



South Ossett Infants' Academy

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Thursday 26th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

This half term has flown past. The children are settling well into the routines of school and there are many happy though now also tired faces around school. There are lots of things planned for the coming half term. Most of these are listed below but our school council may also add in another one (or two!).

The last day of school in December will also be significant for us as this will be Miss Broadhead's last day as a teacher at South Ossett. She is taking early retirement, to spend more time with her grandson. She has already told her class, so now we can tell everyone. Miss Broadhead has said that she doesn't want a fuss, so, despite her many years of amazing service to the children of South Ossett, we are respecting her wishes and not having a leaving celebration at school. We wish her all the best.

We have advertised the post and have already had lots of enquiries about the job.

Before you read the dates, a reminder to say PLEASE can you put names in all your child/children's clothes? They are much easier to return to the right person. If your child has lost an item you are welcome to come and look through the lost/unclaimed property box. If your child by accident brings home another child's jumper/cardigan etc, please just return it to school.

Friday 1st December	Pantomime 1.15pm Paid for with money raised for the children by Friends , Chaplin's Theatre Group will be performing Treasure Island in school.
Tuesday 12th December 2.00pm OR Thursday 14th December 2.00pm	Walkabout This is an opportunity to come in to school at 2pm and "walkabout" with your child, in both Main School and Foundation Stage. Your child can show you their classrooms and some of their work, talk about where and how they work, and show you the displays. They will have their work set out at a table ready to share with you. There is tea/coffee/water and squash available and we hope to have a cake stall too. <u>CHOOSING ONLY ONE OF THESE TWO DATES, UP TO TWO ADULTS (+ any brothers or sisters) PER FAMILY can attend.</u>



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	<p>Please DO NOT have one adult on one day and another adult the next – this results in a lack of space for the sessions to run well. Once you know who is able to attend for your child and on which day, please email school.</p> <p>headteacher@southossett.wakefield.sch.uk</p>
Friday 15th December Date and time tbc	Year Two will be singing in Ossett with some of the other EOCT schools
Once again, we are going to hold our Nativity Plays in the Main School Hall. Each child can have up to 3 adults to come along and watch the play. Please do not send more or we will exceed the safe capacity for the Hall. We will also video the dress rehearsal and put this on Teams for anyone not attending.	
Monday 18th December 9.15ish am	Lower and Upper Foundation stage Nativity Play This will take place in the Main School Hall – up to 3 people can attend from each child's family. We will also record this and put it on Teams to share for those who cannot attend. Please
Tuesday 19th December 9.15ish am and	Year One and Two (Key Stage One) Nativity Play This will take place in the Main School Hall – up to 3 people can attend from each child's family. We will also record this and put it on Teams to share for those who cannot attend.
Wednesday 20th December 1.30pm	Year One and Two (Key Stage One) Nativity Play This will take place in the Main School Hall – up to 3 people can attend from each child's family. We will also record this and put it on Teams to share for those who cannot attend.
Thursday 21st December	Reindeer Run for Wakefield Hospice – more information to follow
Friday 22nd December 3.00pm	Weather Permitting – Mini Christmas singalong If the weather is suitable, we will finish the year with a Singalong. All the full-time children will go up to the Foundation Stage playground and sing to and with any parents, carers, families and friends who are able to join us.
Friday 22nd December 3.10pm	School Finishes for Christmas





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We are trying to provide opportunities for you to come in and be involved as well as information so that you know what your child is doing at school so that you can talk with them about this at home and support them. We know that many parents/carers work and may not be able to come in but we are happy for you to choose other significant adults; grandparents, childminders, aunts or uncles and ask them to come along instead- we just ask that you let us know who this will be.

We are always looking for other ways that we could try to further improve working with parents and carers. If you have any comments or feedback on what we already do, or suggestions of other things that we might try, please email me.

As ever, if you have any questions or comments on any of this or other school matters, please speak to me or your child's teacher. If you cannot get into school in person please call or email. We will endeavour to get back to you as quickly as possible if whoever you wish to speak to isn't available to take your call.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Shute



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