

# Newsletter



No. 12 - 24th November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another busy week in school, with two lovely class assemblies from Willows and Ash classes. It has been a joy to see the wide variety of learning that has taken place this term.

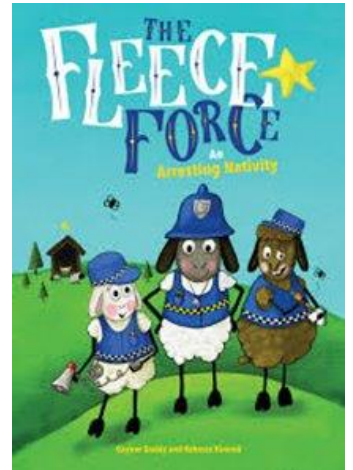
Thank you to everyone who has already let the office know they will be attending the Parent Workshop, on helping your child manage big emotions, next Tuesday morning at 8.50 am. Please let the office know if you will be attending, thank you.

It is only a week and a half until the first performance of our nativity, The Fleece Force. Once the initial two tickets have been allocated, we will let you know if there are any additional tickets available.

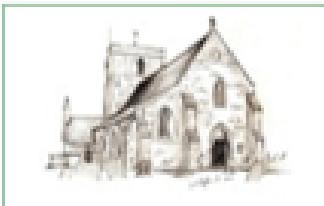
Have a great weekend.

Kind regards,

*Catherine Brooks*



## Upcoming services at St Mary's Church, Shipley



Christmas Eve

5 pm – Crib Service with carols, readings, live animals and a Nativity Tableau.

If your child would like to do a reading, or be part of the Nativity Tableau, at the St Mary's Church Christmas Eve service, please let us know.

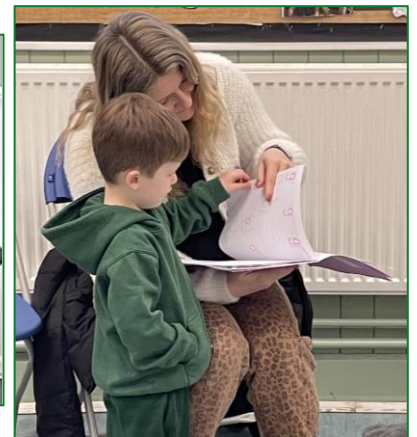
Loved seeing all the children's work. They have all improved so much in such a short time!

Lovely seeing all the amazing work – from happy, confident children.

Fantastic work done by Willows, they've all worked so hard. Amazing job. Thank you.



Amazing work Willows! You were all so confident and it was really fun to watch. Thank you.

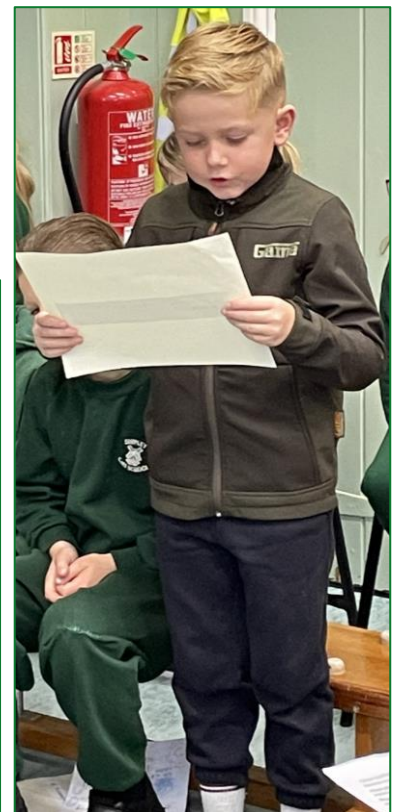


Always love class assembly. The children work so hard and give lovely performances.

Fantastic! So many clear voices & lovely poems! I could hear every word. Beautiful singing. What a lot you have learnt!

Well done Ash and staff on an awesome showcase!

It was good to see all the children sharing their work and speaking confidently. Well done, to teachers and Ash class.





## Reading rewards

	<b>Ruby</b> 10 reads	<b>Emerald</b> 25 reads	<b>Amethyst</b> 50 reads	<b>Diamond</b> 75 reads	<b>Wormery</b> 100 reads
<b>Willows</b>					
<b>Oaks</b>			Oscar	Isla O	
<b>Ash</b>		Felix Ella	Lottie Connie		
<b>Sycamore</b>					



## Golden book

When a child does something amazing, we like to celebrate it in Friday's assembly!

**Willows** Sonny - for a fantastic superhero handprint picture.  
Monty - for always trying his hardest in phonics.

**Oaks** Quinn - for always being enthusiastic in everything he does.  
Arlo - for working really hard on his Victorian Christmas card.

**Ash** Cleo - for always working so hard in everything she does.  
Westley - for never giving up on his times tables.

**Sycamores** Charlie - for enthusiastic singing in the Christmas rehearsal.  
Jesse-James - for not giving up in Maths, when the work was challenging!

## Diary dates

New dates are in **bold**

### November

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November FOSS Friendship Friday

### December

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 8.50 am Supporting your child manage their big emotions – parent workshop

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December Nativity performance 9.15 am

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December Nativity performance 6 pm

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December Nativity performance 2pm

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December Christingle Service 2pm at St Mary's Church

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December Last day of term

FOSS Christmas Cracker 3 – 4.15 pm

*Christmas holiday Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> January*

### January

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January INSET DAY

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January First day of term

### February

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February INSET DAY

*Half-term Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February*

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## Useful Information

**Parent  
Workshop**

*Helping your child  
manage their big emotions*

**TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER**  
8.50 am in the hall

If you would like to attend, please email  
the school office.  
[office@shipley.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:office@shipley.w-sussex.sch.uk)



# YOUNG EXPLORERS CLUB

This Christmas break at Brinsbury College! 9am - 3pm 23 December

Join our Young Explorers Club (8-12yrs) for woodland walks, animal activities, and more at Brinsbury Animal Centre!



Scan to find out more!

[brinsbury.ac.uk/animal-centre-young-explorers-club/](https://brinsbury.ac.uk/animal-centre-young-explorers-club/)





Do you have a child due to start school in September 2026?

Come and visit us on one of our open day tours:  
-Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 9am or 10:45am

We are nestled in the countryside, just a short drive from Billingshurst and Horsham, with smaller than average class sizes.

We nurture every child's uniqueness and create a happy place to grow and flourish.

Call the office to book a tour, or arrange an alternative visit:  
01403 741298 <https://www.shipleyceprimary.com/>

