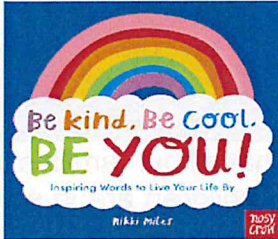


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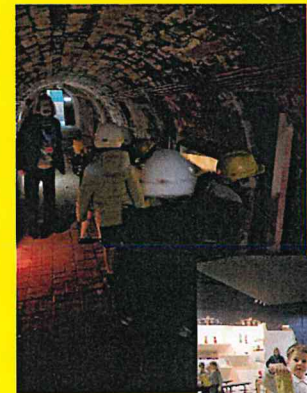
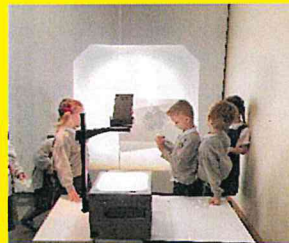
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Give thanks  
Keep Peace

## Y2 Trip

Year 2 had a wonderful trip to the World of Glass on Wednesday. It was lovely to see everything that we had learnt in our History lessons last half term. The children were able to explore the museum, watch a glassblowing demonstration, take part in a workshop about light and walk through the tunnels.



## Phonics Workshops

Thank you to everyone who attended our phonics workshops this week. It was lovely to have so many parents in school. We hope you found them useful and picked up strategies to help your children at home. It makes such a difference to your children's achievements if they have the support at home. Please let us know if you would like any further support.

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/reading-schemes-oxford-levels/read-write-inc-phonics-guide/>

**SCHOOL WEBSITE ADDRESS** [www.rivingtonprimary.co.uk](http://www.rivingtonprimary.co.uk)



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## Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Please can I ask that all our families work hard to ensure that our children are in school all of the time and that children are NOT collected early from school on a regular basis. Yesterday afternoon we had six children collected before 3:20pm! We also have an increasing number of children absent from school due to holidays. Holidays during school time will not be authorised. Our persistent absent figure for the whole school is already 27%. This is significantly higher than the national average. Please also remember that we expect our children in Nursery to attend every day and follow the same guidelines as the rest of our school community. I do appreciate that we have had a great deal of sickness over the past few weeks and if your child is poorly then they can't be in school but if we could all consider holidays and appointments during school time, it would make a big difference to our attendance figure and more importantly ensures that children don't miss out on learning. Thank you for your support with this matter.

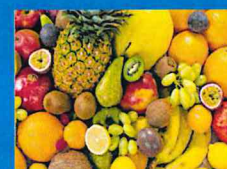
## A Rivington superstar!



We love hearing all about the achievements of our children outside of school. We are so proud that Nevaeh in Y4 is now an international gymnast and will be taking part in a competition in Germany. We wish her the best of luck and can't wait to hear all about it. Well done Nevaeh – you are certainly a good role model for the Rivington Way!

## Breaktime snacks

Just a reminder that children should be bringing in a healthy snack for breaktimes eg a piece of fruit, vegetable, yoghurt. We have noticed that several children are bring in crisps, chocolate and chocolate covered cereal bars for their snacks. Please do not send these into school as we are trying to prompt a healthy and balanced diet. Thank you for your support with this.





### DIARY DATES

Please find below information dates for the term ahead.

Date	Event
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Y2 Trip to Church
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Y1 Trip to Church
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 9:30 am	EYFS Christmas Show
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	HMRC Workshops for Y3-Y6
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 6pm	Choir performing at Church
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Y5 Trip to Church
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Non uniform day (bring chocolate/bottle)
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 9:30am	Y1/Y2 Christmas Show
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner Day/Wear a Christmas Headband
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 3:30pm	PTFA Christmas Event
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 8am	Breakfast with Santa
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 3pm	KS2 Christmas Cracker
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2pm	Last day of term
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET DAY
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Start of Spring Term

### **Weekly Attendance Awards**

Week commencing 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Reception	99%
Y1	91.7%
Y2	96.7%

Y3	98%
Y4	84.3%
Y5	93.3%
Y6	96.4%



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**Well done to all our merit winners this week!**

	<b>Merit 1</b>	<b>Merit 2</b>	<b>Values Merit</b>
<b>Reception</b>	Alice for excellent spatial awareness in maths lesson.	Louie for working really hard to blend in phonics.	Harper for being kind and caring to all of her friends and a role model for the Rivington Way.
<b>Year 1</b>	Olivia for completing her maths task beautifully and working very hard.	Rhea for her lovely descriptions in stories that she writes in school and at home.	Levi for always following the Rivington Way and using lovely manners.
<b>Year 2</b>	Reegan for having a good attitude towards his learning.	Freddie for a well written recount of our trip to the World of Glass.	Lennon for being such a helpful and thoughtful child.
<b>Year 3</b>	Libby and Finlay for impressing all of the teachers with their amazing Spanish! Bravo!	Archie for writing an amazing story filled with unique ideas and beautiful language.	Aveen for being a wonderful role model and a pleasure to have in class every single day.
<b>Year 4</b>	Beau- For having a super week in school and being ready to learn.	Thomas- For working well with others this week.	Ozzie- For putting in an incredible amount of effort this week in all of his lessons.
<b>Year 5</b>	Logan L for his great observations and contributions in our Geography work.	Frankie for the amazing answers he has been giving all week in every subject.	Eva for being a great role model and showing perseverance with the challenge she set herself.
<b>Year 6</b>	James for working hard on his spellings, in and out of school.	AJ for some thoughtful, well-constructed answers in reading lessons.	George for being a lively, positive member of Year 6!



# ADVENT SEASON AT ST ANDREWS DENTONS GREEN

## CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON

Wednesday 6th December 2023 | 7.00 - 8.00PM

Christmas Light Switch on with carols and a walk through the Christmas experience - Follow that Star

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Wednesday 13th December 2023 | 7.00 - 8.30PM

St Helens Concert Band with mulled wine and mince pies  
Free - donations to the band gratefully accepted!

## FOLLOW THAT STAR! CAROL SERVICE

Sunday 17th December 2023 | 7.00 - 8.30PM

Walk through the Christmas Story in word and music!

## CHRISTMAS EVE MIDNIGHT MASS

Sunday 24th December 2023 | 11:15PM

An informal Reflective Midnight Mass Service with Holy Communion

## CHRISTMAS MORNING CELEBRATION

Sunday 25th December 2023 | 10:00AM

Join us for breakfast pastries and Christmas celebrations!

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For full details, visit [standrewsdentonsgreen.org/christmas](http://standrewsdentonsgreen.org/christmas)

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# BRICK CHURCH

SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER  
4.00PM - 5.30PM

Get creative exploring the Christmas story this Advent through Lego bricks, blocks and crafts.

Sharing songs, stories and a light tea together.

All welcome - children must be accompanied by an adult.

For full details, visit  
[standrewsdentonsgreen.org/christmas](http://standrewsdentonsgreen.org/christmas)



## Stan Pennington Allotments Christmas Fundraising Event



*Come and meet  
Santa!*

£5\*

Win a Luxury Hamper, Tombola, Raffle Prizes,  
Cakes, Hot Chocolate, Kiddies Activities,  
plus much, much more...

**9th December 2023**

10.00am - 2.00pm

**Festive Fun for All**

Alder Hey Road, Eccleston, St Helens WA10 4DP.

Santa's Grotto £5 per child including gift, discount for larger families\*

