

Friday 12th December 2025

Newsletter

Dear Pupils, Parents, Carers and Friends,



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The third week of Advent and Gaudete Sunday brings joy - Christmas and Christ are near!

AC Academy Choir Christmas Concert

Wednesday 17th December 7pm
 AC Academy Christmas Concert
 Holy Trinity Church, Broadgate



Alton Castle 2025



Christmas Nativity

Nursery and Reception will be presenting their Christmas production of 'Baarmy Bethlehem' for parents at 9.30am on Thursday 18th December. Please be on time and don't miss it!



Thanks to ARYPT, we had the most fantastic weekend at Alton Castle with loads of adventurous activities and fun!



Christmas Disco

Thursday 18th December

3pm - 4pm KS1
 4.15pm - 5.15pm KS2

Free!

* Children must have a good behaviour record to attend. they have three 'strikes'.

Reverse Advent Calendar

Our Mini Vinnies group are organising a reverse advent calendar for local foodbanks - instead of receiving, we give!

We are particularly asking you to donate:

Nursery/Reception: tinned items

Y1/2: toiletries (shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste, tissues, toothbrushes)

Y3/4: Snacks (biscuits)

Y5/6: Cereals and pasta



After School Clubs *Please remember to sign up in advance.*

- After School Clubs: 3 - 4pm £2
- Breakfast Club: 7.45am - 8.30am £2 including breakfast
- Staylate: 3 - 5.30pm £5 including a snack

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
- Activities - Cookery - Y6 Maths IT - Boys' Football (Y5/6)	- Activities - Multi-sports (Y1/2) - Martial Arts (KS2) - Netball (KS2)	- Activities - Computers - Tennis (Y2+) - Girls' Football (Y5/6) <i>No Eritrean Club No AC - Concert</i>	School Disco	- Activities

Our value of the month is...
Generosity



Looking forward... *It's the most wonderful (and busiest) time of the year!*

Sunday 14th December Gaudete Sunday	 9.30am/11.30am Mass Ss Mary and Benedict Church
Monday 15th December	9.15am Whole School Mass School Hall 2.15pm Book Look for Y3/4 Termly Reports to go out
Tuesday 16th December	Children's Christmas Dinner 2.15pm Book Look for Y1/2
Wednesday 17th December	2.15pm Book Look for Y5/6 7pm AC Academy Choir Concert at Holy Trinity Church, Broadgate, City Centre
Thursday 18th December	9.30am EYFS Christmas Production for Parents Non-uniform day for Christmas Parties Disco: 3-4pm KS1 4.15pm-5.15pm KS2
Friday 19th December	9am Christmas Assembly - Stars of the Term Last day of term
Monday 5th January	All children return to school



Have a lovely weekend!

Pauline MacDonald
Head Teacher

Christmas is just around the corner! 🎄 Today our EYFS children enjoyed a Festive Showcase, making mini trees, salt dough decorations, Santa Christmas eve plates and reindeer food. We even built a sleigh to go on a Santa hunt! 🧑🏻‍🎅

#PlayingIsLearning #Magical #InvitationToPlay



Little hands, festive plans! Nursery children creating Christmas Eve door hangers and writing to Father Christmas 🇪🇸 #PreWriting #FineMotor #Magical #PlayingIsLearning



Another busy week at SMSB!

Coventry HAF

Holiday Activities and Food Programme 2025

20 December 2025 - 4 January 2026

Book your child's place on our free winter HAF clubs

Book now

No HAF code required



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