Christmas Drawing Competition

Help us share our fire safety messages!

Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service (RBFRS) is inviting children and young people across Berkshire to get creative and help us share some important fire safety messages this Christmas.

We are running a Christmas drawing competition, with young people invited to create a festive picture inspired by one of our fire safety tips.

We'll use selected drawings as part of our festive safety campaign, helping us to share these important messages with communities across Berkshire. Where a picture is featured, we would also like to recognise the young artist by including their first name and age alongside their artwork. By entering the competition, parents/carers should be aware that their young person's first name, age and artwork may be shared by RBFRS as part of our Christmas safety campaign.

Fire Safety Tips

We would love young people to choose one of the following safety messages and bring it to life in their own way:

🎄 **Christmas tree lights**
Check your Christmas tree lights carry the British Safety Standard sign and turn any lights off when you go to bed.
Drawing idea: a beautifully decorated Christmas tree with someone switching the lights off before heading upstairs to bed.

🚨 **Smoke alarms**
Test your smoke alarms weekly. They can provide a vital early warning in case of a fire.
Drawing idea: a family testing their smoke alarm together and giving a big thumbs-up when it works.

🍳 **Cooking safely**
Never leave cooking unattended.
Drawing idea: someone preparing Christmas dinner while keeping a careful eye on the oven or hob.

🔥 **Open fireplaces**
Take care around open fireplaces as clothing can catch fire.
Drawing idea: a family enjoying a cosy Christmas scene while keeping a safe distance from the fireplace.

💔 **Looking out for others**
Take time to check on elderly friends and relatives this Christmas, as they may be at a greater risk of fire.
Drawing idea: a child and their family visiting an older friend, neighbour or relative and helping them test their smoke alarm.

🏆 A special prize for our winner!

The competition will run from now until 3rd December 2026. The winning drawing will be used as the **RBFRS Christmas Card** for this year, giving one young artist the opportunity to see their artwork helping us spread our Christmas message.

The winner will also be invited to visit their local fire station and meet their local firefighters as a special thank you for helping us promote fire safety this Christmas.

👉 How to take part

Each entry should include the young person's:

- First name
- Age
- School
- Christmas safety drawing

Please send entries to: communications@rbfrs.co.uk

Or by FREEPOST to:

FAO J Watson (Comms)
Freepost RTLB-REXS-JBXZ
Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service
Newsham Court Pincents Kiln
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Closing date: 3rd December 2026