



"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

To strive for respect, enjoyment and excellence for all!

19.11.25

Dear Parents and Carers,

In Collective Worship this week we have continued focusing on our theme of Compassion with our Ethos Team organising and leading the Worship. Well done everyone involved! We have been listening to music from the Blues genre. It was a lively way to start the week.



Sharing Assemblies

This week, it's our Key Stage 1 Music Assembly (21st November). Next week it's Parliament Week so the hall will be used for debating. The Y6 Sharing Assembly that we have to postpone from earlier this term will be held on the 5th December.



Y3 Change To Staffing

Our lovely Miss Munro is beginning a new adventure in her career after Christmas and joining a children's pastoral support team in Stockport. We all wish Miss Munro well in her new career but the good news is that she will

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continue to teach Year 3 on Mondays. Miss O'Connor (who has been working with us over the last few weeks) will teach Tuesdays- Fridays. Miss Cregan (who is currently on Maternity Leave) will teach Year 3 when she returns in the Summer Term. Miss Gerrard will teach Year 4 for the remainder of the year.

Christmas Disco 17th December



From 3.20 we will be hosting a 'Mini Festive Fun Hub and disco'. Downstairs there will be:

- Tombola
- Christmas Hamper Raffle
- Games and Quiz
- Delicious Treats

Upstairs there will be a festive disco (tickets available from the school office).

In the run up to the event we will be selling raffle tickets and running a 'Name The Baby' competition' and 'Guess the number of candy canes in the jar' competition. Please see Mrs Birkett for any further information. Thank you to all of the staff who are involved in the preparation and running of these events.

Clubs

Clubs finish on 5th December,

Lunchtimes

Our school yards are really limiting in terms of the opportunities for play at lunchtimes. After Christmas our staff are introducing 'Play Zones' so we can offer more than football and free play. To help resources this, I am looking for donations of second hand equipment and toys so we can provide as much as we can without breaking the bank.

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Every fortnight I will be asking for specific donations to help with storage (so it doesn't all come in at once). With Christmas coming, some of you may be thinking of throwing away some toys that are in good condition that we would be able to use, so please keep an eye on this newsletter.

Donations aimed at primary school age children

Scooters, bikes, trikes, balance bikes

Board games

Dressing Up Clothes

Dolls and other 'small world' items

e.g. toy animals, play kitchen equipment

Small suitcases on wheels

All donations gratefully received.

God bless,

Mrs Bladen-Kay

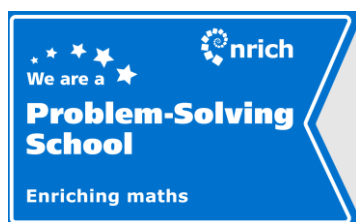
Head Teacher

Autumn Term 2025 Key Dates (subject to change)	
November	
19 th	Standards and Welfare Committee
24 th	Parliament Week
December	
1 st	Y3 Class Prayer Assembly Week Mathstermind Competition
3 rd	Panto Day Full Governing Board Meeting
5 th	Clubs finish KS2 Carol Concert at St Andrews Church Y6 Sharing Assembly
7 th	Audacious Big Sing Event
8 th	AM Nativity Dress Rehearsal (N & R)
9 th	Rev Jez Collective Worship PM N & R Nativity Performance
10 th	AM N & R Christmas Performance
11 th	Christmas Lunch
12 th	AM KS1 Dress Rehearsal
15 th	PM KS1 Performance
16 th	AM KS1 Performance
17 th	PM Christmas Parties Christmas Disco
18 th	End of term (3.20pm finish)
School re-opens 6 th January 2026	

Fortnightly Maths Challenge

<https://nrich.maths.org/problems/less-more>

All solutions to be handed in to Mrs Bladen-Kay



Dotty Six



Here's a game to play with a friend, a 3 by 3 grid and a six-sided dice.

Take turns to throw a dice, then draw that many dots in one of the boxes on the grid. You can't split them up and a box can't contain more than six dots.

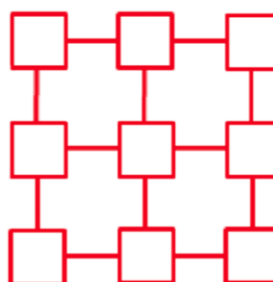
The person who completes a line of three sixes wins!

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Number Differences

Place the numbers from 1 to 9 in the squares below so that the difference between joined squares is odd. (You must use each of the numbers once.)



Can you find some other ways to do this?

Can you put the numbers in the squares so that the difference between joined squares is even? Explain your answer.

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