



# NEWSLETTER

**Friday 29 November 2024**

Dear Families,

Welcome to the penultimate Newsletter of Autumn 2 as we are fast approaching the Christmas holidays. I hope you have plans for a joyous festive break with your loved ones. This Sunday marks the season of Advent and our advent wreath reminds us of the key messages of Peace, Love, Joy and Hope, with Jesus at the centre. I will be talking to the children next week about the theme of Hope and how this time, in the run up to the festivities, is about not getting caught up in the hustle and bustle of the season, but rather about making time to be together and appreciating one another.

In this week's edition there is an update about parking as we have been asked by the Police to remind parents about being respectful to our neighbours during drop off and pick ups. Can I also remind you that the turning circle is not to be used for parking on and this includes before and after school. Also, as the nights are drawing in, can I please remind parents that collection from clubs, particularly for our younger children, is vital. Walking in the dark does pose additional risks that we feel can be mitigated by picking them up!

It was lovely to see so many of you at Collective Worship for Rowan Class yesterday. They did a brilliant job of telling us how faith can change lives and about the important work of Mother Teresa. A big well done to all involved for preparing the children so beautifully.

Please do check out our Christmas page inside as there are a number of updates including, information about the PTA Christmas Fayre, Christmas Concert tickets, food hamper update and an invite to the community singalong which will take place during Good News Gathering on Friday 13 December.

A big thank you to parents who have enquired about the position of Parent Governor, if I could ask you to return to your nomination forms by Friday 6 December, as we may need to put the vote out to the parent body before the holidays begin.

Before signing off for the weekend, can I thank you for your continued efforts to ensure your children are in school on time. Following the recent letters sent out about attendance, I do need to confirm that if your child is later than 9.15am this is recorded as unauthorised and this does impact their overall attendance figure.

The only exception to this is when school is difficult to access (last week's Snow Policy as an example of this in which late arrivals are allowed).

Have a lovely weekend and see you on Monday for our first week of December.

M Mulhall



## ATTENDANCE

**4 November - 22 November 2024**

**School Target is 97%.**

Parents will be contacted if attendance falls to 93%. Parents will be called in for a meeting with the Family Support Worker/Local Authority if attendance falls below 90%.

	Attendance
Apple Class	96.86%
Cherry Class	96.43%
Rowan Class	94.98%
Oak Class	92.60%
Whole School	95.06%

## Upcoming Dates

6 December	Christmas Fayre 5.00pm - 7.00pm
9 December	Christmas Concert - 2.00pm
10 December	Christmas Concert - 6.30pm
11 December	Christmas Dinner
12 December	Christmas Concert - 6.30pm
13 December	Community Singalong 9.00am—10.00
18 December	Christmas Service at Christ Church 9.00am
	Christmas Jumper Day
	Christmas Party - afternoon
20 December	Christmas Pantomime - afternoon
20 December	Close for Christmas and New Year
6 January	Children back in school
14 February	Closed for half term
24 February	INSET Day
25 February	Children back in school
4 April	Close for half term
22 April	Children back in school
5 May	Bank Holiday
22 May	Closed for half term
23 May	INSET Day
2 June	Children back in school



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## PTA Christmas Fayre

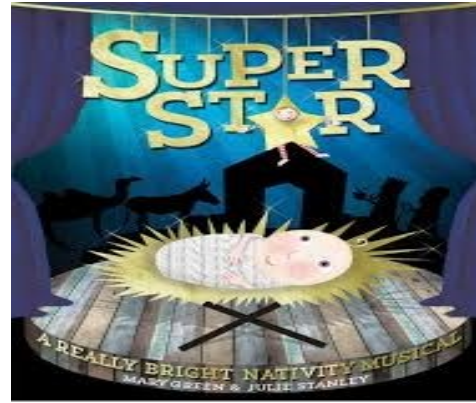
We are really looking forward to our Christmas Fayre on Friday 6 December 5.00pm until 7.00pm. Thank you for the donations this morning of bottles for the tombola. A big shout out to all our helpers and especially Mrs Pickering who has worked really hard with the PTA to organise this exciting event. Do come and join us for a hot dog and a mulled wine!



