



The Anchor News

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15th December 2023

Happy weekend everyone,
We have had a really busy week this week. EYFS and KS1 have been busy rehearsing their Nativity. On Wednesday the children were surprised with a Teams call from Father Christmas. We have seen lots of our parents and carers in school having Christmas lunch with us this week. It has been lovely to be share this season of goodwill with our community. We would like to say thank you to Miss Akers and especially to the PTA who organised the Christmas fair that took place on Thursday. We hope to see many of you in the coming week for all the events we have on in school. Remember school is not open on Friday 22nd December.

December	19.12.23	EYFS & K1 Nativity 2.00pm start
	20.12.23	Prayer morning & Carol Service (AM) At Aston Parish Church 10.45 am start
	21.12.23	Whole school Christmas Concert 9.30am start Christmas Disco & parties (PM)
	22.12.23	School closed 22.12.23– Teacher training day
Jan	08.01.24	Return to school for pupils 8.45

Celebration Assembly Monday 18th December 9am

We would like to invite you to join us at our end of term awards Assembly.

Shining Star Awards December 2023

	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
EYFS	Izhaan	Naomi	Maryam	Minahil	Amira	Ridwan
Yr. 1	Ali-Asghar	Liam	Maryam	Marnie	Chidinma	Ahmed
Yr. 2	Amelia.S	Penda	Kingsley	Ayaan	Hussein.A	Ziar
Yr. 3	Tavell	Ibraheem	Aminah	Izaan	Ethan	Bayan
Yr. 4	Anaiyah.M	Maya.s	Shayla	Victoria	Mercy	Haris
Yr. 5	Hamza	Lmar	Sedille	Mariam	Salma	Amani
Yr. 6	Noah	Arooj	Ire	Aliyssia	Eesa	Ilma

Values Champions

Summer
Aala
Amelia.N
Safa
Naomi
Inaas
Ayaan



Attendance Punctuality

Last week was not a great week for attendance or punctuality as you can see. Let's get those figures back up guys, we can do it!!

Rec -89%	Rec -10
Year 1 - 92%	Year 1 - 13
Year 2 - 94%	Year 2 - 8
Year 3 - 95%	Year 3 - 7
Year 4 - 95%	Year 4 - 11
Year 5 - 93%	Year 5 - 9
Year 6 - 94%	Year 6 - 12

Nechells
POD

FOOD PANTRY

Launching Friday 15th December

Then every Friday 10am-11.30am

£3 for up to £20 worth of shopping

Open to all residents.

Head Teacher: Miss Shryane
Deputy Head Teacher: Mrs Nizamis
Assistant Head Teacher: Mrs Fox



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Safeguarding:

Christmas safety tips

- Make sure you buy children's gifts for the correct age group and from reputable retailers, and ensure they comply to safety standards.
 - Remember to buy batteries for toys that need them – that way you won't be tempted to remove batteries from smoke alarms.
 - Look out for small items that could pose a choking hazard to young children, such as button batteries.
 - Keep decorations and cards away from fires and other heat sources such as light fittings and don't leave burning candles unattended.
 - Remember, Christmas novelties and decorations are not toys and they do not have to comply with toy safety regulations - place them high up and out of reach of young hands.
 - Give yourself enough time to prepare and cook Christmas dinner to avoid accidents that come from rushing and wipe up any spills quickly.
 - Have scissors handy to open packaging, so you're not tempted to use a knife, and have screwdrivers at the ready to assemble toys.
 - Beware of trailing cables and wires in the rush to connect new gadgets and appliances, and always read the instructions.
 - Falls are the most common accidents so try to keep clutter to a minimum and make sure stairs are well-lit and free from obstacles.
 - Plan New Year fireworks well in advance and follow the Firework Code.
- Do not drink and drive - plan long journeys so you won't be driving tired.
- Check your Christmas tree lights conform to the British Standard.
 - Be careful of alcohol consumption - alcohol and drug use impairs your decision making. All drugs, legal and illegal, have the potential to cause harm, some can be addictive.

Our values focus this half term

Hope



Christmas Disco– Thursday 21st

December— children should wear their uniform to school in the morning and can bring a change of clothes for parties and discos in the afternoon.



We look forward to welcoming you to our school concert on Thursday 21st December at 9.30. All the of the classes will be taking part in this Christmas musical extravaganza.

Please let the office know by Wednesday 20th if you intend to come and watch as space is limited and we cannot admit over a certain capacity so book in sooner rather than later to avoid disappointment.



The sign of the week is 'to help'



We currently have a vacancy for two Lunchtime Supervisors. If you are interested in this position, please speak to the school office.



We would love for you to join us for our Carol Service and Prayer morning . Aston Parish Church— Wednesday 20th—10.45 start time. See you there.



In the new year both **Year 5** will be going swimming till Easter. Lessons start the second week back (**Tuesday 17th January 2024**)



Acceptable Swimming kit:

- 1 piece navy/black costume for girls, navy/black swimming shorts for boys
- a towel, plastic/waterproof bag, (goggles and swimming caps can be worn.)

NO jewellery can be worn



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