



Senior Citizens Christmas Concert

**The students and staff of Langtree School
would like to invite the Senior Citizens
from our wider community to:**

A matinee rehearsal for the Langtree Christmas Concert

**There is no need to have a connection to
Langtree School. Everyone is Welcome**

Wednesday 11th December 2024

From 2.00pm to 4.00pm

Please arrive from 1.45pm

At Langtree School

Transport from Woodcote Village can be arranged

Light refreshments will be served.

**If you would like to join us please contact the
school office or Mary Taylor-Lane
mtaylorlane@langtreeschool.com 01491 680514
Langtree School Reading Road. Woodcote RG8 0RA**

Weekly Bulletin 22nd November 2024

Week Commencing 25th November 2024 **WEEK B**

Report student absence by emailing:
studentabsence@langtreeschool.com

Weekly Bulletin and Letters: <https://www.langtreeschool.com/letters/>

If you have any safeguarding concerns regarding a child please contact:
Ms Burman, Deputy Head Teacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead
sburman@langtreeschool.com Ms Wood, SENCo and Deputy Safeguarding Lead
swood@langtreeschool.com Mrs Belcher, Head of Year 7 & 8, Deputy Safeguarding Lead
bbelcher@langtreeschool.com For further information on Safeguarding please read our Safeguarding Policy in the school website

Transport to School—BUSES INFORMATION
Oxfordshire School Transport information and timetables [HERE](#).
Public Buses: Thames travel Timetables can be found [HERE](#).
Public Buses: Reading Buses 93 (BB3) Timetable can be found [HERE](#).

IMPORTANT DATES

18th November—start of Year 11 Mock Exams	4th December - Y7 Snow Queen Theatre Trip	10th December War Horse Theatre Trip
11th December—Senior Citizens Christmas Party and 11th December—Christmas Concert	19th December —Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day	20th December - Last day of term. School ends at 12.30pm.
Lunch Time and After School CLUBS INFORMATION: HERE	PE CLUBS: HERE	PE Match RESULTS HERE

GENERAL INFORMATION:

ALL YEARS FLU VACCINATIONS: 10th December 2024. Online consent MUST be given through the NHS consent portal: all the information about the vaccinations and a link to the consent portal is contained in [THIS LETTER](#).

LOST UNIFORM: if you find uniform and especially PE kit with another child's name in it in your child's bag over the half term—please drop off at reception and we will return it to its rightful owner. Please name all uniform and PE kit to help us return all lost items, thank you.

Last day of term—20th December: school closes at 12.30pm—school buses will collect students at 12.30pm. Students who travel to school on public buses—Thames Travel and Reading Buses will need to check with the timetable or collect their child that day.

Mr. Wakefield would like to invite applications from Geography students in Y9, 10 and 11 who would like to attend the Peace Education Conference in Oxford on Saturday 25th January 2025. The Conference offers a fabulous opportunity to hear experts from Oxford University talk about some critical global issues such as food security and population growth. You will also have the opportunity to participate in the conference and exchange ideas. I will be taking a group of ten students. I will be inviting students who are interested in attending to meet at lunchtime in Hu3 on Friday 29th November. Details [HERE](#). Please see Mr. Wakefield if you have any questions!

Chess Club is back—see the Clubs link above for more information.

YEAR 7:

Year 7 Theatre Trip—Snow Queen: 3rd December 2024: letter [HERE](#)

YEAR 8:

Year 8 Reports: It has been brought to our attention that some year 8 reports have the letter "T" representing "Working Towards Target" but the key says the letter is "W". We are sorry for this error and will be correcting it on future reports.

Year 8 Activities Week—Barcelona Trip: the itineraries have been updated: [Barcelona Group One Itinerary 2025 – updated 18/11/24](#)
[Barcelona Trip Group Two Itinerary 2025 – updated 18/11/24](#)

Year 8 Online Book Group: If you'd like to participate in the next group, please email Mrs Maunder-Hand kmaunder-hand@langtreeschool.com

Year 8 Theatre trip—War Horse: 10th December 2024 Letter [HERE](#)

YEAR 9:

YEAR 10:

Year 10 GCSE Drama: Theatre trip—War Horse letter [HERE](#)

Year 10 Ski Trip—Dec 2024: all the information for the trip can be found [HERE](#)

YEAR 11:

Year 11 GCSE Mock Exams: Timetable [HERE](#)

Year 11 GCSE Drama: Theatre trip—War Horse letter [HERE](#)

Year 11—information for Year 12 can be found [HERE](#)

CAREERS:

At Langtree we strive to give students in all year groups access to information about careers.

To view the current careers notices please click [HERE](#)

Further Information: [Useful websites](#) [Linking subjects to careers](#)

As a parent, carer or family member, do you wonder what is happening in your child's life and worry about their safety, their ability to make the right choices for themselves? Do you wish you knew more about some of the risks they may encounter, the influences they feel such as online harms or even exploitation by others?

