

Gloucestershire Wassail

Wassail, wassail, all over the town
Our toast it is white and our cider is brown
Our bowl it is made of the white maple tree
With a wassailing bowl, we'll drink to thee

And here is to Dobbin and to his right eye
May god send our master a good Christmas pie
A good Christmas pie that maybe I'll see
With a wassailing bowl, we'll drink to thee

And here is to Collie and to her long tail
May god send our master a good Christmas ale
A good Christmas ale that maybe I'll see
With a wassailing bowl, we'll drink to thee

And here is to Tomte and to his red hat.
May god send our master a good Christmas cat
A good Christmas cat that maybe I'll see
With a wassailing bowl, we'll drink to thee

And here's to the maid in the lily white smock
Who tripped to the door and slipped back the lock
Who tripped to the door and pulled back the pin
For to let us jolly wassailers come in

Auld Lang Syne

Should auld acquaintance be forgot
And never brought to mind
Should auld acquaintance be forgot.
And days of auld lang syne.

For auld lang syne my dear.
For auld lang syne.
We'll take a cup of kindness
yet for auld lang syne

We twa hae run about the braes.
And pou'd the gowans fine.
But we've wandered monie a weary mile.
Since auld lang syne.



the
Village Charter School
presents

Winter Solstice

• **Solstice Eve is Here**
Procession

• **Lantern Song**
Miss Malika

• **Long Night Moon**
Miss Malika (*Poem*)

• **The Moon**
Miss Kristen (*Poem*)

• **God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen**
Miss Kristen, B², Ashley!

• **I Heard a Bird Sing**
Miss Kristen, B², Ashley!

• **'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime**
Miss Kristen, B², Ashley!

• **On the Winter Solstice**
Ashley! (*Poem*)

• **When**
Miss Barnum

• **Reindeer Lullaby**
Miss Barnum

• **The Shortest Day**
Mr. Robbins (*Poem*)

• **Jingle Bells**
Miss Malika & Mr. Robbins

• **All You Need is Love**
All School

• **Wassail**
All School

• **Auld Lang Syne**
All School

Solstice Eve is Here

Solstice eve is here, see the moon is waking
Solstice eve is here, clear and cold the night
Trudging through the snow go the quiet people
Trudging through the snow go the quiet people
Solstice eve is here, clear and cold the night

People on the road carry lighted lanterns
Hear the ringing bells playing merry chimes
Solstice day is here, day of joy and gladness
Solstice day is here, day of joy and gladness
Bringing peace on earth and good will to all

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

God rest ye merry gentlemen
Let nothing you dismay
Remember that the sun returns
And dark will pass away
The moon shall brighten up our night
As sun shall light the day
Oh tidings of comfort and joy
Comfort and joy
Oh tidings of comfort and joy

I Heard a Bird Sing

I heard a bird sing in the dark of December
A magical thing and sweet to remember
We are nearer to spring than we were in September
I heard a bird sing in the dark

Cold wind, grey sky
Black bird on a white field
Bringing me a prophecy of warmth and light
Telling me to hold on through the frozen night



Lantern Song

I walk outside with my lantern.
My lantern walks with me
Above the stars are shining.
Down here on earth shine we
I walk in the night, this Solstice night
the longest night of the year
I walk in the night, this Solstice night
the longest night of the year



'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime

'Twas in the moon of wintertime
When all the birds had fled
The moon was new, it shed no light
So yule logs burned instead
Before the fire the stars grew dim
And wandering hunters heard of a hymn
Now's when the sun returns
Light shall return
In excelsis gloria
Oh children of the forest free
Oh kin of Manitou
For sacred gifts of heaven and earth
We all give thanks with you
And so we hail this winter moon
With joyful heart and ancient tune

When

When the sunlight fades away.
When the darkness spreads about.
And the brightness will not stay.
And the stars come twinkling out.
Candles flicker and they glow,
lighting up the falling snow.
Celebrate the deep and cold,
warmth shall return and lights unfold.
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A Reindeer Lullaby

Over the crust of hard white snow
The little feet of reindeer go
Hush, hush, the winds are low
And five little bells are ringing

Nothing can reach thee of woe or harm
Safe is the shelter of mother's arm
Hush, hush, the wind's a charm
And grandmother's voice is singing



Jingle Bells

Dashing through the snow
In a one horse open sleigh
O'er the fields we go
Laughing all the way
Bells on bobtails ring
Making spirits bright
What fun it is to ride and sing
A sleighing song tonight

Jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way
Oh what fun it is to ride
in a one horse open sleigh - Hey!
Jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way
Oh what fun it is to ride
in a one horse open sleigh

A day or two ago
I thought I'd take a ride
And soon Miss Fanny Bright
Was seated by my side
The horse was lean and lank
Misfortune seemed his lot
We got into a drifted bank
And - Whee! We got upst

Now the ground is white
Go it while you're young
Take the girls tonight (and the boys!)
and sing a sleighing song
Just get a bobtail nag
Choose him for his speed
Hitch him to an open sleigh
and - Crack! You'll take the lead