



December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas Light Switch on

Our lovely FOSS Committee didn't disappoint us despite the terrible weather for our Christmas light switch on and Christmas Fair. Our families were able to enjoy lots of stalls, games, popcorn, sweet treats and a rainbow raffle as well as the opportunity for a photo with the big man himself!

Thank you to everyone who came and supported, we would also like to give a massive thank you to our FOSS Committee without them none of this would have been possible.

Farewell to Sue and Ann from our catering team



Earlier this half term we said a sad farewell to two of our longest serving catering team members, who have kept both children and staff well fed over the last decade.

Thank you for all your hard work, and best wishes for the future. We will miss you both and hope you will stay in touch

Children in Need update

Well done to everyone who donated for our Children in Need non-uniform day, we raised a total of £202.22 Thank you.





Christmas Decoration competition

Our annual Christmas decoration competition was held this term. The children designed a Christmas tree decoration. A winner was selected from each class and their designs will be created into a wooden bauble and will hang on our Christmas tree in the school's reception area for all to see.

Well done to the following class winners Stella Year R, Oliver Year 1, Liam R Year 2, Minsa Year 3, Simeon Year 4, James Year 5 and Malik Year 6.



Christmas at St Albans



Last Monday the whole school had their annual Christmas visit to our local church St Albans. Once there the children took part in activities, there was a different activity for each year group, Year R, 1 & 2 created some amazing finger painting/printing on sheets of paper, Years 3 & 4 had a star to decorate making to shine brightly and these were added to one very large star. While year's 5 & 6 each had a star and were invited to write what Christmas means to them or something they are wishing for this Christmas for someone they love or the world, The event was enjoyed by all and thank you to all at St Albans for inviting us.

Christmas Panto

This week the school were visited by Bumblefly Theatre company, they performed their Christmas Panto Pinocchio. It was a fun and interactive show enjoyed by the whole school. Thank you for visiting, see you again next year.





Christmas Performance

Our KS1 Christmas performance this year was The Nativity, the children performed two shows in front of parents and staff. The children gave an amazing performance, well done to everyone involved.

Meanwhile our KS2 children performed their Christmas show Aladdin, telling the story of Princess Jasmin and a street-smart commoner Aladdin. The children also performed two shows for parents and staff, they performed their socks off and straight on to Wishy Washy's washing line. Well done to everyone involved.



Flu Vaccination Catch up Session

The School Age Immunisation Team will be returning to school on 21st January 2026.

This will be the last chance for your child to receive their flu vaccination in school. Please complete a consent form via the following link **School code is CW116109**

- <https://www.hiowhealthcareimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

If you have already completed a consent form for your child, please do not complete another form. If you are not sure if you have completed a form, please check your emails for a confirmation email (this may have gone to junk emails).

If your child has received the flu vaccination elsewhere since completing a consent form, please let school know, and email us: HIOWH.sotonimms@nhs.net

If you have any other queries, please call us on 0300 123 5074.

Thank you. School Age Immunisation Team



Absence from school

If your child is going to be absent from school due to sickness, please could you advise school office by gam on every day of absence either by telephone, text or via the school email info@swaythlingprimary.org thank you.

School opening times

Reminder school opens from 08:40 in the morning, children are not allowed in school before this time and must accompanied by an adult on school premises while waiting. The gates will close at 9am, if you arrive after this time please enter through the school office. Thank you

School places for September 2026

Just a reminder that applications for primary school Year R places close on January 15th. We only have 30 places to offer, and as of today, **we already have 57 applications for our 2026 Year R**. Please remember that if you have another child already in the school, you still need to apply by the deadline. If you, or anyone you know, is hoping for a Swaythling Primary School place for their child in September, please be aware of the 15th January deadline.

Christmas Holiday Activities

WHAT'S ON September - December 2025

Southampton City of Opportunity | SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

Christmas Holidays

Dress for mess at all our workshops

Table Decorations for all ages with Victoria Goss
Saturday 21 December | 10.30am - 12.30pm or 1pm - 3pm | SeaCity | £18

Art School Plus: Paint, Draw (and Breathe!) (7+ - 16 yrs)
Monday 22 December | 10.30am - 3.30pm | Art Gallery | £26

Art for All: Gonk O'Clock (5+)
Tuesday 23 December | 10am, 11.30am or 1pm | Art Gallery | £6.50

Christmas at Hogwarts (7+)
Tuesday 23 December | 10am - 12 noon or 1pm - 3pm | Tudor House | £12

Art for All: Penguin Print Thank You Cards and More (4+)
Friday 2 January | 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm | Art Gallery | £8

Discover Titanic
Friday 2 January | 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm | SeaCity | £8

Christmas at Tudor House
Sat 6, Sun 7, Sat 13, Sun 14, Sat 20, Sun 21 and Mon 22 December | 10am - 5pm | Tudor House | £25

Join us in Southampton's oldest building for a special visit with Father Christmas in the Banqueting Hall. This festive experience includes getting creative with a fun craft activity, then unwinding with a sweet treat in our cafe.

