



# OPJS Newsletter

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## Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to the penultimate edition of our OPJS Newsletter as we head into the last few days of our mammoth term! Phew! Here's to this evening's Christmas Fair and a great last few days of term!

## OPJS Update

📷 Well we have to start with a HUGE well done to the whole school for the amazing performance that was 'It's Chriiistmas!' Indeed, it was immense and I was so proud of all involved for putting on a great show! Thanks to all, especially to Mrs Tapscott, our dedicated staff and Rev. Robert and the team for putting it altogether as well as our cracking children! A snapshot is above.



📷 Y4 enjoyed a super trip to Cadbury World as part of their theme for this term where they got to explore the chocolate factory. A great day out for all and many thanks to all the Y4 staff and team for organising this opportunity.



📷 Well done to the OPJS Athletics Squad who put in a great show and shift at the BaNES Sportshall Athletics Competition at Wellsway last week. Many thanks to Mr Newman for taking the team and a snapshot of the squad is above.

🏒 Keeping on the sporting theme, the U10 OPJS Hockey squad started their season with a fine performance at the Bath Buccs Christmas Hockey Festival held at the University of Bath. The squad overcame some seriously wintry weather as well as some accomplished hockey teams to finish a very credible third. Well done to the whole squad as well as to the merry band of supporters who cheered on the teams. A snapshot is opposite.



🎤 Well done our wonderful OPJS Performance Poetry Group whose rendition of 'A Silly Christmas Poem' went down a storm at the PAT Carol Service last Tuesday. A superb effort and many thanks to the magnificent seven and Mrs Tapscott for taking the group.



🏹 HUGE congratulations to the OPJS Ten Pin Bowling Squad who emerged victorious at the BaNES Ten Pin Bowling Championship held at Bath Sports Centre. Well done to the children and many thanks to Mrs Edson and Hayley for taking the team. A snapshot is opposite.



## Parent Governor Election result

You should have received an email with the result of the recent OPJS Parent Governor Election which I hope found you well. As you are aware we will be welcoming both Dr Williams and Mrs Cooper to the school governing body as they start their posts in January and many thanks for their support of our children and school.

## Dates for the Diary

Here's a reminder of all of the dates for the remainder of this term:

📅 **Today: Bring a Bottle Mufti and OPJS Christmas Fair from 5pm onwards**

📅 **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December: OPJS Choir at Hayesfield Christmas Concert at 6pm at Bath Forum**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Lunch and Christmas Parties – Wear party clothes!**

Children may come to school in their party clothes so that they can not only enjoy their lunch (menu opposite) in festive gear, but also have more time partying and not having to get changed!

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December: Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day for a £1, Christmas Competitions, OPJS Got Talent and end of Term 2**

Well Christmas is well and truly on its way! To help us get into the festive spirit we are going to hold our annual OPJS Christmas Competitions! Indeed, there are four competitions from which I would like your child to enter one as part of one of their homework tasks for this term. Every entry gets a prize and here are the categories:

**For Children**

- Make a Nativity Scene.
- Make a Christmas Decoration – Cracker or Bauble.
- Make a Christmas Card.
- Decorate a Christmas Digestive Biscuit.

All children who take part will receive a little Christmas treat! The children will be competing against their own year groups, and will be judged on originality of design, creativity and effort. Now you need not feel left out as there are a few competitions for parents, carers and grandparents and these are highlighted below!

**For Adults**

- Make and decorate a Christmas cake.
  - Make and decorate a Christmas yule log
- Christmas cake and yule log will be judged on taste and originality of design. We will hold the competitions in the Memorial Hall on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December with the winners announced at 2.45pm. Entries must be in school by 9.30am.

- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December: INSET Day**
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December: Christmas Holiday Club**
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January: Start of Term 3**

**And finally,**

Many thanks for reading the penultimate issue of our OPJS Newsletter and here's to an amazing Christmas Fair (5pm onwards) organised by our superb OPJS PTA! See you later!

**With every good wish,**

**Mr Dave Goucher**

**Headteacher.**



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# Christmas Concert

Monday 16th December, 7.00pm  
Bath Forum

With guests from Oldfield Park Junior School  
Adults: £10/ Concessions: £5/ Family ( 2+2 ): £25

