

Friday 16th December 2022

AUTUMN TERM AWARD WINNERS



A huge congratulations to our award winners this term:

Nursery: Oscar, Rosalie, Emily, Quinn

Reception: Raghad, Jasper, Rayleigh, Ylhan

Year 1: Mya-Leigh, Elizabeth, Adam, Yusuf

Year 2: Miyah, Evie, Lawson, Cayson

Year 3: Zayaan, Summer-Grace, Grace, Raffaele

Year 4: Abhi, Ayesha, Bailey, Aidan

Year 5: Lilah, Oliver Q, Aliza, Elliott

Year 6: Adam, Kevae, Megan, Srivatsa

HAPPY CHRISTMAS



As the term draws to a close, I would like to thank all of the pupils, staff and parents for making me feel so welcome at The Orchards.



It has been a pleasure to lead the school through this first term, and what a term it has been!

With the introduction of the Curriculum Promise the values of respect, tolerance, pride and empathy are displayed everyday in school. Our new pupil leadership team have taken to their roles, the children have learnt to sign, with every phase demonstrating this in their fantastic Christmas performances and there is a great buzz for learning around school.

As promised, we have opened our doors yet again to parents and visitors reinstating community cohesion through our Awards Assemblies, parent workshops, Diwali and Remembrance assemblies and Christmas performances.

The children have had a range of extra curricular experiences through our after school clubs and many visits and visitors including Dan the Skipping Man, Pep the Poet, the Dogs Trust and our recent trip to the panto at the Wolverhampton Grand Theatre.

What a wonderful term it has been. Merry Christmas to you all and a happy new year, I look forward to continuing this fantastic journey at the Orchards in 2023.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 3rd January - Staff INSET Day, School closed to pupils

Wednesday 4th January - Back to School, Dress Like a Rockstar Day

Tuesday 24th January 2:30 pm - Parents' SATs Information workshop Year 6

Tuesday 28th February 9.15 am - Y5 & 6 Parents' Maths workshop Tuesday 21st

March 9.15 am - Y5 & 6 Parents' Reading Workshop

NEW YEAR REMINDERS

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

A big thank you to staff, who have yet again volunteered to run clubs after school in the Spring Term. The clubs have proved very popular and places filled up very quickly. Waiting lists have been set up on MCAS for those children who did not manage to secure a place.

Due to the popularity of the clubs, in the Spring Term will be introducing a Two Strike Rule. Should a child miss two consecutive weeks, or have two behaviour incidents, their place will be given to a child on the waiting list.

MORNING MATHS CLUB

YEAR 6

Miss Bell will be delivering Maths morning clubs - this is open to all Year 6 children if they wish to attend (no booking required), However, please may I ask that if your child does attend, they attend regularly and consistently in order for this to have an impact on their mathematics learning.

Mornings: Tuesday and Wednesday Time: 8 a.m. - 8.30 a.m. (tuition), 8.30 a.m. - 8.45 a.m. (breakfast). We will offer free breakfast to those children who come to the morning clubs.

The first morning club will commence on Tuesday 17th January 2023.

Year 6



BREAK TIME

Children may bring their own healthy snack for morning break.

Please do not send sweets, chocolate or crisps, or anything containing nuts.



BREAKFAST CLUB

To ensure children have time to eat their breakfast, could we please ask that they are dropped at breakfast club before 8.15am. Breakfast club will be charged at £2 in the new year.