

## In brief

## Resurfacing work means traffic diverted

**FOXHALL:** Traffic heading towards the A12 along Foxhall Road during the night will be diverted through Kesgrave this week as resurfacing work is taking place near the household waste centre. The eastbound lane is being resurfaced near the roundabout and will be closed from tomorrow until next Monday between midnight and 6am. It will remain open for pedestrians and cyclists during these hours.

## Weekly market will be on Christmas Eve

**WOODBIDGE:** The town council has confirmed the weekly Thursday retail market will be trading as normal on Thursday, December 24 at the Hamblin Road II Car Park. The market offers local produce including fruit, vegetables, cheeses, smoked meats, bread and pastries. For more information on the market or to enquire about setting up a stall in the new tear, visit [www.woodbridge.suffolk.gov.uk](http://www.woodbridge.suffolk.gov.uk)

## Teenage thief seen breaking into car

**IPSWICH:** A would-be thief ran off empty-handed after being disturbed while breaking into a car. A man was seen to break into a blue Audi A4 TDI parked in Fonnereau Road near to the junction with Tower Street at around 11.15am on Tuesday. After being disturbed the offender ran off towards Crown Street. He is described as white, aged 11 to 13, about 5ft tall, of slim build, with dark gelled hair and was wearing a dark coloured tracksuit with grey on the sleeves and the chest as well as white trainers. Anyone with information should call Ipswich CIB on 01473 613500.

## Everyone welcome to attend police surgery

**IPSWICH:** Police officers from the Ipswich north east Safer Neighbourhood Team are inviting people to attend a police surgery on Wednesday. The event is taking place at the north east SNT base at 118 Heath Road. It will start at 10am and is expected to come to an end at around midday. Everyone is welcome.

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**PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT:** Northgate High School pupils who took their cameras to the Cornhill to take pictures of the Christmas lights switch-on.

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## Students snap into action

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**HANDS UP:** Emma Whitten's photograph of Antony Costa and, below, Tom Rose's fairy image



**IPSWICH:** The town centre was in true festive spirit during the Christmas lights switch-on – as these pictures from Northgate High School students show.

Ice maidens on stilts, dancing elves, human statues and the cast of this year's pantomime Jack and the Beanstalk kept the crowds entertained at last Thursday's late-night shopping.

Ex-Blue star Antony Costa, who is playing the lead role in this year's show at The Regent, also posed for snaps after turning on the lights on The Cornhill.

The event, titled Statues to Surprises, was one of a series of themed nights running alongside weekly late-night shopping until December 17, organised by Ipswich Central and Ipswich Borough Council.

It clearly had a magical effect on pupils at Northgate High School, who were out as part of their photography project.

The images varied from simple but vibrant pictures of the switch-on like Barnaby Kent's shot of Anthony Costa with the elves to Tom Rose's delightfully coloured picture of children in red.

Panto fever is rising in Ipswich – the New Wolsey's production of the Wok and Roll panto is already attracting the crowds while at the other end of the town excitement is mounting ahead of the start of the star-studded Regent show Jack and the Beanstalk which runs from December 19 to January 10.

To book tickets, call 01473 433100 or go online at [www.ipswichregent.com](http://www.ipswichregent.com)

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**MAGIC MOMENTS:** Barnaby Kent's picture of former Blue star Antony Costa with the elves and, below, a picture from Tom Rose



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