



NEWSLETTER

'If you believe it, you can achieve it'

Friday 2nd December 2022

Dear families,

We have had a busy week of learning here at Cottons Farm Primary Academy. In Monday's assembly, Mrs Grainger introduced advent and explained the idea of a countdown of reading activities leading up to Christmas. Huge thanks to Doorways charity for the kind donation of an advent calendar for every child!

This week, the children have been working hard on different assessments in reading, writing and maths. This has allowed them to demonstrate the progress they are making and helps teachers decide their next steps. Well done children.

On Tuesday 13th December, we would like to invite you to our Christmas carol concert at 2:40pm. This week the children started learning the carols, it is lovely to hear some enthusiastic singers!

Ahlberg and Donaldson class parents will have received a letter about tickets for the nativity. The tickets will be available to these parents first, if any remain Cowell and Rundell class parents will be informed.

All parents will have been invited to our Christmas breakfast on Wednesday 21st December. There is also the opportunity to purchase a ticket (£2) for a photo and present from Father Christmas.

Next week it is Christmas jumper day on Thursday 8th December. Wear a Christmas jumper, or Christmas hat. If you would like to enter the colouring competition, please bring 20p.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Patmore (Principal)

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Weekly story time every Friday in EYFS at

9am

Christmas dinner– Wednesday 14th

December

Christmas jumper day– Thursday 8th

December

More Christmas events dates to come!!

Last day of term– Thursday 22nd

December



Thursday 8th December

Wear your Christmas jumper if you have one, or a Christmas hat.

Bring 20p to enter the Christmas colouring competition.

The Harmony Pledge

The Character Competencies:



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



ATTENDANCE

Attendance EVERY day at school counts!

Class attendance for this week

Ahlberg — 95.20%

Donaldson — 93.91%

Cowell — 88.33%

Rundell — 88.76%

Well done to Ahlberg Class!



SEND and Inclusion News

Derby City are currently running a support service for parents of children with an Autism (ASD) diagnosis:



Derby City Local Offer

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ASD support service for parent-carers delivered by Children's Centre Autism Champions! Appointments will be either face-to-face sessions with limited numbers in our Centres, or 1-1 telephone support.

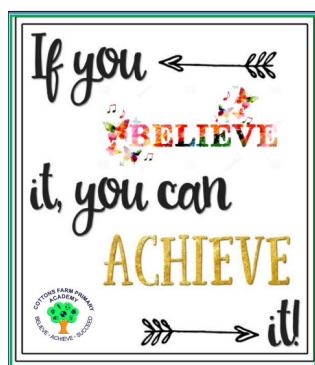
Where: Boulton Children's Centre, 47b Holbrook Road, Alvaston, Derby, DE24 0DD.

When: Tuesday 6 December 10.00am - 11.30am

To book your place contact Osmaston/Allenton Children's Centre on 01332 956850 or Email: boulton.childrenscentre@derby.gov.uk

You can also reach out to myself or your child's class teacher if there's any SEN support or

advice you need. **Mrs Grainger.**



To Doorways charity– thank you for our advent

calendars!



Class of the Week

Wow! What a week we have had in Donaldson!



This week, the children have been working so hard to complete all their rainbow challenges!

It has also been assessment week and the children have worked hard to recall their learning in maths from the start of the year!

In English the children have now finished their facts files on castles!

The children have also been making their own winter scenes inspired by the artist Monet.

We have also been practising for the Nativity which is in 2 weeks- see the letter about tickets.

Here are some photos from our learning this week. If you want to see more, or watch our learning videos use the QR Code!

