



South Wingfield Primary School

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Happy New Year! We all hope you had a wonderful Christmas and a fantastic New Year. The children have returned to school full of stories of their Christmas adventures and their hopes and dreams for 2024.

Last half term we made lots of magical memories, from our Christmas jumper day, carols in the playground, Children in Need, to the award winning shows put on by our KS1 and Reception children.



On the last week of term, we had a visit from Santa, and his cheeky elf helper. Each class was gifted £ 50 from the PTA to be spent on something of their choice. Each class voted on what they wanted to spend the money on:

Class 1 and Class 4: Pet Fish

Class 2: Craft supplies for their craft trolley

Class 3: Pizza, ice cream and PJ party.

Class 5: Christmas party, the remaining money will be used as part of their Enterprise project to raise money for the residential trip.



Starting Monday there will be a slight change to lunchtimes. KS1 will be having lunchtime and playtime 12:00 – 13:00 and KS2 will have their session 12:15-13:15. The extra 15 minutes will be used for Super Storytime, where all classes will have quality time listening to their class storybook.

DIARY DATES

January

17th & 18th C4 Parents' Evening

19th Toy & Book Sale

19th C2 Poetry Recital

25th Pantomime

29th C5 Poetry Recital

31st Tough Rower

February

2nd 2:45-3:45 KS1 Parent Story Share

7th Safer Internet Day

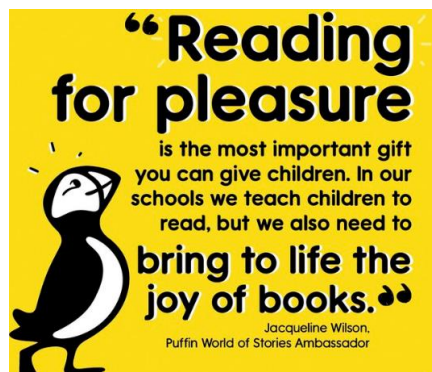
9th 2:45-3:15 KS2 Parent Story Share

16th Break up for half term

Reading

At South Wingfield reading is the at the heart of everything that we do. The Topic (History & Science) and English lessons are all supported by a high quality text linked to the current learning. In addition to this all classes have a 'Super story time' book, which is read aloud to the children on a daily basis, the teachers select books based on children's interests. The children also have a weekly buddy reading session where the younger and older come together to share a book. We are also very lucky to have a well-stocked and beautiful library, which is managed by our very efficient and dedicated Year 6 librarians.

This half term we are going to be introducing Parent Story Share (refer to diary dates), where we invite parents in to come and share story time with their child/children. We would like to invite parents, grandparents (1 per child) to come in on the allocated day and time to share a story. If you have children in different key stages, you can choose which one you would like to attend and you will be able to collect your child and share the experience with both children.



We cannot emphasise how important it is that your child is listened to read on a daily basis. The time spent will increase their confidence and fluency and as they become fluent readers their comprehension and understanding will improve.

School Dinners



Please follow the link to find the Derbyshire School Menu

[3006 A3 PORTRAIT MENU STANDARD MED RES \(derbyshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/3006-A3-PORTRAIT-MENU-STANDARD-MED-RES)

Attendance

My child is unwell, should I send them to school? Sometimes it is difficult to know whether to keep your child off school or send them in. Always try and send your child to school if they are a little 'under the weather', for example, with a runny nose, headache, tummy-ache. The school will always contact you if your child is unwell, which is why it is vitally important that we have your correct contact details. **hours** from the last bout of illness. This is to ensure that any infection does not spread through the school.

HOWEVER, please do not send your child to school if they have any infectious illnesses like Chicken Pox, Measles etc. Medical confirmation from your doctor will ensure your child's absence is authorised. If your child has been vomiting or is suffering from diarrhoea, then they must stay away from school for **48 hours**.

The NHS has a handy guide to the most common childhood illnesses and what you should do. Please do contact the school office if you need any additional advice or support and we will be happy to help. <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

In line with the school's attendance policy we request confirmation of all medical appointments, this can include a confirmation text. Please email to mkealy@southwingfield.derbyshire.sch.uk or show the school office.

A polite reminder that we are not able to administer medicine, and therefore we kindly ask for parents to do so during the school day.

Getting your child to school really matters!		
Did you know?		
If your child's attendance during the school year is	Your child would have lost approximately	Or they would have missed approximately
95%	9 days from school	50 lessons
90%	19 days from school	100 lessons
85%	29 days from school	150 lessons
80%	38 days from school	200 lessons
75%	48 days from school	250 lessons