



What an amazing term! What an amazing team!

Wow! Just a couple of days to go and this term will be over! It doesn't seem possible.

The last few weeks have been packed with exciting events including Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Lunch, our Christmas Production and the BSA Christmas Fayre.

I want to say a MASSIVE thank you to all of our staff, including Mrs Minshull, our governors, the BSA members and all parents for your continued support.

You all make our school a wonderful place for our pupils. Thank you all so very much, and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to each and every one of you!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

All absence must be reported on the first day.

If we do not have a reason for absence your child will receive an unauthorised absence mark. This data is monitored by The Department for Education on a regular basis.

Attendance Percentages for this term:

Class 1	95.8%
Class 2	94.0%
Class 3	95.2%
Class 4	94.2%
Class 5	92.5%
Class 6	93.4%
Class 7	93.9%
Class 8	95.4%
Whole school	94.3%

KEY DATES

Thursday 5th January: Non-pupil Day

Friday 6th January: Return to school

Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February: Half-term holiday

Colder weather!

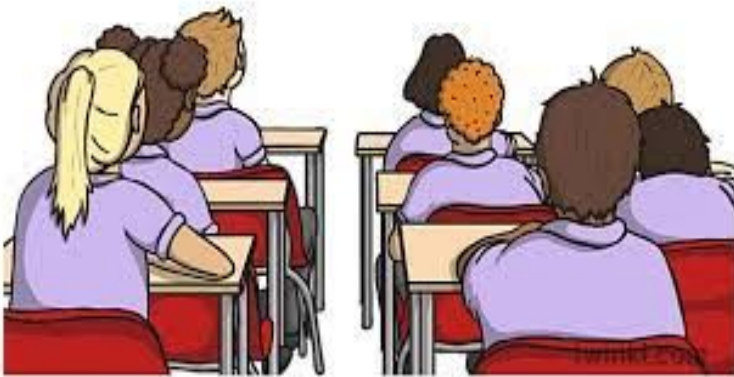
This week, has seen the weather become much colder and more seasonally normal.

Please ensure that children have coats, hats and gloves in school every day.



End of term assessments

We completed different end of term assessments recently and I intend for these to take place every term moving forward. These inform teachers' judgements about the amount of learning the children have retained and this informs teachers' planning of future lessons and enables them to identify gaps in learning. Also, it enables children to start developing test techniques and practice as they move through the school.



The assessments are from a highly regarded company that works closely with the DfE so they are in line with SATs expectations and they provided teachers with standardised scores (like the SATs tests.)

This first round of assessments went extremely well and staff have found the results informative.

BSA Christmas Fayre!

What a great turn-out for the Christmas Fayre! Thank you for coming along.

The children's games were well received, their singing was lovely and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

A MASSIVE thank you to the BSA committee members for all of the organising and preparations, and also a huge thank you to everyone who helped on the day.

And, we were visited by Tiny Tim from Chris Mayne's World of Magic!

