

22nd December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

What a way to finish the Autumn term with a wonderful Carol Service at St Mary's Church. The children did a fantastic job and it was great to see the year 6 children retell the Nativity story with such confidence. Thank you to all the parent helpers that supported the children in arriving safely to and from the Church. In addition, the children have had a brilliant time at their Christmas parties; KS1 and EYFS especially enjoyed their surprise visitor... Santa! It's been such a joy to be part of all the Christmas events and see how well behaved the children have been in the run up to the end of term. From all the staff at Ash Grove we wish you a Merry Christmas and look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 8th January. As always – thank you for your continued support.

Forest School

During Spring 1, **Kingfishers** and **Ospreys** will be taking part in **Forest School** every other Monday starting Monday 8th January. Children should arrive in their PE kit, warm clothes and wellies. They will also need to bring a spare pair of trainers to get changed into after their session. Please speak with class teachers if you require any further information about this.

Inspire Sessions

Our Inspire sessions will start again after the Christmas break starting with **Hawks** on Friday 12th January at 9.15am in the hall. These sessions are designed for parents and carers to collaborate with the children and create something to take home. Please look at the yearly event's planner to see the other upcoming events.

KS1 & KS2 SATs meetings

KS1 SATs meeting will take place in the hall on **Tuesday 9th January at 3.30pm**. This is a chance to see how tests are administered and how best to support your child. Please note that due to a clash, **KS2 SATs** meeting will now take place on **Wednesday 17th January at 3.30pm**. Please speak to either Mrs Wolstenholme or Mrs Applegarth if you require any further information about these.

Golden Table 100% Weekly Attendance Winners

Week Ending 15.12.2023

EYFS ~ Kane L (Kingfishers) KS1 ~ Lucca P (Harriers)

LKS2 ~ Connie G (Falcons) UKS2 ~ Alexander J (Red Kites)

This week's Picture News — **Decorations**, please log onto our website www.ashgroveprimaryacademy.co.uk and take a look at the assemblies page.

Merry Christmas everyone!
Mrs K Gawthorp





Dates for your Diary

8th Jan 24 – School re-opens

9th Jan – Nasal Flu Mop Up

10th Jan – KS1 (Y2) SATs Parents Meeting, 3:30 – 4:30

12th Jan – Hawks' Inspire Session, 9:15 – 10:45

15th Jan – Kestrels' Inspire Session, 13:45 – 15:15

17th Jan – KS2 (Y6) SATs Parents Meeting, 3:30 – 4:30

19th Jan – Harriers' Inspire Session, 9:15 – 10:45

22nd Jan – Red Kites' Inspire Session, 1:45 – 15:15

24th Jan – Parent Inclusion Workshop – Mental Health & Wellbeing, 1:45 – 3:15

26th Jan – Buzzards' Inspire Session, 09:15 – 10:45

29th Jan – Ospreys' Inspire Session, 1:45 – 3:15

2nd Feb – Falcons' Inspire Session, 9:15 – 10:45

5th Feb – Eagles' Inspire Session, 1:45 – 3:15

8th Feb – Young Voices Choir, Sheffield

9th Feb – Break Up for Half Term

19th Feb – **INSET DAY, SCHOOL CLOSED** to pupils

20th Feb – School re-opens

★ Star of the Week

Owls ~ Hallie T
Kingfishers ~ Robyn B
Kestrels ~ Daisy T
Hawks ~ Scarlett W
Harriers ~ Ivy B



Falcons ~ Alice B
Buzzards ~ Alfie J
Red Kites ~ Julia M
Ospreys ~ Harper S
Eagles ~ Harper H

Attendance Winners w/e 22nd Dec

Class ~ Ospreys ~ 92.00%