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# Mrs Nelson's News!

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Hello Families,

The Great British Weather has arrived! I cannot remember the last time that we had snow in November. The school will only close if the roads are impassable or there is an issue with the school premises. We will send a text by 7:30am. Please ensure that we have the contact number that you wish us to send a text to. The text will go to the primary contact on our system. Now is the time to ensure that we have your up-to-date numbers. It is essential that you receive the alerts that we send you. You can also listen to Radio Lancashire and check the school website. We will update these as soon as we can. We have staff that travel from outside of Blackburn so I must consider the health and safety of everyone. We aim to grit the main paths around the school, we are an enormous site and have one site supervisor! He does his best but do walk with care, particularly if you come for breakfast club at 8am. Please ensure that your children are dressed warmly and appropriately for cold weather.

All children play outside whenever possible. We do not take the children outside if the playgrounds are icy. They do play outside in colder weather. Children do not become ill because of the cold. The cold can stop the spread of germs. Remember that we were allowed to meet outside during COVID-19, at a distance. If they are wrapped up warm then they will be fine. Children need to be outside of the classroom. It is essential for gross motor skills, health and well-being that they can be active during the day. Our children's motor skills are underdeveloped. They struggle to run, jump, skip and balance. We give them these opportunities daily. Poor motor skills are one of the reasons that we are fundraising for outdoor play equipment. We continue to collect blue coins with TESCO Stronger Starts. ASDA Cashpot finishes on 30<sup>th</sup> November. We have raised £288.76 so far. It would be wonderful to raise £300. We will spend this money on new books for our library. We have eight days left to achieve this. Fingers crossed. Have a good weekend.

Mrs Nelson

## Parent Drop-In Sessions -

Parent drop-in sessions will take place on -

**YEAR 2** - Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 9am until 9:30am

**YEAR 1** - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 9am until 9:30am

**RECEPTION** - Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 9am until 9:30am

## Christmas Performance Dates -

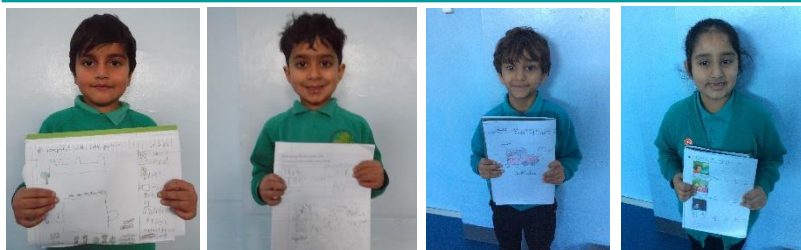
Christmas performances for parents will take place on -

**RECEPTION** - Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 9am

**YEAR 1** - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 9am

**YEAR 2** - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 9am

Our children are working very hard on perfecting their performances, we do hope you can make it.



## Celebration Stars -

**2Morpurgo: Zainab** - for always being enthusiastic and trying her best.

**2Dahl: Yazan** - for his detailed vehicle in DT.

**2Walliams: Safia** - for joining in more in class discussions and using a confident voice.

**1Aesop: Rayhan** - for a fantastic retell of a story.

**1Browne: Ahmed** - for a detailed map of the school with a key.

**1Jeffers: Hamza** - for a superb innovation of his story in English.

## Year 2-Year 3 Applications -

Don't forget to apply for your child's school place in Year 3 at the Junior school. Children do not automatically transfer from Audley Infant School to Audley Junior School. You can do this by logging onto BWD's online parent portal. The closing date for admissions is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

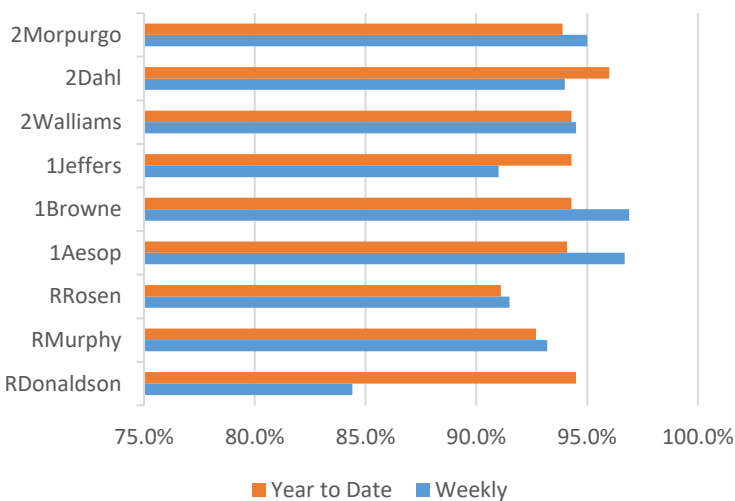
## Attendance News - Week Ending 22.11.2024

We aim for our children to have at least 96% attendance in a year. This will ensure that they have the best opportunity to learn. We know that there are often genuine reasons for absence. I have included some reminders of our requirements around attendance.

- Please call school before 9am each morning that your child is absent. If you do not then Mrs Johnson will call you. She spends a significant amount of time calling parents in the morning. This time could be best spent supporting families and children. You can leave a message or hold to speak to a member of office staff.
- Absence is not authorised if your child is off for a period of time without medical evidence. Mrs Johnson will advise you when you call.
- Routine appointments are not authorised during the school day. We will only authorise emergency appointments.
- Extended leave is not authorised under any circumstance. I cannot agree to pupils being taken out of school for any reason. As a Headteacher, pupils learning will always take priority.

We will do everything that we can to support you to improve your child's attendance. In the event that it does not improve then you will be at risk of a fine. Education is free. Our children attain in line with or better than pupils nationally. Let us teach them! Bring them to school every day.

Attendance for Autumn Term 2024



### Lates

- You must be on time every day for school, be ready on the yard or for reception at the blue gates at:
- Reception - 08:45am.
- Year 1/Year 2 - 08:40am.
- Being late has a serious impact on your child's learning and disrupts the other children in their class.
- Breakfast Club is open from 8am daily. All children receive breakfast. You do not need to book. Breakfast closes at 8:30am.

### As a Parent/Carer you have a responsibility to:

- Ensure that your child attends school on time, every day that school is open.
- Contact school each day before 9am for any absences, with the reason for absence.
- Ensure that your child is collected on time at the end of the school day.
- Inform school if someone else is collecting your child who is not known to us.
- Ensure school has up to date contact details.

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