

ALVELEY NEWS

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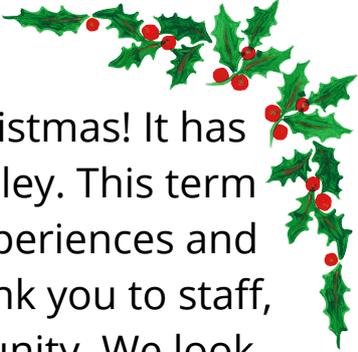
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NATIVITY PERFORMANCE



The children of Alveley Primary created an amazing atmosphere in St. Mary's Church with their fantastic production, 'The Nativity'. It was a great performance from all of the children, as the church became the scene from Mary and Joseph's Bethlehem story. We are so proud of all of the performers and the accompanying choir of KS2 children. A big thank you goes to our FOAS team for their ongoing support by providing refreshments on the day in support of our Library Project.

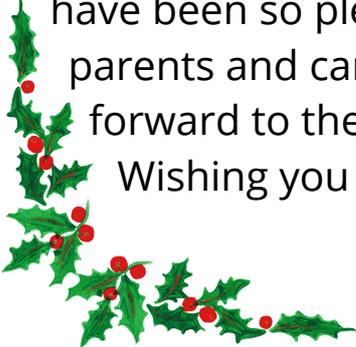
A big thank you must go to our amazing staff and children for creating such a brilliant production!



We would like to wish you all a restful, safe and happy Christmas! It has been another positive and successful Autumn Term at Alveley. This term we have continued to see pupils enjoy a broad range of experiences and have been so pleased to share their progress with you. Thank you to staff, parents and carers, governors, FOAS and the wider community. We look forward to the many experiences next term will bring for the children.

Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas and a prosperous new year!

Mr O'Malley and Miss Coleman



PRESENTING OUR CHRISTMAS FAYRE



On Friday 9th December, we were so pleased to welcome the school and our local community to our Christmas Fayre organised by FOAS. It was lovely to see so many familiar faces attending, both old and new.

Our pizza oven saw its first use and the pizzas it cooked were enjoyed by many! There was a real festive atmosphere within school as children and their families were greeted with the sight of lots of Christmas activities and fun, as well as Father Christmas attending.

A big thank you to all staff and our ever supportive FOAS who helped make the evening such a great turn out!



AMAZING ATTENDANCE

We were pleased to be able to celebrate the fantastic attendance of so many pupils at Alveley Primary School. To end the term we presented Attendance Awards to all pupils with attendance at or above 96% for the Autumn term.

We can clearly see the positive trend between pupils who are making good academic progress and have good school attendance. We really value the shared understanding around the importance of regular school attendance. We will continue to celebrate attendance each week in assembly.



A MAGICAL PANTOMIME!



On Friday 2nd December, a real excitement could be felt across school! Not only had children started the countdown to Christmas but Panto day had arrived! All of the children enjoyed the magical spectacle and funny moments that the pantomime brought. Alveley children could be heard singing and dancing along to the songs. It was a brilliant day and a fantastic way to welcome in the festivities. Children behaved impeccably and enjoyed every aspect of the day. We were very proud of them all and it was lovely to see the fun they had during the performance.

CHRISTMAS DINNER



On Wednesday 14th December, children enjoyed a Christmas dinner provided by Caterlink. The children really enjoyed the party atmosphere as the whole school gathered for the festivities, with Christmas tunes being played around the school hall.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Louise, our Caterlink cook, for cooking a delicious turkey dinner for everyone. A great time was had by all and a fantastic way to celebrate the Nativity performance that morning!

CHRISTMAS PARTIES



On Thursday 16th December, children enjoyed their Christmas parties, where they played party games, listened to music and had a visit from a special guest, Father Christmas! Everyone had an amazing day and were very grateful for their gift. Thank you so much to all parents and carers for their support providing the food for the children and to FOAS for helping with Father Christmas' present deliveries on the day!



ONLINE COURSES

We have been asked to share the following links in regards to online safety to help promote the safe use of computers and technology.

The internet has the potential to offer children and young people a wide range of opportunities – to learn, to develop new skills, to keep in touch with friends and make new ones and to have fun. However there are concerns about both access to the technology and the possible threats to children's safety that can exist online.

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/family-support/where-can-i-go-to-get-support-to-help-keep-my-child-safe-online/>

[Shropshire Family Information Service: Internet-safety.pdf](#) (shropshire.gov.uk)

[Annual Award in Online Safety for Parents & Carers of Children aged 3-7](#) | [National Online Safety](#) (free to access)

[Annual Award in Online Safety for Parents & Carers of Children aged 7-11](#) | [National Online Safety](#) (free to access)

[Annual Award in Online Safety for Parents & Carers of Children aged 11-14](#) | [National Online Safety](#) (free to access)

[Annual Award in Online Safety for Parents & Carers of Children aged 14-18](#) | [National Online Safety](#) (free to access)

[Free online safety_group workshops | NSPCC Training and events - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Term Dates 2022/2023

Christmas Holidays

Monday 19th December - Monday 2nd
January

Spring Term 2023

PD Day

Tuesday 3rd January

Term Starts Wednesday 4th
January - Friday 17th February

Half Term

Monday 20th February - Friday 24th
February

Term Starts

Monday 27th February - Friday 31st
March

Easter Break

Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April

Summer Term 2023

Term Starts

Monday 17th April - Friday 26th May

Bank Holiday

Monday 1st May

Half Term

Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June

Term Starts

Monday 5th June - Friday 21st July

PD Day

Monday 24th July

PD Day

Tuesday 25th July

PD Days only staff attend

Monday 5th September Friday 21st

October Tuesday 3rd January Monday

21st July Tuesday 25th July

Autumn Term Events Dates For your Diary

11th January

Whole school assembly from Shropshire Youth
Engagement part of West Mercia Police
Stranger danger and keeping yourself safe

11th January

Year 5/6 - workshop from Shropshire Youth
Engagement, West Mercia Police

14th/15th January

FOAS Library working party

31st January

Bookfest workshop author to visit year 5/6

TOPIC DAY

Topic day will be held on **Wednesday 18th
January**. This is an exciting day to explore
our new class topics. New topics for each
class are as follows:

Ash and Beech Under the Ground

Cedar Around the World

Elm Chocolate

Oak Extreme Earth

