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Thursday 13th November 2025

Christmas Events at Somers Heath 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

We are excited to announce that it won't be long until our Christmas festivities begin!

Christmas Fair

Unfortunately, due to limited support from parents we have taken the sad decision to cancel this year's Christmas Fair. We are hoping that this will return in 2026 and ask that you support this where possible when plans for next year begin.

However, in order to raise money for the school we are still planning on running a Christmas Raffle. We have some prizes already, however if you do know of any other local companies who may be able to support the raffle by donating a prize please do speak to them or let us know.

Additionally in order to build hampers for the raffle we will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 12th December. On this day, children are invited to wear their own clothes to school (Christmas theme encouraged!) in exchange for a raffle prize which can be used in our sweets or chocolate hampers. Any donations that are not used in the raffle may be used as prizes for children at Christmas Parties or donated to the local foodbank at Christmas.

Tickets for the raffle will be available on Arbor from Monday 17th November at £5 per strip. Please ask your friends and family to buy tickets, all the money raised goes towards the school fund which the School Council have lots of ideas for!

Christmas Performances

The performances will take place during the week commencing 8th December and 15th December. As in previous years the KS2 performances will be held at All Saints Church, Foyle Drive. We extend our gratitude to Reverend Frankland for hosting us.

Please see the details of your child's performance(s) in the table below:

IF Y F \ = \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	Monday 8 th December – 2:15pm – Adults Only Performance
	Tuesday 9 th December – 10am – Family Performance
KS1 – Year 1 and 2	Thursday 11 th December – 9:30am – Adults Only Performance
	Friday 12 th December – 9:30am – Adults Only Performance and
	2:15pm – Family Performance

















IYear 3	Wednesday 17 th December – 9:15am - All Welcome (All Saints
	Church)
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	Church)
IYear 5	Wednesday 17 th December – 10:45am - All Welcome (All Saints
	Church)
Year 6	Wednesday 17 th December – 11:30am - All Welcome (All Saints
	Church)

Please note that this year, EYFS and KS1 performances will have adults only and family performances. Please ensure you select the correct performance when booking your ticket. Due to our risk assessment, the numbers allowed in the hall are reduced for the family performances so tickets will be limited. **Arrangements should be made for younger siblings during adult-only performances, as parents with young children will not be admitted to these.** Any child attending the **family performances** will require **a ticket**, and this will be counted as part of your **two-ticket allocation**.

Ticket Allocation:

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2: Two tickets in total. Parents/carers must decide whether to use both tickets at one performance or to use one ticket at two separate performances.

Year 3,4,5 and 6: Two tickets per child

Somers Heath reserves the right to cancel bookings if the two-ticket limit per pupil is exceeded. Tickets can be booked via Arbor in the 'School Shop' from Monday 17th November and you be will registered upon arrival for each performance.

Please note that late arrivals will not be permitted entry to the performance as this is very disruptive for the children, the doors for performances will be open 10 minutes before the start time.

Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

This will take place on Wednesday 17th December. Children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper with their usual school uniform and enjoy a Christmas Dinner. Dinners should be booked and paid for, unless you receive a free school meal, in Arbor by Friday 5th December. Bookings can be made from Friday 28th November, look out for the menu which we will share next week. Children may also bring a packed lunch on the day if they wish.

Christmas Party Day

On the final day of term (Friday 19th December), the children will be attending a Christmas Party. The parties will take place during the school day. This will be a **normal school uniform day** but Christmas accessories are encouraged! We do not require any donations for these events.

We look forward to celebrating the festive season with you and thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

















