



## Coates Way School

*Working together, learning together, achieving together- every child aiming for excellence.*

- ### Upcoming dates
- 28.11.22**– Reception Parent/ Carer Consultations 4.00-7.00pm
  - 01.12.22**– Reception and Year 2 Parent/Carer Consultations 3.30-5.30pm
  - 05.12.22** Year 4, 5 and 6 Christmas Celebration at All Saints Leavesden– 1.45pm
  - 09.12.22** Fundraisers Cake Sale after school.
  - 09.12.22** Christmas Jumper Day.
  - 12.12.22** Nursery Nativity– 11.00am
  - 13.12.22** Reception Nativity– First Showing- 10.30am
  - 15.12.22** Reception Nativity– Second Showing-10.30am
  - 13.12.22**– Years 1-6 to Radlet Theatre to see Jack and the Beanstalk– please see the letter sent out last Friday
  - 13.12.22**– A special visitor comes to Nursery
  - 14.12.22**– A special visitor comes to Reception
  - 16.12.22**– Fundraisers Gift Sale 9.30am
  - 20.12.22**– Whole School Christmas Dinner
  - 20.12.22**– School finishes at 1.30pm

### Head Teacher Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was lovely to see so many parents and carers at the consultation evenings last week and thank you to everyone who filled in a parent questionnaire. These will also be available on the rescheduled evenings for Reception and Year 2 and we will share the results with you in due course. Feedback from yourselves helps us shape the future direction of the school.

Our whole school attendance has improved over the last two weeks. Thank you for all your support in this area. As I have said previously, regular attendance at school is a key component to ensuring your child makes progress and reaches his or her full academic potential. It is for this reason I have introduced the good attendance scheme which means that children who have achieved 100% attendance from 14th November will receive a small prize at the end of term. However I would like to stress that individual situations will be taken into consideration.

Last week we had our Hertfordshire School Improvement Partner visit the school to look at how we teach maths. She was very impressed with the aptitude of your children and how resilient they were when faced with a challenge. She also commented on how articulate the children she spoke to were when explaining their mathematical understanding. In addition Father Eddie attended to represent our governing body. This active involvement from the governing body is very much appreciated by all school staff and will certainly help future school development and strategic direction.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Fiona Hayes Head Teacher

**Attendance**

The following chart indicates the attendance percentages for each class from Monday 14th November to Friday 25th November. We do continue to have Chicken Pox in Year 1 so this explains the fall in attendance in this class.

Reception	93.12%	Year 1	84.1%
Year 2	95.63%	Year 3	96.85%
Year 4	96.48%	Year 5	97.7%
Year 6	93.49%	<b>Red- Very concerned</b> <b>Amber- concerned</b> <b>Green- Good</b>	

To help you plan your holidays we have put together the terms dates for 2023-2024. Please note we have to close on Thursday 9th May 2024 as we are a polling station but will reopen on Friday 10th May 2024.

### Autumn Term 2023

<b>Occasional Day-</b>	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> September
<b>Inset Day-</b>	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September
<b>Term Starts-</b>	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September
<b>Term Finishes-</b>	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October (Full day in school)
<b>Half Term-</b>	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October- Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Term Starts-</b>	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Term Finishes-</b>	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm

### Spring Term 2024

<b>Inset Days-</b>	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January and Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>Term Starts-</b>	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January
<b>Term Finishes-</b>	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February (Full day in school)
<b>Term Starts-</b>	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>Term Finishes-</b>	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm

### Summer Term 2024

<b>Inset Day-</b>	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Term Starts-</b>	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Bank Holiday-</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Inset Day/ School Closed for a polling Station-</b>	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Term Finishes-</b>	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May (Full day in school)
<b>Term Starts-</b>	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
<b>Term Finishes-</b>	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July at 1.30pm

## **Building Works Update**

We are slowly getting to the end of the building works. On Wednesday 30th November it will be Reception's turn to spend two weeks in the hall. Please can you use the back door of the hall to drop and collect your children. It will be a little disruptive for a few weeks and I do apologise for that. When I know the exact date your children will be back in their classroom, I will let you know. Thank you for your patience and understanding.