



A note from Mrs Beardsley

As the festive season is quickly approaching, we have many fun and exciting activities planned. The EYFS children are looking forward to their Christmas Nativity A Miracle in Town! and Year 1 and Year 2 children are enjoying learning their Christmas carols. We look forward to seeing you next week.

School Menu

There has been a slight change to the winter menu a digital copy has been sent via email to all parents and a physical copy is available from the school office or it is available on our school website please follow the link [William Lilley Infant and Nursery School - Menu - Winter 2025](#)

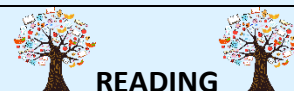
School photographs



This week the children had their individual and sibling photographs taken. Please ensure you place orders online. Thank you.

Accounts

As we come to the end of term could we please ask that all outstanding payments to be paid ASAP but all should be fully paid by Friday 19th December 2025. Thank you.



READING

Our school aim is to read 4 TIMES PER WEEK at home, as we know that this benefits your child and helps them to be a fluent, confident reader. Reading can include school reading books but also library books, magazines, instructions, recipes, news articles and much more. Please record this in your child's reading diary so that we can celebrate their hard work! If you need any advice on completing the reading at home, please speak to your class teacher.

Food Bank

We have been running our own basic foodbank for any families who are in need. This has been well received by many and is always available anytime should you need it...please just ask. If anyone has any spare carrier bags to donate, we would greatly appreciate it. Thank you.



Christmas Market

Christmas is coming and once again we're holding our children's Christmas Market. **Friday 12th December** will be a non-uniform day and in exchange, children are invited to bring in donations from home so it's the perfect opportunity to clear out your cupboards and donate anything you no longer need but others may love! The Christmas Market will take place on **Wednesday 17th December** during school time. They will be able to purchase a gift for a loved one, which will be gift bagged or wrapped for them to bring home and put under the Christmas tree. Please send your child to school with £1 if they would like to take part. Thank you!



As we are counting down to Christmas and we have so many festive fun-filled activities planned over the next two weeks. The children will be sharing special moments with their friends, ones that will matter for many years to come. We can't wait to share the magical festive season with them - and you. Thank you for ensuring that your child is in school, on time so that they can join in!



There are still limited spaces available on our Christmas theme nights next week **Tuesday 9th December KS1 & Wednesday 10th December for Nursery & Reception** please book via the schoolmoney app or contact the school office.

Bookings are now live for our wraparound care for the new year.





Calendar 2025-2026

Date	Event	Time	Who?
Tuesday 9th December	Christmas Craft Theme night	15.15-18.00	Kingfishers Flamingos Puffins
Wednesday 10th December	Miracle in town Nativity	10.00 & 14.00	Nursery and Reception
Wednesday 10th December	Christmas Craft Theme night	15.15-18.00	Ladybirds Butterflies Busy Bees Caterpillars
Thursday 11th December	KS1 Carols	17.00	Kingfishers Flamingos Puffins
Friday 12th December	Rock Steady Concert	14.30	
Wednesday 17th Decemeber	Christmas Market	Throughout the day	Whole School Bring £1
Wednesday 17th December	Reindeer Dash	Throughout the day	Whole School
Wednesday 17th December	School Christmas Dinner		Whole School
Wednesday 17th December	Stay & Play Christmas Crafts	8.45 - 10.00	Busy Bees Caterpillars & Reception
Wednesday 17th December	Stay & Play Christmas Crafts	12.30 - 13.15	Busy Bees & Caterpillars

Last day of term Friday 19th December

Year Group News

Early Years Foundation Stage (2 Year olds, F1 and F2)

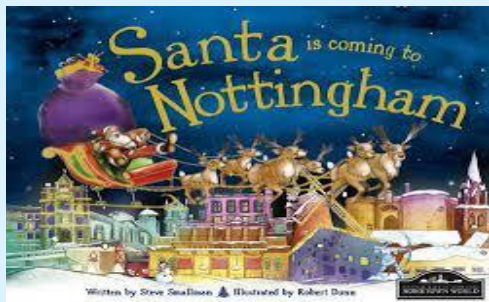


The Butterfly, Ladybird and Busy Bee children have had a great week, full of festive fun in the classroom but mainly rehearsing our Christmas play 'Miracle in Town'. The children are singing the songs beautifully and practising their parts brilliantly, you are in for a real treat. There is no tickets for the show, however, there is only space for 2 adults per child per show.



We learnt the story of Christmas and talked about the journey Mary and Joseph made to Bethlehem which is just like our play! We also had a visit from the Life Education team and met Harold the giraffe who helped us learn all about our body and how to keep healthy.

Next week we continue with the Christmas theme and the book we will be working with is called 'Santa comes to Nottingham'.



Your child will have come home with half term homework (Ladybirds and Butterflies)- this is being celebrated alongside our stay and play craft session on 17th December- we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible there! This stay and play session is for all children- Creative Caterpillars, Busy Bees, Lovely Ladybirds and Brilliant Butterflies.



Key Stage One (Year 1 and 2)



We are really getting into the Festive spirit in Key Stage One. The children have been working hard to practise their songs ready for our Christmas Carol Concert on Thursday 11th December at 5pm.



Next week, we will be making our moving toys that we have designed. The children will be using axles and wheels to create movement as well as adding their own design.

In English, we will be completing our own meeting stories inspired by Toy Story. We will also be learning about fact files and applying all our knowledge of toys from the past to create information texts of our own.

In Maths year 2 will be working on subtraction involving 2-digit numbers. Year 1 will be exploring odd and even numbers and using numberlines.

As we get towards the end of term, we have got lots of exciting events happening so please keep an eye out on Class Dojo and the school newsletter for more information!







NON UNIFORM DAY & CHRISTMAS MARKET



**FRIDAY 12 DECEMBER
NON - UNIFORM DAY**


**PLEASE BRING IN ANY UNWANTED GIFTS FROM HOME -
ANYTHING YOU NO LONGER NEED BUT OTHERS MAY LOVE!**



**WEDNESDAY 17 DECEMBER
CHRISTMAS MARKET**



**CHILDREN WILL BE ABLE TO PURCHASE
A GIFT FOR A LOVED ONE, WHICH
WILL BE GIFT WRAPPED FOR THEM TO
BRING HOME AND PUT UNDER THE
TREE. PLEASE SEND YOUR CHILD IN
WITH £1 IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO
TAKE PART!**



Happy Christmas!