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The Heads Up

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Friday 17th December 2025

I hope that this letter finds you well and that you are all gearing up, ready for the Christmas holidays. It has been such a lovely couple of weeks as various events and celebrations have taken place to mark the Christmas festivities. As well as giving the children the chance to shine, it has been wonderful to welcome so many of you into school for the various performances, concerts and fun events, and I do hope that we have helped to spread the Christmas spirit amongst you all over recent weeks. As we come to the end of our first term, I would like to thank everyone involved in our school for all of their hard work, support and commitment since we returned to school in September. Achievements do not happen by accident and there have been so many times this term where we have been proud of the achievements that we have made in school. Whether you have a very busy holiday planned, a quiet one, or somewhere in between, I hope that the next two weeks go exactly as you want them to. On behalf of all of the staff and governors, I would like to wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. See you all in 2026!

Mr Horsfield



Foodbank collection

Thank you so much to everyone who donated to this, in support of the Aylesbury Food Bank. As a school we collected over 50kg of food, with Year 3 alone donating an extra 80kg!! This is amazing and will really go to help those in difficulty at this time of year. Thank you to Kerri for organising this, we really appreciate your time.

PTA Christmas Raffle

Thank you so much to everyone who has bought a raffle ticket for our PTA raffle. There is still time to buy tickets, with the draw taking place on Friday morning.

Tickets can be bought at the Christmas Disco or from the main office. They are no longer available via Parent Pay.

Thank you to all of the PTA for organising this and to Jess Butler for making the lovely hampers.

The draw will be made on Friday morning and we will contact the lucky winners so that they can collect their prizes.

Friday 19th December—Last day of term pick up times

Pre-school: 12.30pm, Bluebells: 1.15pm, Years 2, 4, 6: 1.20pm, Years 1, 3, 5: 1.25pm

Some of the highlights from our Christmas celebrations this year...





A reminder that children are **not** to bring mobile phones to the school disco.

Inset days

We will return to school on **Tuesday 6th January**.

I wanted to remind everyone of the **inset days** which have been scheduled for the remainder of this academic year, as they may differ to the other local schools:

Monday 5th January 2026

Monday 13th April 2026

Monday 29th June 2026

We have also set the inset days for the next academic year:

Tuesday 1st September 2026

Wednesday 2nd September 2026

Monday 2nd November 2026

Monday 12th April 2027

Monday 28th June 2027

You can find out the term dates by clicking the following link:

<https://www.halton.bucks.sch.uk/term-dates/>



PTA Christmas Disco—Thursday 18th December

This year's PTA Christmas Disco promises to be lots of fun and the perfect way to finish off the autumn term.

6.00pm—7.30pm

Tickets are £4 per child (under 2's go free)

Disco provided by Disco Tom from Motion Entertainment

'Wrap a gift' room for children to purchase gifts for parents

Hotdogs, snacks and treats

Licensed bar and soft drinks available

Games, activities and prizes to be won.



Halton Pre-School



We offer a warm and nurturing learning environment for 3 & 4 year olds. Our well-equipped building and outdoor provision is set within the grounds of Halton School where our passionate teachers promote a love for learning.



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There are spaces in bands at your school



iRock

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Spaces in iRock bands are available to join now - secure their spot and join the fun!

What is iRock? At iRock, children experience the thrill of being in a band! Led by our passionate and professional Band Coaches, our weekly in-school band sessions are open to all pupils from Reception to Year 6.

Music for all. iRock aims to create a welcoming and inclusive environment where every child feels they belong. Each week, children develop their musical skills, confidence, and teamwork as they work towards exam-free music qualifications; celebrating progress without the pressure of formal exams.

Feel like a rockstar! The excitement culminates every term in a live concert where children perform as a band for their families and peers. These performances are more than just a showcase; they're an opportunity for children to build self-esteem, enhance their confidence, and experience the joy of accomplishment.

iRock isn't just about music. It's about helping children thrive cognitively, socially, and academically through the power of music.

Key information:

- Hassle-free, rolling **monthly subscription** of £44.49 (no payment taken in July)
- **First lesson money-back guarantee** (and you can cancel at anytime)
- **No experience needed** and all instruments are provided
- Parents/guardians can access our **online portal** for updates, pictures and videos

Head to [our website](https://www.irockschool.com/enrol) to check availability and start your child's iRock journey!