Do you want to help your child feel comfortable to talk to you or to another trusted adult if they don't feel safe or have a concern? Join one of our free, online parent information sessions.

Run by the Ben Kinsella Trust, the leading national charity working to educate young people on the dangers of knife crime, the sessions are run by an expert trainer who has been working with parents across the country.

We want to help all parents to understand the facts behind issues such as:


- Personal safety
- Knife crime
- Exploitation
- Online harm and cyber-bullying
- Signs and symptoms that something is wrong
- How to have those challenging conversations
- Signposting to services that can help you and your children

Each session is held online in a safe and welcoming environment with other parents, with the to build your understanding while also giving time for discussion and questions.

Registration is free – but must be completed in advance by clicking the link [HERE](#):

6.30pm – 8.30pm – Thursday 21 November 2024

If you cannot make one of these dates but would like to be added to a wait-list as new dates become available, email info@staytruetoyou.co.uk



See page 3 for some
brilliant sport
opportunities



STAY TRUE
TO YOU



Girls' rugby session with England U20s and Exeter Chiefs scrum-half Lucy Nye!

Open to all girls from U11-U14s
(school years 6-9)

Sunday 1st December 10-11:30am

HAVE FUN, MAKE NEW FRIENDS,
LOVE RUGBY!

Scan QR code or contact:
Judith.capper@gmail.com

MORE DETAILS &
SIGN UP HERE:



 @wallingford_girls_rugby



 @lucynyee

Benson
TENNIS CLUB

CHAIS
SPORTS

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

10AM

24 NOVEMBER

1PM

BENSON TENNIS CLUB

COME AND JOIN THE FUN!
ALL PLAYERS WELCOME

TO REGISTER INTEREST CONTACT
OFFICE@CHAISSPORTS.CO.UK



To find out more visit:
WWW.CHAISSPORTS.CO.UK





THE ORATORY

CHRISTMAS FAIR

MONDAY 2 DECEMBER
6.00PM – 8.30PM

The Oratory Sports Centre
The Oratory School, Woodcote, RG8 0PJ

Join us for lots of fabulous stalls, games
and delicious treats.
Everyone welcome!

Free
Entry

Raising money for
**SpecialKidz
International**



If you have any
questions, please

contact the PTA Chair
(pta-chair@langtreeschool.com)

The PTA are now registered
with Easy Fundraising

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/>



THE BIG PUSH!

on Independent Reading

Langtree is having a **BIG PUSH** on independent reading; please ensure that your child brings a reading book into school with them every day. Encourage them to seek help from the English Dept if they need support to find a book. Research shows that regular independent reading enhances academic performance, but it also helps improve mental wellbeing and enables students to navigate and explore the world in which they live.

Have a look at our suggested
reading lists:

[Year 7 Reading Recommendations](#)

[KS3 Reading Recommendations](#)

[KS4 Reading Recommendations](#)

[Reading for Pleasure Across the Curriculum](#)



2024 – 2025 Term Dates

Monday 2nd September 2024	Inset Day - no students in school
Tuesday 3rd September	Start of Term 1 for Year 7 students - Induction Day
Wednesday 4th September	Start of Term 1 for all other students.
Thursday 19th September	OPEN EVENING for Year 6 Parents - (Half day school closes at 12.30pm)
Friday 20th September	SPONSORED WALK - all students expected in school
Monday 23rd September	Inset Day - no students in school
Thursday 24th October	END of TERM 1 (As normal 3pm)
Friday 25th October	Inset Day - no students in school
October Break – 26th October – 3rd November 2024	
Monday 4th November	Start of Term 2
Thursday 14 th November	Creativity Day
18th November to 29th November	Year 11 Mock Exams
Monday 2nd December	Inset Day - no students in school
Friday 20th December	END of TERM 2 (Half day school closes at 12.30pm)
Christmas Holiday – 21st December – 5th January	
Monday 6th January 2025	Start of Term 3
Friday 14th February	Creativity Day and END of TERM 3 (As normal 3pm)
February Break – 15th February – 23th February	
Monday 24th February	Start of Term 4
Friday 4th April	END of TERM 4 (As normal 3pm)
Easter Holiday – 5th April - 21st April	
Tuesday 22nd April	Start of Term 5
Monday 5th May	May Day Bank Holiday - school closed
Friday 23rd May	END of TERM 5 (As normal 3pm)
May Holiday – 24th May – 1st June	
Monday 2nd June	Start of Term 6
Thursday 3rd July	Inset Day - no students in school
Friday 4th July	Inset Day - no students in school
14th July to 19th July	Activities Week
Tuesday 22nd July	END of TERM 6 (Half day school closes at 12.30pm)