## Christmas Concert Tickets

You should have received a letter to order tickets for the Christmas Play, if not, please see Sue in the office. Tickets will be sent out on Friday 6 December.

Enjoy!



## Food Hampers

Mrs Bott and I will be out and about delivering food hampers in the last week of term. We have been provided a list of eligible families from the local Authority, but if you are struggling, please do get in touch with me as sometimes we do have spares and would like them to go to those in need.



## Community Singalong

Friday 13 December will be a community singalong in place of Good News Gathering. This will be the final collective worship of this half term as the final Friday is already choc-a-bloc with Christmas activities. The children will be performing some Christmas songs for you to sing along with and will be from 9.00am until around 10.00am, depending on how over excited Mr Mulhall gets!





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## Blue Peter

A huge well done to Sofia who has performed with the Halle Children's Choir! The episode is due to air on Friday 13 December and we look forward to watching it as it sounds superb.



## Parking

Can I please remind all parents to be considerate when parking on the streets around school, being mindful of local residents. There have been some complaints about neighbours being blocked in, and the police have asked for your support in this matter. They are due to work with the children after Christmas on a traffic survey at drop-off times, to ensure everybody is following the rules, especially not parking on the turning circle after school.



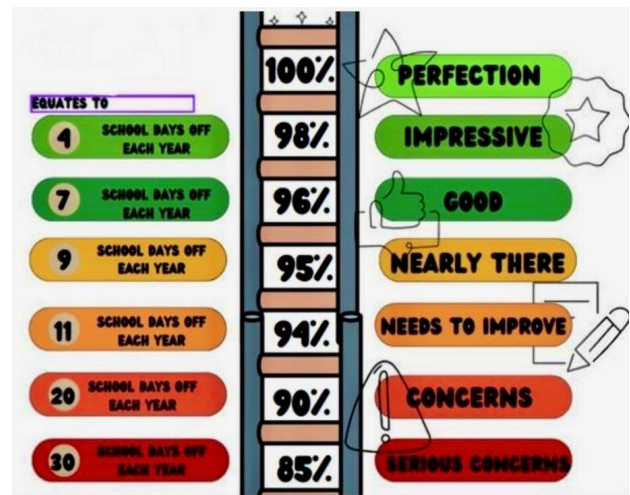
## EDIJ (Staff CPD)

Mrs Bott and Miss Jones have recently attended the Chester Diocesan Board of Education Senior Leaders Conference on Racial Justice and Empowering Change. They were very inspired by the keynote speakers and we are in the process of organising a 'Show Racism the Red Card' training event, which we are hoping to deliver in collaboration with our local Glossop School's Cluster. The day has provided much food for thought as we continue to strengthen our approach to cultural diversity and really celebrating what we have in common regardless of our differences.



## Attendance

Thank you to all parents who came to the attendance meetings this week. It is good to see class attendance is on the rise. Anything above 95% is classed as good attendance, but our school attendance target is 97%.





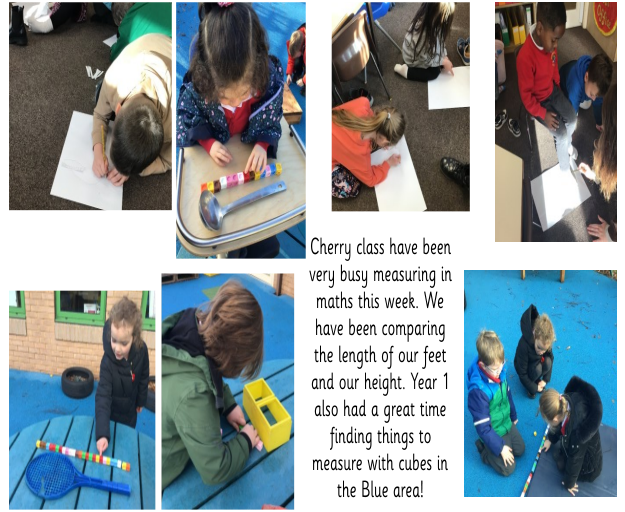
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## Apple Class



