



Adel St John the Baptist Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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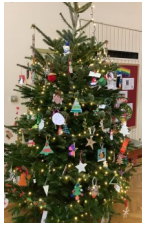
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HEADTEACHER NEWS It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! The cold crisp wintery days of this week and then the children decorating our tree with their homemade decorations it definitely feels very Christmassy. Each decoration has a message or prayer of peace written upon it and the ones I have read are very thoughtful and moving. Arda, in Year 2 wrote, '*Peace begins when the power of love replaces the love of power*'. What inspiring words.



A NEW COLLECTIVE WORSHIP TABLE: Last Friday our new collective worship table was delivered, kindly funded by the Kirk Trust. It has been lovingly made by a local craftsman and upon it's front is our school logo. During Tuesday's collective worship, Rev Alison talked about items that are precious to us before blessing the table. This will be a centre piece for when we gather together as a school community each day.



FOOTBALL SUCCESS: Both our U11s girls and U11s boys football teams have had much success in their matches this week. On Tuesday, the girls played a tournament at Goals in Kirkstall and came second after losing by one goal to Shadwell Primary. After school on Wednesday, our boys won their league game away to Ireland Wood. Both teams played in our lovely new football kit which has been kindly sponsored by Johnny Abraham, parent of a child in year 2. Due to dwindling light after the boys match, we do not have a picture of the boys in the new kit.



PUPIL RESULTS 2023: After 3 years of no reported attainment and progress data for schools due to the pandemic, primary school data for 2023 has been released. A detailed breakdown of our published data can be found by following this link to the school website: <https://www.adel-st-john.leeds.sch.uk/about-us/published-results>. A school is so much more than attainment data, but we are very proud of these set of results. Here is an overall summary of the results, but do visit the link above to find out how we achieved in individual subjects.

Early Years and Foundation Stage 2023 In 2023, 83% of children achieved a Good Level of Development (GLD). Nationally the percentage was 67%.

Year 1 Phonics 2023 In the summer of Year 1, children are tested on their phonic skills using real and made-up words. In 2023, 93% of our Year 1 children achieved the expected standard. Nationally the percentage was 79%.

End of Key Stage 1 Year 2 Data (7 year olds) In 2023, our KS1 data was externally moderated. 77% of our pupils achieved the expected standard in reading, writing and maths, combined (compared with 56% nationally).

End of Key Stage 2 Year 6 Data (11 year olds) In 2023, 77% of our pupils achieved the expected standard in reading, writing and maths, combined (compared with 59% nationally).

UPCOMING DATES

Whole School Advent Service at Adel Church

Tuesday 5th December.

Leaving school at 9:05am. Returning at 10:00am. Parent volunteers to walk to and from the church requested.

OPEN MORNING 2024 INTAKE

Final Tour of school prospective parents and carers at **9:15am on Thursday 11th January**

Reception, Year 1 and 2 Christmas Production

Tuesday 12th December at 2pm
and Wednesday 13th December at 6pm

LEEDS SCHOOL KS2 CROSS COUNTRY RACE

Saturday 9th December

at GSAL. Racing start time to be confirmed but is planned for the afternoon. *Children interested in competing to collect a letter on Monday.*

Dear God,

Loving God,
Help us to work for
peace,
And pray for peace,
Believing that all people are your
children.

Amen.





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Congratulations to our Well Done and Gold Award Children



House Points

House Team Names	This Week's Total	This half term's total
Bolton Abbey	1,063	3,631
Fountains Abbey	1,111	4,699
Rievaulx Abbey	757	3,008
Kirkstall Abbey	1,329	4,183

Our target for whole school attendance is 97%

Attendance from Sept. to date is: **96.6%**

Attendance last week was: **98.6%**

	Attendance since September %	Attendance since last week %
Reception	97.7	97.7
Year 1	95.3	99.3
Year 2	98.3	99.4
Year 3	98.3	100
Year 4	96.7	98.3
Year 5	96.8	99
Year 6	93.1	96.1



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DATES FOR THE DIARY (new dates added in red)

5 Dec	Advent service in Adel Church. The whole school attending. Volunteer parents and carers to walk to and from church needed. Please contact the office if you are able to support.
6 Dec 23	Flu immunisations in school—Please complete on line consent (see letter on the school website)
9 Dec 23	Leeds Schools Athletic Association Cross Country Race 4 at GSAL (pm)
12 Dec 23	Christingle Service
12 Dec 23	Rec, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Production 2pm
13 Dec 23	Rec, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Production 6pm
14 Dec 23	Whole School Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
18 Dec 23	Year 4 Ukulele Assembly— parents and carers of Year 4 children warmly invited to attend 9:30am
19 Dec 23	Year 5 and 6 Christmas Party
20 Dec 23	Reception, Year 1 and 2 Christmas Party
21 Dec 23	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Party
21 Dec 23	Whole School Christmas Service - Worship Committee leading
22 Dec 23	Break up for Christmas holiday
8 Jan 24	Return to school for Spring term 1
11 Jan 24	Open morning for prospective parents - Reception Sept 24
17 Jan 24	Reception parents information event at 9:00am in the hall - Characteristics of Effective Learning

Santa PAWS

West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service

£3 charity donation inc. a gift!

Bring the family to Santa's grotto, dogs and fancy dress welcome 🐾

10 Sunday 10th December

From 11:00am

Moortown Fire Station
Stonegate Rd, LS17 6EJ

Fire & Rescue

The Fire Fighters Charity

Is your child due to start primary school in 2024?

Apply now!

Applications are open for Reception places to start in **September**

You can apply online until **15 January 2024**

Before you apply, find out more at www.leeds.gov.uk/apply

- Learn about the admissions process
- Research schools so you can list your 5 preferences
- Read each school's admissions policy
- Understand where your child might be offered a place
- Check if your home address gives you priority

Call us on 0113 222 4414

Watch our quick guide to school admissions

Leeds City Council

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG

Castleford Civic Centre
6th - 10th December

Music and Lyrics by Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman
Music by Special Arrangement with Sony/ATV Publishing
Adapted for the Stage by Jeremy Sams

Based on the MGM Motion Picture
Licensed Script Adapted by Ray Roderick

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International
All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI www.mtishows.co.uk