



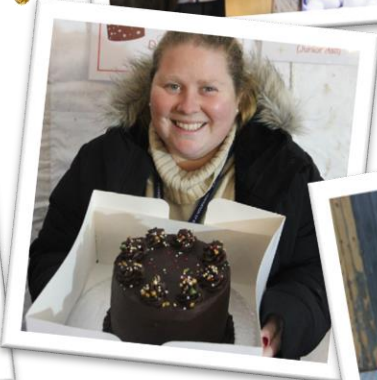
# Balksbury Federation

## Across the Playground

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December

*Thank you...*

For all your support to make this year's Jingle the best yet! Money is still coming in and being counted, so we will have the grand total raised from The Jingle, Christmas card sales and the P.T.A. very soon.



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# Still to come this Christmas...

## Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day

A big thank you to Dolce for providing us with such a wonderful menu for our school **Christmas lunch** this year on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December**.

Children will have the choice of freshly cooked:

- Roast Turkey with Pigs in Blankets and Stuffing

or

- Plant Based Puff Pastry Christmas Cracker

You can order your child's Christmas lunch via SchoolGrid. Children are invited to wear their **Christmas jumper** to school on this day.



## Clubs

Polite reminder that this week is the last week of after school clubs until after Christmas.

## Christmas Discos



Christmas Discos will be taking place in school on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**. Children are invited to wear their party clothes into school on this day.



## Open Box Christmas Production

The children will be treated to a magical Christmas performance from Open Box Theatre Company on **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December**, as a special Christmas treat.



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# Classroom News



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### Year R

This half term, the children have thoroughly enjoyed exploring the theme of **people who help us**. They discovered the important roles of the emergency services, learning how to contact them and why they are essential for keeping everyone safe. A highlight was meeting a vet, who demonstrated how an X-ray machine works and explained how to care for sick pets. The children were also thrilled to welcome a GP, who shared some of the tools he uses and talked about how he helps people stay healthy. We ended the week with an exciting visit from Andover's firefighters. The children loved exploring the fire engine and asking lots of thoughtful questions. We are so proud of their curiosity and excellent behaviour throughout these visits.



### Year 3

From playing pentatonic melodies in music to fine tuning their skills in Football, Year 3 have been thriving across the curriculum. In History, they especially enjoyed creating cave paintings, where they used chalk to replicate animal drawings from the time. They also enjoyed our Openbox session where they learnt about the progression of the caveman.

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Dates to Remember

# Diary Dates

## December 2025

Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Clubs pause for Christmas
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Intergenerational Café
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Year R Nativity (2:00pm)
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Year R Nativity (2:00pm)
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Children attend Carol Service at St Michael's Church
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Christmas Discos
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Openbox Production: Christmas Pantomime
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2025 – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2026	Christmas Holidays

## January 2026

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Clubs Restart After Christmas Pause
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## February 2026

Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Anti Bullying Day
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 – Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Year 6 Residential Trip to Fairthorne Manor
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Openbox Production: Victorian Childhood – Year 4
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	End of Block 1 Clubs
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Half Term
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	Start of Block 2 Clubs

## March 2026

Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	World Book Day
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Year 1 – Army Flying Museum Trip

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<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>	Parents' Evening (3:30pm – 6:30pm)
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>	Parents' Evening (3:30pm – 6:30pm)
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>	Year 1 Production (2:00pm)
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>	Year 1 Production (2:00pm)
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>	INSET Day
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026</b>	Easter Holidays
<i>April 2026</i>	
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026</b>	Year 4 Residential Trip to Ufton Court
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2026</b>	Year 2 Titanic Trip
<i>May 2026</i>	
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026 – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>	KS2 SATs Week
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>	May Half Term
<i>June 2026</i>	
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	Openbox Production: Moon Landing – Year 1
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	Year 3 Butser Farm Trip
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	Butterflies Parent Information Evening (for new Year R families)
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	Sports Day and Family Picnic
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	Openbox Production: Dinosaurs – Year R
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	Butterflies Transition - Session 1
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	Year 3 Parent Transition Meeting (3:30pm – 4:30pm)
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	Fraser Portraits Class Photos
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	Butterflies Transition - Session 2

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# July 2026

<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2026</b>	Year 2 Production (2:00pm)
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2026</b>	Year 2 Production (2:00pm)
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026</b>	Year 2 Country Dancing Festival
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	STEM Week (12:00pm – 4:00pm)
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	Change Up Morning and Butterflies Transition - Session 3
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	STEM Festival 2:00pm – 4:30pm
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	Balksbury's Got Talent
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	Year 2 Fun Day (more information to follow)
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	Year 6 Fun Day (more information to follow)
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	Year 2 Graduation
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	Disco Fun Day
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	Year 6 Graduation
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	Children's Last Day of Summer Term
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026</b>	INSET Day
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026</b>	INSET Day

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