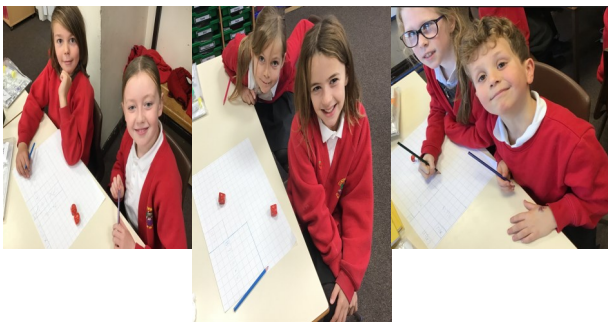
We have been learning about the Artist Paul Klee this week in Art. We painted our homes using different shapes and bright colours!

## Cherry Class



Cherry class have been very busy measuring in maths this week. We have been comparing the length of our feet and our height. Year 1 also had a great time finding things to measure with cubes in the Blue area!

## Rowan Class



In Rowan class, we've been practising our times tables by rolling dice to form multiplications. We looked at how to represent our answers through different arrays.

## Oak Class



Oak Class took part in a historic field trip of our local area. We looked at how our local area has changed over time. Mrs Harrison told us lots of interesting facts...we particularly enjoyed hearing about the stocks!



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## School Routines:

The school gates open at 8:55am.

Apple Class—School Ends 3:25pm

Cherry Class/Rowan Class/Oak Class—School Ends 3:30pm

## General Reminders:

Children in Cherry Class/Rowan Class/Oak Class come to school in their PE kit on their PE day. Pumps can be left in school.

Cherry Class need to bring their book bag on a Wednesday and they will be given back out on a Friday with new homework, library and reading book. Homework back must be back in each Wednesday.

Rowan Class should have their book bags in daily.

Rowan goes out on a Friday and should be in by the following Thursday.

Homework in Oak Class goes out on a Thursday and comes in on a Thursday, children in Oak Class should bring their reading books in daily.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM/PE DAYS

Thank you for your support in sending children in in their PE kits. Please do send pumps in to school for the children's pegs for indoor activities.

### PE Days

Apple Class - Tuesday  
Cherry Class - Tuesday  
Rowan Class- Monday  
Oak Class- Wednesday

### Forest School Days

Apple Class - Wednesday pm  
Rowan Class— Friday pm

## Tintwistle Teacher Clubs Next Week: TBC

DATE	TIME	TEACHER & CLUB	CLASSES
Monday	3.30	Mrs Bott Choir	2, 3 & 4
Wednesday	12.30	Homework Club	All
Wednesday	3:30	Dance Club	3 & 4

## CLUBS

Clubs fill up fast due the wide range of exciting activities on offer, please do book sessions as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. We are now able to offer up to 15 places per club. Please book by email to

clubbookings@tintwistle.derbyshire.sch.uk

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning	8.00-8.55am £5	8.00-8.55am £5	8.00-8.55am £5	8.00-8.55am £5	8.00-8.55am £5
After School	<b>CRAFT CLUB</b>  3.30-5.30pm £5p/h  <b>YOUNG VOICES</b>  3.30-4.30pm free	<b>MESSY SCIENCE</b>  3.30-5.30pm £5p/h  <b>KS2 SPORTS</b>  3.30-4.30pm free	<b>FOREST SCHOOL</b>  3.30-5.30pm £5p/h  <b>DANCE CLUB</b>  3.30-4.30pm free	<b>CREATION CLUB</b>  3.30-5.30pm £5p/h	<b>LEGO CLUB</b>  3.30-5.30pm £5p/h

Dear Lord,

As we move into the Season of Advent,  
We ask that you fill us with the Hope that Jesus brings.  
Let the light that you shine into the world bring joy and love at this special time,  
Especially for those who are struggling and feel in the dark.

As we wait patiently,  
Let us be filled with the joy of the season,  
But also take time to find peace in the little things,  
Finding time to really enjoy being with our family and friends and appreciating all that we have.

May you keep us all in your light at this special time of year  
Amen

Read by Georgia

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