Joshua Franklin
Founder
iRock School of Music

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RAF HALTON KIDS ONE MILE RUNNING CLUB

Parents encouraged to join in and take part!

The mile is made up of a short run and games!

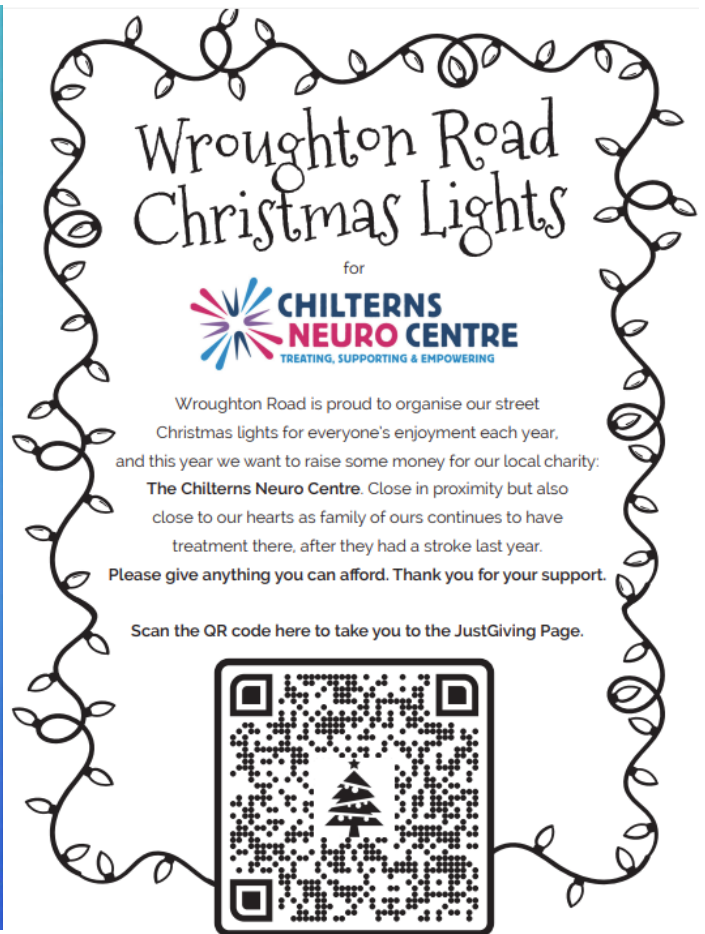
Mondays at 6pm
Ages 4-11
(Preschool-Year6)

Must be accompanied by Parent(s)

New location - Nuffield Pavillion field HP22 5PG

Certificates and T-shirts on completion of distances

£10 for 10 attended sessions
Email address: rafhaltonkidsrunning@gmail.com

Wroughton Road Christmas Lights

for **CHILTERN'S NEURO CENTRE**
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Wroughton Road is proud to organise our street Christmas lights for everyone's enjoyment each year, and this year we want to raise some money for our local charity: **The Chilterns Neuro Centre**. Close in proximity but also close to our hearts as family of ours continues to have treatment there, after they had a stroke last year. Please give anything you can afford. Thank you for your support.

Scan the QR code here to take you to the JustGiving Page.




USE PROMO CODE WINTER SWIM

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and pay nothing on swimming lessons until January!

let's do MORE

We're delighted to share an exciting opportunity for families in the Aylesbury area! Both **Stoke Mandeville Stadium** and **Aqua Vale Swimming and Fitness Centre** are running a **special promotion** to help more children learn this vital life skill and grow their confidence in the water.

🎉 **Join for just £1 and pay nothing until 1st January!**

This offer gives families an affordable way to get their children started on their swimming journey with expert, friendly instructors in safe, welcoming facilities. We'd love your support in helping us spread the word by **including this offer in your school newsletter** or parent communication channels. Learning to swim is a skill that lasts a lifetime, and this is a great chance for families to get started.

Find out more and register here:

Stoke Mandeville Stadium: <https://www.stokemandevillestadium.co.uk>

Aqua Vale Swimming and Fitness Centre: www.buckinghamshireleisure.com/aqua-vale-