



Sowe Valley Primary School

Newsletter

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1st December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our trip to the Belgrade Theatre on Thursday was spectacular, the children were absolutely mesmerised and behaved impeccably, they were a credit to the school.

The bauble making today was a huge success, it was lovely to see so many of you in school. I am sure you will agree that the school is looking very festive.

Rehearsals are well under way for our Lower Phase performances on 12th & 13th December, please remember this is a ticket only event, please let the office know if you would like free tickets. (Maximum 2 per family)

The school disco is next Friday, tickets for this need to be purchased in advance then we can buy enough drinks and snacks for each child. Tickets are £3 per child and available from the office.

Have a lovely weekend

Miss White



Birthdays this week

Toni - Year 5

Ruby - Year 6



FSM Vouchers

Unfortunately, FSM vouchers will not longer be issued. Please see the back page for the information received from Coventry City Council.

Term Dates

2023/2024

Autumn Term

Monday 4th September 2023 to
Friday 27th October 2023
(Monday 4th September is a
teacher training day)

Half Term Holiday

Monday 30th October 2023 to
Friday 3rd November 2023

Autumn term (continued)

Monday 6th November 2023 to
Friday 22nd December 2023
(Monday 6th November is a
teacher training day)

Spring term

Monday 8th January 2024 to
Friday 9th February 2024
(Monday 8th January is a teacher
training day)

Half Term Holiday

Monday 12th February 2024 to
Friday 16th February 2024

Spring Term (continued)

Monday 19th February 2024 to
Friday 22nd March 2024

Easter Holiday

Monday 25th March 2024 to
Friday 5th April 2024

Summer Term

Monday 8th April 2024 to
Friday 24th May 2024

Bank Holiday Monday 6th May
2024

Half Term Holiday

Monday 27th May 2024 to
Friday 31st May 2024

Summer Term (continued)

Monday 3rd June 2024 to
Friday 19th July 2024
(Monday 3rd June is a teacher
training day)



TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

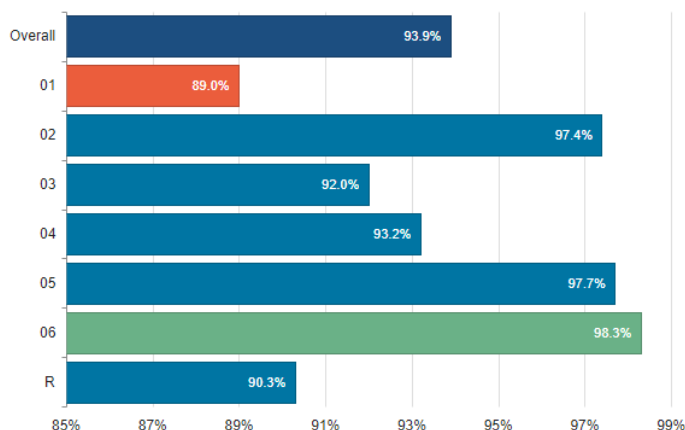
Class Competitions

Tuesday 5th December 2023
Year 2 to Year 6



Could you be one of our next winners?

Attendance - 20th November - 24th November



A whole year has 365
days

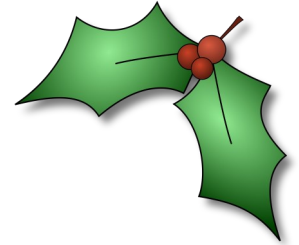
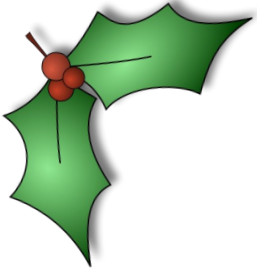
A school year has
only 190 days

This leaves: 175 days
to spend on family
time, visits, holi-
days, birthday treats,
dentist and hospital
appointments!



Years 1, 2 & 5 made
some baubles this week
for the St Bartholomews
tree festival. Please try
and pop along to have a
look, they did an
amazing job.





Christmas Dates for your diary

5th December - Year 2 trip

8th December - Christmas Disco R - Y6

12th December - R, Y1 & Y2 concert 2.00pm

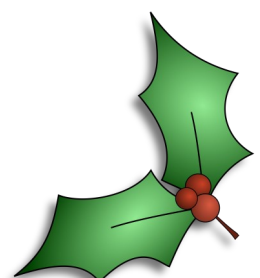
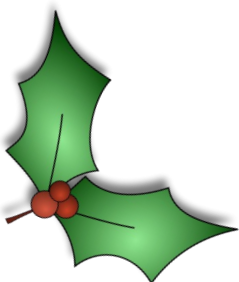
13th December - R, Y1 & Y2 concert 9.30am

20th December - Whole School Christmas lunch

20th December - Christmas Jumper day

21st December - Christmas parties in school

22nd December - Talent show



Please see below a letter from the local authority regarding vouchers for those on free school meals.

Changes to the Household Support Fund (HSF).

Coventry received an allocation of a government grant called the Household Support Fund (HSF), to cover this financial year (1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024). This fund is designed to be used to support households in the most need due to financial hardship, particularly those who may not qualify for other types of government support.

The City Council has used this to support residents with fuel, food, clothing and bedding, household appliances, household furniture and vouchers for children and young people entitled to free school meals during school holiday periods.

Unfortunately, the grant received for this financial year has not been sufficient to meet the level of demand and has already been nearly totally allocated. As a result, Coventry City Council has had to make difficult decisions as there is insufficient funding for everything it would like to support. This means that we will be unable to provide funding to schools to pay for food vouchers for pupils eligible for free school meals in the Christmas 23 and February 24 school holidays.

If you need to access food support, this continues to be available through application to the Household Support Fund: www.coventry.gov.uk/householdsupportfund. This includes the provision of three emergency food parcels to support households in the short term and work with the Coventry Food Network to support residents in exploring longer term options through engagement with a Community Supermarket.

Children and young people eligible for universal-benefits Free School Meals can also access our Coventry Holiday Activities and Food Programme offer. This includes free holiday activities all with nutritional food provided for the child. For more details please go to: <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/haf>