

# DUKE STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024



## Head Lines

### READING PERCENTAGES

ACORN: 90%  
ROSE: 55%  
TULIP: 45%  
ACER: 70%  
SPRUCE: 79%  
REDWOOD: 57%  
MAPLE 58%  
BEECH: 93%  
ROWAN: 56%  
POPLAR: 72%  
SYCAMORE 82%  
CHESTNUT: 54%

Thank you to everyone who supported the 'Chocolate Tombola' and raffle yesterday and to all the parents who have attended the KS2 family Christmas sessions earlier in the week. The children have loved having you in school. We raised £582.40 from the tombola and raffle which is greatly appreciated.

A reminder that we still have our Reception and Y6 buddies singing songs around the Christmas tree to their families on Monday and our KS1 Christmas play performances on Wednesday and Thursday. There are still some tickets available for this from Mrs Nicholls in the school office.

In addition to the events above, we also have a visit from the West Midlands Theatre Company to look forward to on Thursday. They will be performing their production of Snow White for the whole school.

Our very popular half termly attendance pizza parties will also be taking place next week for the classes with the highest KS1 and KS2 attendance this half term AND we have our half termly winning house point champions to announce too.

*It's going to be a very busy end to the term.*

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

ACORN: 94.0%  
ROSE: 97.8%  
TULIP: 97.8%  
ACER: 93.0%  
REDWOOD: 98.6%  
SPRUCE: 99.3%  
MAPLE: 92.2%  
BEECH: 95.5%  
ROWAN: 97.5%  
POPLAR: 97.2%  
SYCAMORE: 95.0%  
CHESTNUT: 96.8%  
**OVERALL: 96.1%**  
**School Target: 96%**

### Perfect Punctuality Pointers

- Remember in **KS1 & KS2**, school opens at 8:45 AM and all children should be **IN CLASS** before 8:55 AM. In school, but not in class, doesn't count.
- Remember **reception classes** open at 8.40 AM and all children should be **IN CLASS** before 8:45 AM.



We would love to see every class rolling the Classopoly dice next week!

Class Attendance

96%+ =



## Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) information

For parents/carers of children with SEND or concerned regarding a possible need you can access all relevant information on the following link on our school website;

You can also contact the school office if you wish to make contact with Mr Reay (SENDCo) and an appointment can be made at a convenient time. Additionally the Local Authority have lots of useful information on the following links;

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/>

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/getting-help/send-newsletter/>

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/things-to-do/break-time/>



## **Safeguarding/Outreach**

A Dads and Male Carers Group Brunch Club will run monthly next year from Duke Street Neighbourhood Hub.

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April

9.30am-11am

No need to book, just turn up.

This group is suitable for children under 11 years.



# Award Winners

CLASS	MATHS	ENGLISH	ICARE
Acorn	Eesa	Kai	Isaac
Rose	Hunter	Layla	Harlee-Rose
Tulip	Ryder	Hugo	Darcie
Acer	Scarlett	Sienna	Faith
Spruce	Husna	Layla	Charlie
Redwood	Lexi	Oscar	Nevaeh
Maple	Mason	Kayson	Nathan
Beech	Evie	Eleanor	Iqra
Rowan	Luca	Teegan	Jonathan
Poplar	Thomas	Nicole	Christopher
Sycamore	Dylan	Jan	Sam
Chestnut	All of Chestnut	For their hard work	practising SAT's

## KS1 Numbots Highest Coin Earners

1<sup>st</sup>: Harrison from Redwood

 2<sup>nd</sup>: Ibrahim from Redwood

3<sup>rd</sup>: Darcy from Redwood

## KS2 T.T.R.S. Highest Coin Earners

1<sup>st</sup>: Ali from Chestnut

2<sup>nd</sup>: Yasin from Chestnut

3<sup>rd</sup>: Zeynep from Rowan

CLASS	OVERALL ACTIVE MINUTES
Spruce	605
Acer	617
Redwood	544
Maple	296
Beech	285
Rowan	384
Poplar	275
Sycamore	372
Chestnut	412

# Photo Gallery (see X for more pictures)



Acorn class had a fantastic visit to the Gruffalo Clubhouse in Blackpool.



Happy Christmas Jumper day from Tulip class.

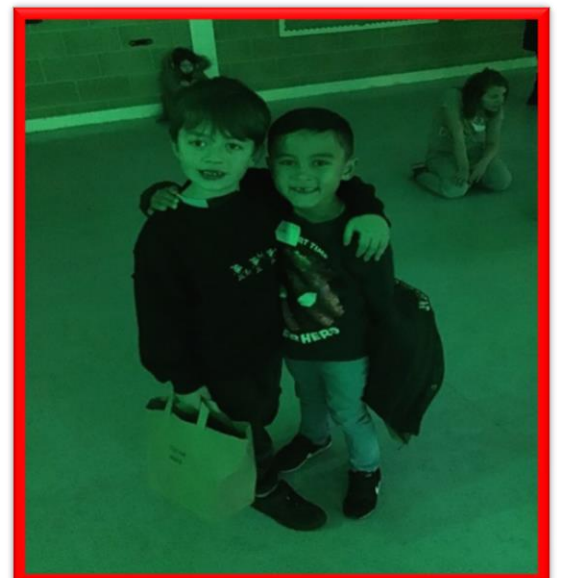


Beech class with books from Day 6.7.8 and 9 of the Book Advent Calendar

Rowan have been learning about fossils.



We have had a fabulous Enrichment Day today. A big thank you goes to Mr Reay who has organised this event.



## TERM DATES

Term ends Fri 20th December 2024

***(Please note school will close 1 hour earlier than usual: 2.05 pm for Rose and Tulip, 2.15 pm for all other classes.)***

### **Spring Term 2025**

Term starts Mon 6th January 2025

Half-term Mon 17th to Fri 21st Feb 2025 (inclusive)

Term ends Fri 4th April 2025

### **Summer Term 2025**

Term starts Tue 22nd April 2025

Bank holiday Mon 5th May 2025

Half-term Mon 26th May to Wed 4th June 2025 (inclusive)

Return after half-term break Thursday 5th June 2025

Term ends Fri 18th July 2025

## Diary Dates

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December:** Reception and Year 6 buddy songs around the Christmas tree starts at 2.15 pm.

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December:** KS1 Christmas play performance (2.30 pm)

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December:** KS1 Christmas play performance (9.30 am)

