



# NEWSLETTER

*'If you believe it, you can achieve it'*

Friday 16th December 2022

Dear families,

We have had a fantastic week of learning and festive activities here at Cottons Farm Primary Academy. On Tuesday, the school visited St Stephens church; we enjoyed hearing the Christmas story and singing two of our favourite songs. In the afternoon, the children performed the Christmas carols they had been practising; we were so impressed with the wonderful singing. On Wednesday, Donaldson class had a special trip to the post box, to post their letters to Father Christmas; the children have been working hard on their letter formation and sentences— well done. Don't forget we have a Christmas card post box in school! Rundell class have enjoyed their D&T work this week, creating their own Anderson shelters from recyclable materials.

On Thursday, Ahlberg and Donaldson class performed the nativity to the school, followed by the parents today. A HUGE well done to all the children, you were FANTASTIC! We are extremely proud of the confidence and resilience they showed. Also, a huge thank you to the staff involved— you have worked really hard and it is greatly appreciated. Finally, at the end of the school day, we had a visit from the 'Travelling Caroller'— thank you to the team at St Giles church, the children really enjoyed the carols (especially joining in as sheep!) There are lots of lovely activities happening next week (see the posters to follow); we look forward to seeing you in school again.



Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Patmore (Principal)

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Christmas fair and arts & crafts in the classroom— Monday 19th at 2:30pm

Christmas breakfast and Father Christmas— Wednesday 21st at 9am

Last day of term— Thursday 22nd  
December

Return to school— Monday 9th January 2023

Clubs next half term:

Wednesday— Archery for KS1 & KS2

Thursday— Dance for KS1 & KS2

Friday—Team games for KS1 & KS2

## The Harmony Pledge

The Character Competencies:



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| 1. <b>Aspirational</b> | 6. <b>Communicator</b>   |
| 2. <b>Confident</b>    | 7. <b>Motivational</b>   |
| 3. <b>Resilient</b>    | 8. <b>Co-operative</b>   |
| 4. <b>Tolerant</b>     | 9. <b>Problem Solver</b> |
| 5. <b>Creative</b>     | 10. <b>Honest</b>        |



## ATTENDANCE

Attendance EVERY day at school counts!

Class attendance for this week

Ahlberg — 87.50%

Donaldson — 92.69%

Cowell — 94.83%

Rundell — 89.90%

Well done to Cowell Class!



## SEND and Inclusion News

Did you know that Derby City run Autism Family Support Hubs? These are free of charge and offer a supportive space for you, your child and their siblings. Further details and session dates below:

**Derby City Family Support Hub**

**Session dates for 2023**

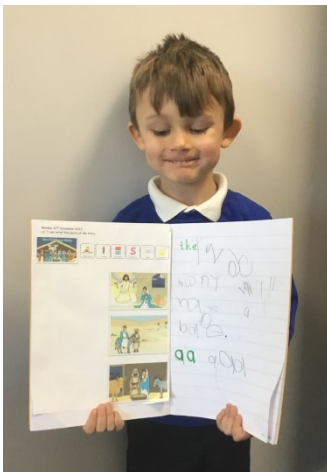
Chellaston Community Association  
Barley Croft, Chellaston  
Derby DE73 6TU

Usually the last Saturday of the month, 2.30-5pm

January 28 <sup>th</sup>	February 25 <sup>th</sup>
March 25 <sup>th</sup>	April 29 <sup>th</sup>
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	June 24 <sup>th</sup>
July 29 <sup>th</sup>	August 26 <sup>th</sup>
September 30 <sup>th</sup>	October 28 <sup>th</sup>
November 25 <sup>th</sup>	December event TBC



