



# FRIDAY UPDATE

Friday 13th December 2024



It has been such a lovely week of celebrations with the Rock Steady concert, our Christmas Celebration on Wednesday and watching the Year 3 Christmas production at Park Junior School (for our Year 2's and siblings of the Year 3 cast). Thank you so much for joining us on Wednesday, we were so proud of the readers, actors and singers - they all really rose to the occasion. Thank you for your generosity in the retiring collection for a children's cancer charity and Bliss, the premature baby charity. We will be sending your donations across to these fantastic charities. If you would still like to donate online, the links will be emailed out to you today.

We were also incredibly proud of our Christmas singing group who visited local care homes and brought some festive joy to the residents. We had lovely feedback from the manager who said 'The children were delightful and a credit to your school. The faces of the residents lit up when the children were singing.' Have a wonderful weekend everyone.

In celebration assembly today we said well done to the following children, who received **Special Awards** and special gold Headteacher's Award sticker:

- Kaya** (Beech class) - for a super hot write diary entry, great independence.
- Harry** (Hazel class) - for wonderful singing in church and being a superstar walking there.
- Noel** (Maple class) - for showing great understanding of the Christmas story
- Lesley** (Cherry class) - for always persevering with her learning and beautiful singing.
- Laila** (Willow class) - for effort in her learning and interacting with friends.
- Nusrat** (Oak class) - for her hard work learning her sounds and blending them to read words.



## Class Accolades

- Cherry Class** - Miss Startin was so proud of your beautiful singing at the Christmas Celebration.
  - Willow Class** - Mrs Duncan was impressed with how you have all followed the Golden Rules on our out of school events.
  - Oak Class** - Miss Cotter was so proud of your super singing and brilliant behaviour in church.
- Each class was presented with their Class Accolade certificate and earned two class ticks. Well done everyone!**

## WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK (Autumn 2 Week 7):

- Monday 16th Dec - Rock Steady Club  
- **After school - Father Christmas - appointments only**
- Tuesday 17th - **Breakfast Club family festive breakfast**  
- Year 2 P.E.  
- **FOTAS Christmas Raffle draw - after school Facebook Live**
- Wednesday 18th -
- Thursday 19th - Year 1 P.E.
- Friday 20th - Reception P.E.  
- **END OF TERM 3.15pm.**

**SCHOOL REOPENS TO PUPILS ON MONDAY 6TH JANUARY 2025**

**LETTERS / EMAILS HOME THIS WEEK:**  
Charity donation links



As part of our commitment to safeguarding, it is important that we ensure that parents/carers are as informed as possible about safety.

### Top tips for safety over the festive season

The holiday season is a time for celebration, relaxation and spending well-earned time with loved ones. While this period will hopefully be calm, it's important that parents and educators acknowledge there are still things we can do to make these weeks as safe as possible for the young people in our care.

Of course, it's not immediately obvious what can or should be done to stay safe over the festive season. This free guide offers expert advice on the steps you can take to enjoy a less fraught winter break, safeguarding any youngsters who might be present for the celebrations.

The guide on this subject can be downloaded from our school Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/TheAvenueInfantSchool/> and from the school website.