



# School Newsletter

## Attendance this week

### Full School

91.22%

### EYFS/KS1

#### RCM

95.37%

### KS2

#### 5DC

95.40%

## A Message from Miss Pitts

Yesterday we welcomed Santa into school and he visited our Griffin Tots group, EYFS and Key Stage 1 pupils delivering a present to them all. It was great to see the pupils enjoying their visit from Santa - there was certainly a lot of excitement in school when they spotted him!

We are looking forward to welcoming you into school next week for the Christmas Carol concerts. Please see more information below and on the letters/Parentmails which we have sent out about them.

Yesterday was the last Griffin Tots of the term. It will re-start on Thursday 11th January 2024 from 9-10am in the school hall.

Miss Pitts,  
Head of School



Griffin's X page

## Contact Us

Call 01482 794122

Select **option 1** to report absences.

Select **option 2** to speak to a member of staff.

Email:

[griffin.enquiries@vennacademy.org](mailto:griffin.enquiries@vennacademy.org)

## Important Information

School doors open at 8.40am.

School ends at 3.30pm, except on a Thursday when it ends at 1.50pm.

**Gates open at 8.30am and 3.10pm daily.**

**Gates close at 8.55am daily.**

**On Thursday, gates open at 1.25pm.**

### School Doors

- Red Door - Reception
- Green Door - Year 1 and 2
- Yellow Door - Year 3 and 4TH
- White Door - 4SS
- Blue Door - Year 5 and 6

## Christmas event dates

### Christmas carol concerts - Week beginning 18th December 2023

Tickets are still available for the Christmas carol concerts taking place next week. Tickets are free of charge but are limited to 2 per child. They are available at the school office.

- Nursery and Reception - Monday 18th December 2023 at 9.15am.
- Year 1 and 2 - Tuesday 19th December 2023 at 9.15am.
- Year 3 and 4 - Wednesday 20th December 2023 at 9.15am.
- Year 5 and 6 - Thursday 21st December 2023 at 9.15am

### Christmas lunch - Wednesday 20th December 2023

The school Christmas lunch will be taking place on Wednesday 20th December 2023 for pupils only. Pupils can wear Christmas jumpers or the t-shirts they decorated last week.

### Christmas parties - Friday 22nd December 2023

Pupils can wear party clothes for the parties on Friday 22nd December 2023. Each pupil will get a drink, packet of crisps and a chocolate bar/bag of jelly sweets. Please pay a donation of 50p either via Parentmail or in cash at the school office.

## Times Table Fact of the Week

Each week we will be sharing the fact of the week for the school.

Our Times Table fact of the week is ...

$$4 \times 6 = 24 \quad 24 \div 6 = 4$$

$$6 \times 4 = 24 \quad 24 \div 4 = 6$$

## Reading Corner

### World Book Day 2024

It may seem too early to be thinking about next year but it'll soon be upon us!

March 7th 2024 is World Book Day. This is always a popular event at Griffin. A quick message from the World Book Day founder, "Reading is fun, relevant, accessible, exciting, and has the power to transform lives."

Start thinking about which book character you might like to be, maybe you could start your homemade costume over the Christmas holidays!

## End of term

This term ends on Friday 22nd December 2023 at 1.50pm for all pupils, including Nursery

Pupils return to school on Tuesday 9th January 2024.

Gates open at 8.40am

## Money raised

Thank you for supporting our Christmas t-shirt decorating last week.

We raised £231 on the tombola for the St. Philip's Church Foodbank; and £325 from the raffle, refreshments and craft items which will be used to purchase playground equipment for the school.