Where to start planning for Christmas

It is good to pre-plan. You can start whenever I used to do it from January onwards but this has changed but I do save and I do set a budget. So here are tips on how to start.

- Who do you want to buy gifts for and start to browse online and in stores of ideas.
- Don’t spend money yet until you chat with those you are buying gifts for and I ask those I buy gifts for of what they would like.
- I check charity shops, supermarkets and high street stores both high end and low end and if it something they can use or wear years to come or something like food that has a expiry date and check expiry to plan when is the best time to buy it, has a long date.
- freeze food. At Christmas stores will be having deals and I bought two packets of pigs n Blankets for £5 or you can do your own and freeze them and the same with Christmas dinner vegetables.
- Check the stores to see where the best place is for a turkey or whatever you have as a Christmas dinner and one year I am going to have Chinese just to be different and we have gone away at Christmas.
- Check the travel if you have guests coming from various places or if you are travelling to a friends or families home for the festive season and the best way.
- Have your kids writing their letters to Santa and do a list ready to send to him.
- Then it is time to create wish lists and fill the baskets and check delivery time.

