



Good afternoon,

We have had a fantastic start to this busy half term and the children have settled back in quickly. It was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents joining us for our celebration assembly last Friday. I'm looking forward to welcoming you again on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30pm. Don't forget that children can bring in any certificates or awards that they achieve outside of school e.g. swimming badges, football cups etc.

You will have received an e-mail this week launching our 'Reading Gems'. This is an exciting way to reward children for the reading that they complete at home without limiting their chances for success if they don't read 5 times one week. It's really important that children read regularly at home to an adult and that this is recorded in their reading diaries and we thank you for your continued support.

I'd also like to draw your attention to TT Rockstars. Our reigning champions are Year 3 and they've earned themselves an extra ten minutes of playtime weekly. I'd encourage all children in Key Stage 2 to get onto TTRockstars to add to their class total but also improve their times table knowledge.

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend,

Mrs. Matli  
Acting Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to let you know that Cheryl Hall and Rachel Dyson have been elected – or in Cheryl's case re-elected! – as parent governors on to the Full Governing Body of the school. We all look forward to working with them.

Talking about the governors, I thought it might be interesting to give a bit of insight into how that all works. The governing body has overall responsibility for the running of the school and ensuring we meet our statutory duties, that pupils make good progress, we spend our funding wisely and we have a strong workforce of teaching and support staff. To spread the work, we have three sub committees – one for Standards, one for Personnel and one for Finance – and they do the detailed work and monitoring in those three areas, reporting back to the governing body.

In addition, individual governors have responsibility for key areas, such as safeguarding, pupil premium, and special education needs and disabilities (SEND), as well as specific areas of the curriculum. So in these roles, we have to meet with the headteacher or subject leaders at least a couple of times each term to go through the detail, understand where things are going well and where improvements need to be made. We then report back to the governing body.

There's a lot of work to cover but we are all committed to supporting the school and ensuring that our children flourish.

Hilary Hall  
LA Governor



## Staffing changes

Next week we have a new Teaching Assistant starting in Class R - Mrs Humphreys. We welcome her and look forward to working alongside her. Another change has been the departure of Cheryl Hall from the Admin post, we wish her very best wishes in her continued career with Marine Wildlife Trust.

To fill the vacancy Tracey Kennedy will move from Teaching Assistant to 3 mornings in the office. Mrs Kennedy will also continue 1 day a week as Teaching Assistant.

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Ewyas Harold  
Scout Group



# CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Sunday 3 December

2.00 to 4.00 pm



Ewyas Harold Memorial Hall

Locally Made Crafts

Father Christmas

Cakes & refreshments

Raffle

Games

Happy  
Christmas

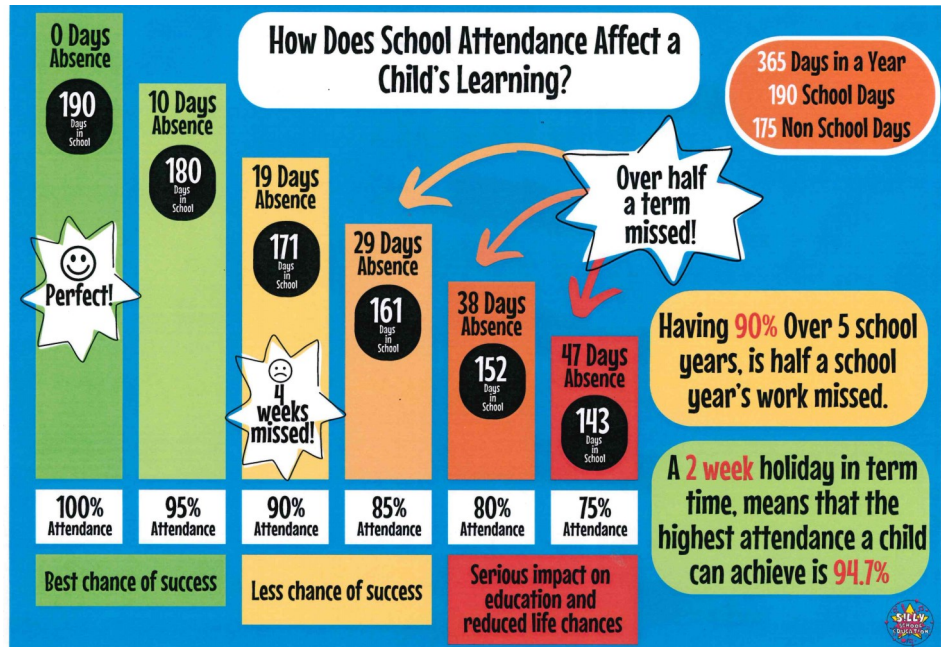
Get your Christmas  
shopping sorted!



## Percentage Attendance for each Class for the year to date.

★ Class 2	98.21%	↓
Class 3	98.15%	↓
Class 1	97.40%	↓
Class 4	95.17%	↓
Class R	95.01%	↓
Total Percentage	96.80%	↓

Well done to the 38 pupils across the school who have 100% attendance for the year so far.



Unfortunately, the overall percentage has dropped below target over the last two weeks.

**Class 2 stay top of the leaderboard, very closely followed by Class 3 & Class 1.  
Class 4 have moved up one space above Class R.**

## School Diary

Nov	20th	Bedtime Stories 5-6pm
	24th	Wear what you like day – bring an item for Christmas Hampers
Dec	1st	Class 1 & 2 Christmas trip PM
	8th	Class R Christmas trip PM
	8th	Celebration Assembly in the church – 2:30pm and all parents/carers welcome
	12th	Class R Nativity 9:30am
	19th	KS2 trip the Panto AM
	19th	PTFA EVENT – Christmas Disco – more details to follow
	21st	Carol Service followed by Hamper Raffle and refreshments PM
	22nd	Christmas Party & Christmas Lunch – children to wear Christmas party clothes
Jan 2024	9th	back to school

Don't forget  
Bedtime Stories  
next Monday (20th)  
5-6pm.



Children can come in their PJs; listen to a story with a teacher and have a hot chocolate. Parents or responsible adult need to stay onsite please - there will be refreshments for you too!

Please also don't forget to let us know if you wish your child(ren) to join in the fun by completing the form via the link below.

<https://form.jotform.com/233092582176055>