



Christmas Events in School

December is upon us and we have already started decorating school and rehearsals for the nativity performance are in full swing! Mrs Plant is messaging parents to let you know if you need to provide anything for your child's costume. Today the pupils all received an advent calendar from our school mascots Tulip and Poppy...thank you so much to Scarlett and her family for donating them.



We have lots of lovely Christmassy things happening in school and we hope you will be able to join us at some of them...

Thursday 8 December: Christmas Jumper Day—pupils wear school uniform with their Christmas jumper! Suggested donations of £1.

Monday 12 December: PFTA Christmas Market at 2:30pm-4:30pm including a visit from the Houghton Park Reindeers

Wednesday 14 December: Nativity Performance 2:00pm in the school hall

Friday 16 December: Whole School Pantomime trip

Monday 19 December: Christmas Craft morning

Christingle Service at church at 2pm

Tuesday 20 December: Christmas Lunch Day (letters being sent separately for parents to order for this)

Wednesday 21 December: Christmas Party Morning so pupils can come in party clothes/non uniform including a party bag lunch. School closes for the Christmas break and pupils can be collected from 1pm today.

Meet our new Pupil Leadership Team

Our Year 6 and Year 2 pupils have taken on their new roles as pupil leaders. They will be regularly updating you on what they are doing in our school community. Introducing Maisie, Max, Harry, Amy, Joshua T, Eliza, Scarlett, Alexa, Joshua O-A, Matthew and Emily. In the new year they will be meeting with the Rotary club and the Youth Mayor for Bassetlaw. Watch this space!



Important change to Year 6 SATS week 2023:

The extra bank holiday to commemorate the King's coronation on Monday 8th May 2023 will cause Year 6 pupils to take their Key Stage 2 SATs one day later than originally scheduled in May. The Standards and Testing Agency have confirmed that KS2 SATs will take place in the same week and in the usual order, but each will take place "one day later than originally planned". As such, the new schedule will be as follows:

Tuesday 9 May 2023: English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)

Wednesday 10 May 2023: English reading paper

Thursday 11 May 2023: mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)

Friday 12 May 2023: mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)



As the cost of living continues to have an impact on families, please remember that if your circumstances change you can check if you qualify for additional support for your child.

This will entitle your child to things like Free School Meals, subsidised and/or visits paid for. To see if you qualify you just need to some personal details such as National Insurance Number, date of birth and surname and you can apply yourself. The website links below explain some other Local Authority support options and also gives you the link for making your application. Alternatively you can give them a call on 0300 500 8080

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/financial-support/financial-support>

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-milk/>

Monday 5 December

Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am

Rhubarb Farm Mobile Pantry (Food Hub) 2:45pm



Tuesday 6 December

Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am

Mattersey Munchkin Playgroup (2:00-3:00pm) **CANCELLED until further notice**
PE Hive Class

Wednesday 7 December

Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am

Afterschool club: Generation Pound (3:15pm- 4:15pm)

Thursday 8 December

Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day £1

Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am

KS2 Toots Music Lesson AM with Mr Poole

PE Whole School PM

Afterschool club : Kixx (3:15pm—4pm)



Friday 9 December

Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am

PE Burrow Class PM

Future Dates:

12 December: PFTA Christmas Market including Houghton Park Reindeers 2:30pm

12 December: Food Hub at 2:45pm

14 December : Nativity Performance 2:00pm

16 December: Whole School Pantomime trip (AM)

19 December: Christingle Service 2pm and Christmas Craft morning . Food Hub at 2:45pm.

20 December: Christmas Lunch Day

21 December 2022: Christmas Party Morning. School closes for the Christmas break and pupils can be collected from 1:15pm.

4 January 2023: Start of the Spring Term

10 February 2023: School closes for the Half term break

20 February 2023: INSET day school closed to pupils

21 February 2023: Pupils return to school after the Half term break

31 March 2023: End of the Spring term. School closes for the Easter break

W/C 8 May 2023: Year 6 SATS week

*Don't forget to regularly check Class Dojo and our school website:
www.mattersey.notts.sch.uk*

Just a reminder that Mattersey PTFA have an **EasyFundraising** account which is the UK's biggest charity fundraising shopping site. It is simple to use and it is FREE. If you haven't done so already, register your name and email address and get



shopping: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/matterseyprimaryschoolptfa>

Attendance Matters

Our whole school attendance target is 97%

We've had lots of poorly pupils this week which has meant low attendance rates putting our attendance currently at **89.5%**. We know that we've had some really poorly children with a nasty virus going round, but please can we remind all parents how important attendance at school is. **If your child is too unwell for school then you should keep them at home, but please can we ask that you do send your child to school unless this is the case and they absolutely could not manage school. Be assured that if any child became too unwell to be at school we would contact parents.** Missing even one day at school can impact on your child's education. There is clear evidence linking good attendance at school to good progress. Let's hope everyone is better soon and can be back in school on Monday to enjoy our preparations for the nativity and other fantastic learning opportunities.



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Christmas Fundraiser Raffle 2022

Tickets: 50p each or £5 for a book of 10

*Donations Welcome for our
Hamper and Prizes*

Tickets are available to purchase from school

(01777 817265) or

office28@mattersey.notts.sch.uk

and are also being sold by our PTFA.

**Raffle will be drawn on Tuesday 20th December during our
Christmas Dinner event.**

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Registration Number: SL0233

