



## Coates Way School

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

**08.12.23– Fundraisers Gift Sale (details coming soon)**

**13.12.23– Year 1– 6 Christmas Carol Concert at All Saints Church 2pm**

**14.12.23– Reception and Nursery Christmas concert for parents and carers– 9.30**

**14.12.23– Year 1-6 Panto trip**

**15.12.23– School Christmas Dinner**

**18.12.23– Nursery and Reception Father Christmas visit to Aldenham Country Park**

**19.12.23– Fundraisers Christmas Cracker- 3.15**

**20.12.23– Last day of term – School Finishes at 1.30 and children can wear their own clothes.**

## Head Teacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are quickly heading towards the end of term and Christmas has certainly come to Coates Way. All the classes made Christmas Trees which we have hung up in the dining room. I am sure you will agree, they look beautiful.

Thank you for your support with the book fair last week. This was very well attended. We were allowed to take a percentage of the profits which totalled £ 239 Mrs. Brookes was instrumental in the organisation, so a big thank you goes to her. I hope the children enjoy the books they bought.

I had the pleasure of going on the Year 3 and 4 trip to BBC Earth in London last Thursday. The children had a workshop on sustainability and we went into large hanger space with wall to ceiling screens to watch a series of film about the seven continents of the earth. It was spectacular and the children really enjoyed it.

There are lots of events to look forward to in the coming weeks. Please check those listed on this newsletter

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs. Fiona Hayes



**Attendance– Our attendance figures have dropped in the past few weeks. As the end of term draws to a close, please be aware that term time holidays will not be authorised.**

Attendance Percentages from			
Reception	94%	Year 1	96%
Year 2	94%	Year 3	99%- amazing!
Year 4	95%	Year 5	95%
Year 6	93%	<b>Red- Very concerned</b> <b>Amber- concerned</b> <b>Green- Good</b>	
Whole School: 95%			

**Arrangements for the Carol Service at All Saints Church.**

On Wednesday 6th December we will be taking the children from Year 1 to Year 6 at 1.30 pm for a rehearsal in the church. Please contact us if you don't want your child to go.

We are looking forward to the service at 2pm on Wednesday 13th December. After the service we will ask you to stay in your seats whilst all the children make their way to the church hall. Once all the children have left you will be able to make your way over to pick up your child. If you are not at the service we will walk the children back to school and dismiss them at the end of the day as per usual.

In the evening of Wednesday 13th December the children are to return to school for 5.30pm. They are to enter through their classroom door. At the end of the concert, you will be able to collect them from their classroom door. The concert will start at 6pm and the fundraisers will be serving refreshments whilst you wait.

On Monday 18th December, we will hold the concert again in the afternoon, at school.

## Packed lunches in school



We have been made aware that several children are throwing away their contents of their packed lunches if they don't like what they have been given from home. We have talked to all the

children in assembly and reminded them that they have to take what they don't eat home so you know what has been consumed. Please could you reinforce this with your child at home.

**We have Nursery places available! Mr. Jones has placed this advert onto our Facebook page starting our very own Theo**  
**Please feel free to share it with local parent/carer Facebook groups.**



## Medical and SEND reports

We are receiving quite a few forms in from parents to support SEN needs. Some forms require a considerable amount of information so to ensure we fill these in with as much detail as possible we do need at least two weeks. This is because we often seek information from several members of staff. If it is shorter form then we will of course return it to you in a shorter time frame.