



# Southcoates Primary Academy Newsletter

Wednesday 30th November

## Christmas is Coming!

Christmas will soon be here and the children are working hard in school to prepare for events such as the Early Years' Nativity and our Carol Concert.

The weather is forecast to turn colder and over the last week we have seen a lot of colds and sniffles in school. Thank you to everyone for getting your children into school despite this. We try to encourage and build resilience in Southcoates children and please rest assured that we will contact you if your children are unable to persevere throughout the day.

Please check your child's attendance record on the MCAS app - the government target is for all children to be over 96%. All children who meet this target will earn a certificate and a prize on the last day of term, as will those who have shown an outstanding effort to get to 100%. Keep it up everyone!

## After-School Clubs

Please note that this week is the last week for after school clubs - we have planned new clubs to start in spring term.

For the spring term, we will be putting all after school clubs onto the MCAS app.

This means that the only way to book a place on the afterschool club will be through your MCAS app. Please make sure you have activated your MCAS app in order to do this. If you have not done this yet, please call or visit the main office and request an activation letter. This letter must be collected from the office by the priority 1 contact - unfortunately, we cannot send this home with your child.

## Christmas Cards

The children are now able to send Christmas cards to each other by posting them in the post-boxes in each hall.



### Carols to Parents

We will be holding our annual Christmas Carol performance this year on Tuesday 13th December. The gates on Southcoates Lane will be opened at 2:15pm with the performance scheduled to start at 2:30pm.

### Scooter Rack and Bicycle Shed

As you may have noticed, the new scooter rack and bike shed are in place on the main playground. Please feel free to use these but please also ensure that any scooters and bikes are locked in place - a padlock will work on the scooter rack and a bike lock will be needed for the bike shed.

Whilst we will do our best to ensure bikes and scooters are safe when locked on site, the school cannot accept any liability for damage or loss of property.

### Christmas Fair

Don't forget it is the school Christmas Fair after school this Friday, 2nd December. Mrs Gleadhill and Ms Jackson are selling raffle tickets every morning, £1 for 5 tickets and the 1st prize is £100 with many more prizes.

### Upcoming Events

Friday 2nd December:	Christmas Fair
Tuesday 6th December:	Christmas Dinner (school dinner menu option)
Thursday 8th December:	Early Years Nativity (performance at St. Aidan's)
Tuesday 13th December:	Whole school Carol Performance to parents
Wednesday 14th December:	Christmas Party Day
Thursday 15th December:	Magic Carpet Theatre
Friday 16th December:	Christmas Jumper Day, Talent Show & last day
Wednesday 4th January:	School re-opens for spring term