Culture Club for Kids: Christmas Holiday Activity Days (8½+ - 12 yrs)
Week Theme - Polar Bears and Penguins
Mon 22, Tues 23 December
9am - 4pm (drop off from 8.45am) | SeaCity | £35 per day £60 for both days

Get creative, explore our collections and learn new stuff while making really cool things at our themed activity days!

Drop off your young people

See venue websites for further details on events and to book
seacitymuseum.co.uk | tudorhouseandgarden.com | southamptoncityartgallery.com



Swaythling Primary School



Ofsted Registered

Active Holidays

Bassett Green Primary School

December Holidays 2025

22nd, 23rd, 29th and 30th December
9am - 4pm

For children aged 5 - 11

» **360 HAF** £26.25 per day*

Our 360 HAF Camps offer children a fun, active, and inclusive environment to enjoy during the school holidays. Each day is filled with exciting opportunities to stay physically active, build friendships, and develop new skills.

» **HAF Camp** Free

The HAF camp offers nutritious meals, engaging activities, and free childcare spots to children who receive benefit-related free school meals, supporting their health, wellbeing, and learning.

*Get 15% off with our Active Saver code 'DECAS15' expires Sunday 30th November.

Location:
Honeysuckle Road,
Bassett,
Southampton,
SO16 3BZ

Book Here:
Follow this link to book:
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Don't forget about our 10% sibling discount* too!
*Not to be used in conjunction with any of our saver codes.

Our mission is to change lives by improving health and wellbeing using the power of physical activity, sport and education.



Scan the QR code to book your place.

For more information or to book, visit:
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CHRISTMAS CRACKER

HOLIDAY COURSES

FOOTBALL, MULTI-SPORTS, PERFORMING ARTS, GYMNASTICS, INFLATABLES, CRAFTS AND MUCH MORE!

YOU WILL NEED TO BRING A PACKED LUNCH, WATER BOTTLE & COAT

VENUE	BITTERNE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL	
DATES	22 ND , 23 RD DECEMBER & 2 ND JANUARY <small>29TH & 30TH DECEMBER (MINIMUM NUMBER REQUIRED - 12/12/2025 DEADLINE)</small>	
AGES	4 - 12 YEAR OLDS (YEAR R+)	
PRICE	£20 PER DAY	FREE HAF FUNDING AVAILABLE
TIME	9 AM - 3 PM	
OUT OF HOURS	8 - 9 AM £6 (BREAKFAST INCLUDED) 3 - 4.30 PM £6	

TAX-FREE CHILD CARE & CHILD CARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED



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CHRISTMAS CAMP!

THE ACTIVITIES

- BLOXELS
- MAKECODE ARCADE
- PURPLE MASH
- MINICRAFT
- SCRATCH
- STOP MOTION SPORTS

Fryern: AGES 8-16
Itchen & Swaythling: AGES 5-16

Computer Xplorers

22nd - 24th

HAF bookings via our website

Itchen College: 22nd & 23rd December, 9:00 - 15:30
Swaythling & Fryern: 22nd, 23rd & 24th December, 9:00 - 15:30

southampton@computerexplorers.co.uk
computerexplorers.co.uk/southampton

CONNECT & COMMUNITY

Wraparound Club

BOOKINGS ARE LIVE FOR SPRING HALF-TERM

Computer Xplorers

Our sessions provide a supportive environment where children can explore new interests, build confidence, form friendships, all while learning technology through fun, hands-on activities.

BOOK HERE!

- LEARN CODING AND CREATE GAMES
- BUILD AND PROGRAM ROBOTS
- DESIGN ANIMATIONS AND DIGITAL PROJECTS
- DEVELOP PROBLEM-SOLVING AND TECH CONFIDENCE

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making music

CSO
City of Southampton
Orchestra

presents

Dance around the world

Family Concert

Conductor
John Traill

Leader
Bree Enemark

24th January 2026
Central Hall, Southampton
11am and 2pm

Join us for an exciting journey of music and dance

Featuring the New Forest School of Dance and Alessandro Mackinnon-Botti, solo beatboxer!

Adults £9 | Children £5 | Family £26 | Children under 3 FREE

Suitable for children, young people and adults of all ages

Scan the QR code or visit www.csorchestra.org to buy your tickets, and you will be able to submit your child's drawing to go up on our big screen!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 19th December – Last Day of Term Early Finish 1:15pm
Monday 22nd December 2025 – Friday 2nd January 2026 – Christmas Break
Monday 5th January 2026 – First day of Spring Term
Tuesday 20th January 2026 – Year 3 Trip to Fishbourne Palace
Thursday 22nd January 2026 – Year 4 Trip to Fishbourne Palace