



**WELLS CHRISTMAS TIDE FESTIVAL 2024
FESTIVE GREETINGS TO ONE AND ALL.**

We are delighted to be presenting our 2024 Wells Christmas Tide Festival. Over the years we have brought seasonal fun to our town, whatever your age, we trust you will enjoy this festive occasion again.

Please ensure you get around all parts of our town and enjoy the different attractions we have again lined up for you.

You are all invited to sing-along and dance to the various Bands and enjoy the festive atmosphere. Visit the many stalls positioned around the town for your christmas gifts and more.

We have not forgotten the children. There are many activities for the children to participate in, along with shows and many surprise guests appearances. Of course we need to light up our Town and we will be switching the lights on around 4.45pm.

The lantern parade will assemble at the top of Staithe Street. When all are assembled the piper will set off for the Quay. He will be followed by the fire eaters, who will be escorted by a team of officials, for your safety, and the lantern bearers. On reaching the Quay the parade will be welcomed by the Harbour Master.

Santa will arrive, from the North Pole on an illuminated vessel led by a flotilla of illuminated small boats. On reaching the Quay, his arrival will be announced by a spectacular firework display. After coming ashore Santa will be transported to the Maltings where he will be hosting guests in his grotto.

Please give him a big loud welcome so he can hear you over the sound of the fantastic firework extravaganza.



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EVENT TIMETABLE

PLEASE NOTE ALL TIMINGS ARE APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

FRIDAY 29th NOVEMBER 10am

Christmas Tree Festival opens in the Congregational Hall, Clubs Lane, every day.
Friday 4pm until 7pm and Saturday and Sunday, 10am - 4pm ish.

FRIDAY EVENING FROM 6-00pm ONWARDS :

Carol Singing on the Buttlands with Hunstanton band, and Mike Fox.

SATURDAY 30th NOVEMBER

10.00am

The Piper will march down Staithe street to start the festive proceedings.
Opening of all christmas / craft stalls in health centre – Staithe street – Maltings
all food outlets in Staithe street car park will begin to operate.
Festive funfair on Quayside will open.
The Christmas tree festival and refreshments re-opens.

10.30am to 4-30pm

(PLEASE NOTE TIME OF PERFORMANCES WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT EACH LOCATION)

Entertainers - bands - workshops will commence throughout the day in and around the town.

Fakenham Ukes /Bellfolk /Christmas Punch & Judy /Norwich Samba Band / Mike Fox

The 2nd Suns Band / Charlie Cheesecake / Primo Robot /Thundermental /

The Dave the Piper/Blakney Wild Rovers/ Super Stilt Walkers / face Painter.

4-45pm - 5pm

Outside Arthur Howell's deli, in Staithe street.

The traditional switching on of the towns lights by David Whiteley from ITV Anglia.

Followed by the lantern parade at 5-15 pm down Staithe Street towards the Quayside to greet Santa.

For safety reasons please do not encroach on the parade while it is moving.

5-45pm

Santa will arrive at the Quayside, from the North Pole, accompanied by a flotilla of illuminated boats. Followed by a Firework Spectacular, over the marshes ,filling the town with a riot of Colour and Bangs.

Please be warned there may be a high tide if the winds blow, thus there could be wet feet.!

6-15pm (Approx)

SANTA'S GROTTTO will be open at the Maltings . Please book your tickets at Maltings
"GOOD NEWS" SANTA IS RESTING OVERNIGHT and WOULD LOVE TO SEE MORE CHILDREN ON SUNDAY

Sunday 1st December

The Malting gift and craft stalls will be open all day until 5pm