Well Being Provision at Langtree						
Implementation	7	8	9	10	11	
All	Transition		Transition			Transition
All	<p>Assemblies will always be guided by our core values of Courtesy, Respect and Integrity</p> <p>Tutor activities follow 6 steps to wellbeing:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be Active... Go for a walk or run. Step outside. ... 2. Keep Learning ... Try something new. Rediscover an old interest. ... 3. Give ... Do something nice for a friend, or a stranger. Thank someone. ... 4. Connect ... With the people around you. ... 5. Take Notice ... Be curious. ... 6. Care For The Planet ... look after your community and the world. <p>All students complete a well being survey once a year. Pastoral leaders and tutors will review this information and follow up with any one to one discussions with pupils where appropriate.</p>					
All	6 discreet lessons PSHE/RSE PSHE/RSE Taught in curriculum					
All Year 7s	Student Leaders mentoring sessions					
All	Extra Curricular Clubs	Langtree Challenge	Reflections on progress	Sponsored walk	Creativity days	Activity Week
All	Have a Student PSHE/RSE google classroom / Have a Student Report a Concern page / Resources on the Student Tab for wellbeing					
Targeted Groups	Attendance	Resilience	Connections	Young Carers	Leadership	Exam support
Individual work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report to tutor, HOY, SLT • CAMHs referral • Nomad: mentoring service • ELSA support • 1 to 1 interviews with PP students in 7&8 • Peer mentor - Year 11 students mentor younger years • School nurse • Early Help Assessment (EHA) work with family: Oxford County Council 					
Parental Support	<p>Supporting your child with their mental health Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHs) are holding several webinars for parents. Please use this link to find out more information and to register.</p> <p>Exam stress and anxiety: Wednesday 23rd October Time: 6pm - 7.30pm Supporting young people who self harm: Thursday 28th November 6pm - 7.30pm Promoting resilience: Thursday 30th January 12.30 - 2pm Understanding the teen brain: Tuesday 25th February 6pm - 7.30pm Sleep awareness for parents: Wednesday 12th March 6pm - 7.30pm Supporting Young People who self harm: Thursday 22nd May 12.30 - 2pm Childhood anxiety: Wednesday 4th June 6pm - 7.30pm</p> <p>There is also a live meeting Typical Adolescent Brain development: Friday 27th September 12- 1.30pm. Sandford-on-thames. Village Hall. Henley Road. Oxford. OX4 4YN. Limited spaces- book your ticket by emailing sarah.woods@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk</p> <p>Useful websites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting well being: https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/ • A useful leaflet Coping with self - harm: A guide for parents and carers • Supporting well Being https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/ • Please also signpost your child to Langtree's Student Well Being page on the school website. • Supporting young people with grief: https://seesaw.org.uk/ <hr/> <p>Financial advice: https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/getting-financial-advice/ / Advice regarding housing Food Banks: Wallingford Whitchurch United: Students (age 5 - 25 living in Whitchurch may benefit from a charitable fund aimed at helping them with their education such as sports equipment, music lessons etc. Applications received twice a year - for more information search for Whitchurch United Charities, email: whitchurchunitedcharities@gmail.com or call 01189844262</p> <p>Hosting Ukranian Family If you are hosting a Ukranian family you may be able to access funds from the parish of Checkendon, Contact the vicar Rev Canon K Davies : langtreechurches1-office@yahoo.com</p> <p>Help with Heating Homes Oxfordshire County Council is part of a scheme called Better Housing, Better Health, which can support methods of heating homes giving grants, heating appliances and advice. See bhbh.org.uk</p> <p>Community Hub Household Support Fund Please see South Oxfordshire District Council website for ways the community may be able to support you. communitysupport@southandvale.gov.uk</p> <p>Pupil Premium (top up funds for students) Please see our website for information regarding Pupil Premium funds: and see https://langtreeschool.com/pupil-premium/</p> <hr/> <p>Protecting your child online</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice for parents regarding online parental controls: if in doubt, call the NSPCC's helpline counsellors on 0808 800 5000 <hr/> <p>Supporting your child with concerns or questions about healthy sexual relationships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online pornography: how to keep your child safe • Online sexual harassment: pornography, editing photos and body image, sharing nudes, peer pressure, sexualised bullying <p>Please also see our RSE policy on our school website.</p> <hr/> <p>Supporting parents knowledge of drugs Information about drugs</p> <hr/> <p>National Domestic Abuse Helpline: 0800 2000 247 Recognising domestic abuse: NSPCC website</p>					
Road Safety	<p>Parents and students must read and agree to the following Cycling to School rules:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All bicycles must be roadworthy and appropriate for the age of the student in terms of frame size and seat height. All bikes must have brakes that work safely. 2. Students must wear a helmet to cycle to and from school and this helmet must be visible to school staff when students enter the school site. Helmets must be stored in lockers during the school day. 3. When students leave the Reading Road, they must dismount their bike and walk the bike to the cycle storage areas. 4. During the winter months when cycling to and from school in the dark, parents will ensure that students wear reflective clothing and that all bikes have front and rear lights. 5. All students will cycle in a safe manner and take into account pedestrians and other school children. 6. All students will refrain from listening to music through earphones whilst cycling to school. 					