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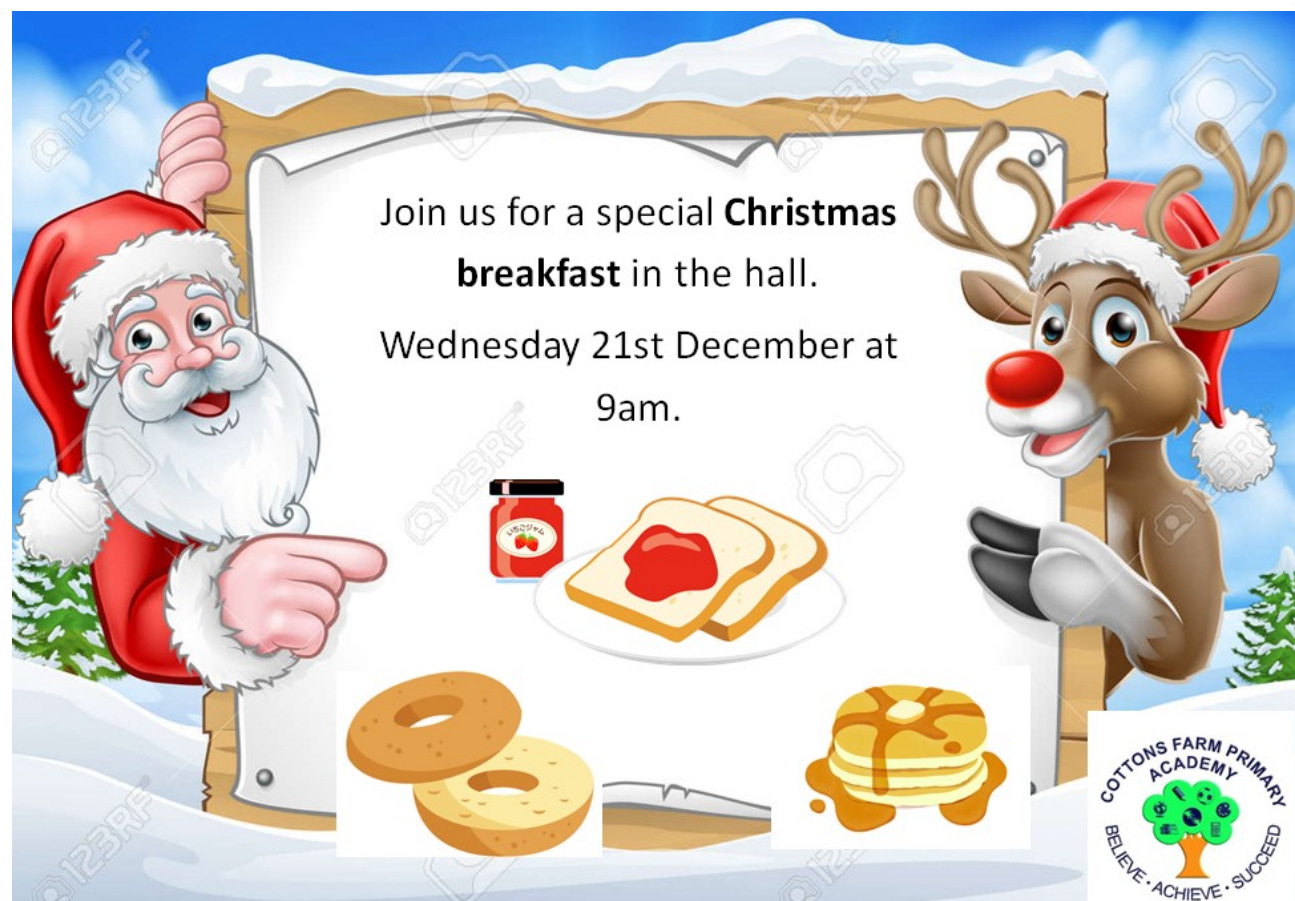
Children can bring in Christmas cards to be hand-delivered in school.



# Christmas Fair

and Christmas crafts in the classroom

Monday 19th December at 2:30pm.







Class parties

Come in non-school uniform (sensible party clothes)

Bring a snack

School will provide crisps and juice

Cowell– Wednesday 21st

Ahlberg, Donaldson & Rundell– Thursday 22nd

