

St Chad's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter- 20th December 2022

Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 20th December 2022 – Children break up for Christmas holiday

Wednesday 4th January 2023- Children return to school

Friday 17th February 2023 – Children break up for half term holiday

Monday 27th February 2023- Children return to school

Friday 31st March 2023 – Children break up for Easter holiday

Monday 17th April 2023- Children return to school

Friday 26th May 2023 – Children break up for half term holiday

Tuesday 6th June 2023- Children return to school

Friday 21st July 2023- Children break up for summer holiday

A Message from Mrs Evans

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the support you have given me during my time at St. Chad's.

It has been a privilege to lead such an amazing school and I will miss working with such a great group of staff and children.

I have always enjoyed coming to work; there is not a day goes by when I don't get to see the talents, skills and enthusiasm of our children in some way or another. I will especially miss the children coming to show me their amazing work and our interesting conversations on a variety of topics.

It is watching young people develop and achieve their potential that drives every teacher; it has been a great pleasure to have been part of this journey for so many during my time at St. Chad's.

I would like to welcome Miss Jenna Ellison (Executive Headteacher) and Miss Louise Maitland (Class 4 Teacher) to St. Chad's.

December Highlights

Nativity-

Class 1 and 2 performed an amazing nativity. They read, sang and danced beautifully. They are all superstars!

Christmas Jumper Day-

The children looked fabulous in their festive jumpers to raise money for Save The Children. We raised £40. Thank you for your donations.

Anti-Bullying Workshop-

The school council wrote to the local police to ask if they would come in to talk to the children about anti-bullying. We would like to say a massive thank you to Sergeant Boyd who came in to deliver an anti-bullying workshop to Class 3 and 4. The children thoroughly enjoyed it and learnt a lot.

Christmas Disco- The children boogied away with huge smiles on their faces. They showed excellent dance moves- Strictly here we come!

Christmas Dinner- There was a wonderful buzz in the hall. The crackers were pulled and the jokes were shared. The food was delicious and the company was wonderful.



Attendance

Children are required to be at school by 9am as our core subject lessons (English and Maths) begin immediately after registration.

Appointments should be made out of school time where possible please.

Holidays should be taken outside of term time.

The Department for Education deems that if a child's attendance drops below 90%, they become known as a Persistent Absentee. All absences are monitored thoroughly.

Below are the percentages of attendance for each class for December:

Class 1- 84.17%

Class 2-80.67%

Class 3- 79.08%

Class 4- 81.48%

Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club runs from **7.50am** every morning for £2. Please can children be accompanied until **7.50am**.

A selection of breakfast items (including cereal, toast, fruit) are on offer.

A range of activities and games (including lego, k'nex, colouring in) are on offer too.

After-School Club

Our after-school club runs from **3.10pm until 5.10pm every evening**. Children can be picked up any time between these times – up to 4.10pm is £2, after 4.10pm is £4.

A range of activities and games (including outdoor activities, puzzles, board games) are on offer.

Drinks and snacks are also included.

Parking Outside School

The safety of our children is paramount; we kindly ask that you refrain from parking on the yellow zig zag lines and in the bus stop when dropping off and collecting children from our school.

The Highway Code states that you should keep these areas clear of stationary vehicles even if picking up or setting down children.



