

Newsletter

Key Dates



04.11.24 – Return to School
12.11.24 – Odd Socks Day
15.11.24 – Children in Need
27.11.24 – Decorating the Tree
29.11.24 – Adult Quiz Night
04.12.24 – Christmas Dinner
06.12.24 – MIND Elf Run
16.12.24 – Parties and Jumpers
18.12.24 – SHINE Assembly – 2.15pm
20.12.24 – Break up
07.01.25 – Return to School

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First half term – complete! We are delighted to share that Miss Bytheway welcomed baby Albie into the world earlier this month, both mum and baby are doing well. What a long half term it has been, but as always, we have crammed so much into it. Thank you for your support at Parents' Evening, discos and everything else.

Attendance

As we have shared with you previously, attendance is a huge focus for the government and us this year. Please ensure that you only take your children out of school if absolutely necessary. Even short periods of absence have a huge impact in the classroom. At the moment, our whole school attendance is **96.3%**.



Pumpkin Competition

We have been blown away by the creativity on display in the hall today in the annual Pumpkin Carving Competition. Thank you for helping your children to create such masterpieces. The winners have been announced in assembly this afternoon and photos will be on

Strive for Five!



Thank you for your support so far with Strive for Five! **82%** of the children have received at least one Strive for Five dojo and raffle entry. It would be amazing in the run up to Christmas if all children were entered into the next draw. Reading with your children at home is such an important part of them seeing the value of reading and supports their love of reading.

Buzziliant Bookshop

The children who created and ran the '**Buzziliant Bookshop**' this half term deserve a huge shout out. Joey, Imogen, Darcy, Ali and Betsy were amazing at not only selling their books, but recommending titles to people. It was a great experience for the children and one that has helped to generate over £70 for school too.



Reminders

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Our before school club continues to be available, it opens at 7.45am each morning in the lunch hall. Places are £3 for the session. **No** children should be riding on **bikes or scooters** on the school site. Parents are **not** to park on site on a morning for Parkway or our Before School Club.

OPAL Education

Our OPAL progress continues at pace and we will have a number of new areas ready in the coming weeks. Our whole school mud kitchen and further small world areas will be next. If you have any small dolls, toy cars, dinosaur toys etc. please send them in, they will help us massively. We are also looking for outdoor seating such as benches.



Discos

Once again, the Halloween discos have been a great success with the children dressing up and showing us their dance moves. As with all things that take place in school, it is only down to the dedication of the staff that we are able to run such events, so a huge shout out must go to all staff who helped out after school to run the discos.

Lost Property

We seem to have lots of requests for us to locate lost items. In the main office area, there is a tub with lost items in it. Please take a look in here to see if anything belongs to you. Please make sure that all items are clearly labelled. If you do have something at home that has arrived by mistake, please just drop it back off in school.



Thank you from all of us at The Avenue for your ongoing support!