask lots of questions. A huge thank you to the Friends of Cookham Abbey and the students for a fascinating and memorable afternoon.



Christmas Fair

The PTA kindly request the following donations for mufti day on Fri 6th Dec at drop off:

Christmas Fair

Tombola donation requests:

KS1: Small children's toy for ages 4-11

KS2: Bottle donations (soft and alcoholic drinks)

Cake stall requests:

ALL: Any cakes/brownies/ mince pies/ yule log would be awesome

Lantern Parade—Saturday 7th December

Norden Farm Centre for the Arts

THE LANTERN PARADE

**CARNIVAL OF THE ANIMALS
OUR ANIMAL NEIGHBOURS**

SATURDAY 7 DECEMBER 2024

Free Event

Entertainment begins at 4.30pm at Maidenhead Town Hall
Get parade ready by joining us at a Lantern Making workshop

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Centre for the Arts Maidenhead

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Lantern making in Year 2



Year 2 have made some fantastic lanterns for the parade on the 7th December.
Well done to all the children and thank you to the parents who were able to come in and help.



Christmas Lunch

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Christmas Lunch Menu

Wednesday 18th December 2024

**Roast Turkey & Pork Chipolata
Sausage with Sage and
Onion Stuffing**

**Sweet Potato/Parsnip loaf &
Vegan Christmas Chipolata with
Sage and Onion Stuffing**

Served with:

**Roast Potatoes, Peas, Carrots
and Brussell Sprouts**

Dessert:

**Christmas Pudding Rice Krispie
Cake**



Swimathon



MAIDENHEAD LIONS

START THE NEW YEAR WITH A SPLASH!

**40th ANNUAL
SWIMARATHON
Sunday 12th Jan 2025
at Braywick Leisure Centre,
Maidenhead**

Dive into the Swimathon for Cookham Rise!

Whoop whoop! It's time to make a splash for Cookham Rise! Set your goggles, set the date, and get ready for an epic evening at Braywick Leisure Centre on January 12th, 5pm! (Yep, we tried for an earlier time, but 5pm it is—prime time for a swim-fun frenzy!)

We're on the lookout for 8 teams of 6-8 swimmers! This is a fantastic event for all ages and swimming abilities to jump in and have a great time.

Calling all parents! We need your help with length counting and poolside support, so if you can't swim, come lend a hand and cheer on the team!

Confirm your attendance and help us spread the word. Every splash counts!

Please contact Yaeger Irwin – 07818 807162 if you are keen to be involved. Or please confirm to your class representative to secure a space in the team!

Sponsorship details and our collective JustGiving page will be out soon! Let's rally together and make waves for a great cause.

Excited to see everyone there!

Implement a Safe, Off-Road Cycling Path Network in Cookham and Maidenhead



I have received an email from Eline Van der Velden about sharing the following -

As we all know, providing safe routes for children to travel, especially by bike, is of great importance to their health and safety. Currently, cycling around Cookham can be dangerous due to the lack of designated paths. This petition, which is also featured on the Cookham Parish Council website, seeks to create safer off-road routes, ensuring our children can cycle to school and around the area without worry.

<https://www.change.org/p/implement-a-safe-off-road-cycling-path-network-in-cookham-and-maidenhead>



The Croft Clinic

ADHD AND AUTISM SUPPORT

Coffee Morning!

We warmly invite you to our coffee morning, a supportive space for parents to connect, share experiences, and build a strong community with others who understand the unique challenges and joys of raising children with ADHD and Autism.

Event Details

- **Date:** Friday, 6th December 2024
- **Time:** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- **Venue:** The River Room, The Odney Club, Odney Lane, Cookham, SL6 9SR
- **Cost:** £5 per person
- **Refreshments:** Tea, coffee, and a selection of cakes provided
(Please let us know of any dietary requirements so we can accommodate them.)

Why Attend?

- **Connect** with other parents who share similar experiences.
- **Exchange** valuable insights and support one another.
- **Relax** with tea, coffee, and delicious cakes in a warm, friendly atmosphere.

Special Guest: Gemma Ransome, Paediatric Dietitian BSc RD

Gemma will be joining us to share insights on children's nutrition. She offers virtual or in-person appointments at The Croft Clinic to support families with:

- Growth faltering, weight management, and healthy eating
- Selective eating/ARFID
- Allergy and intolerance, Coeliac Disease, Anaemia, vegetarian, and vegan diets

RSVP: To ensure we can accommodate everyone, please RSVP by Friday, 22nd November to admin@thecroftclinic.com

Maidenhead Big Read



TAKE FLIGHT

PRESENTS A WEEKEND OF FREE EVENTS



OPEN A BOOK & SPREAD YOUR WINGS

8TH & 9TH MARCH 2025
MAIDENHEAD LIBRARY
INSPIRING, ENTHUSIASING AND ENTERTAINING
THROUGH LITERATURE & THE ARTS

Author Sessions
Storytelling
Activities



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WITH WHICH WE WANT TO BE HEARD

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children to shine!

