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Sitwell Infant School



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Message from Mrs Peart

As we come to the end of another wonderful year, I want to thank all members of our school community for their hard work and support over the past 12 months. It has been another amazing year with so many brilliant memories!

During our wonderful assemblies this week, it has been lovely to reflect upon how much progress the children have made this year. I am so proud of how confident and happy they all were to share their memories and learning with you. This final week of celebrations is always very emotional – we are very sad to see our wonderful Year 2 children move on. They are very much ready for the next stage in their learning adventure and we know they will be amazing!

We are planning another fantastic year of fun and lots of new adventures next year. We were very pleased with how the children coped with transition last week and we hope they are just as excited for the new year as we are!

Thank you again for your kindness and support over the past year. We have been blown away by your generosity again – you are so very kind! The messages you have written and comments about our school truly mean the world.

It is a pleasure and a privilege to lead Sitwell Infant School and I am looking forward to beginning another wonderful year together in September.

Term Dates & INSET Days

We have now set our term dates and added our INSET days for the next academic year. These can be viewed on the app or on our website [here](#). We have worked with the Junior School to ensure the days that both schools are closed are the same to make things easier for our families.

Diary Dates

Friday 19th July – school closes for the summer holiday

Monday 2nd September – INSET Day – school closed

Tuesday 3rd September – school reopens

Monday 7th October – Individual photographs

Thursday 24th October – school closes for half term

Friday 25th October – INSET Day – school closed

School start time

We have now emailed all parents with information about the small change to the start time of school from September. The official start time of the school day will be 8.45am and we will be opening the doors at 8.40am so children are in school on time.

Please ensure you arrive in plenty of time so that your child is not late in September.

Summer Fair

Thank you to all those who were able to join us for our annual Summer Fair last Friday. It was amazing and luckily, the weather held out until the very end! We hope you all had fun at the stalls and games. I am so pleased to let you know that we raised an amazing £607 altogether! How amazing! Watch out for our next event in the autumn term!

A huge thank you to our brilliant PTA team – you are all fantastic!

Sports Day 2024

Our annual Sports Day was another huge success – a big thank you to Miss Wadsworth and the Live & Learn team for organising and running the day so well.

We hope you enjoyed coming and joining us for the morning – it was lots of fun! I was very proud to lead the Red team with Miss Stinson to another victory this year! Well done everyone for working so hard!

Attendance

Children's attendance at school at this young age is so important – if children are regularly absent, there will be gaps in their learning that are very difficult to fill and this can impact upon their confidence and self-esteem, as well as their chances of reaching their potential academically. Our target as a school is to achieve 96% attendance for the year. Please see below attendance rates for the whole school, year groups and classes. As you can see, our figures are lower than our target for the end of the year.

ATTENDANCE 2023/2024	
Whole school	94%
Roses	94%
Tulips	93%
Bluebells	94.6%
Poppies	94.7%
Snowdrops	93.5%
Sunflowers	93.7%
Buttercups	94%
Daisies	94.3%

We need your help to make sure attendance is improved next year!

We have just finalised our attendance data collection for this year and there is a large group of children whose attendance is concerning. If your child's attendance is below our end of year target, a letter will be coming home tonight to make you aware of this.