



Tividale Hall Primary School Newsletter

Friday 19th December 2025



A message from Mrs Pugliese

Dear Parents and Carers,
Apologies for the lack of a newsletter last Friday and also if you were unable to contact us by email or telephone. There was a technical glitch throughout the day and our internet services were disrupted. Therefore, this week's newsletter comes to you, busier than ever! With a whole 2 weeks of festive fun and Christmas activities it surely has been a fantastic lead up to the end of the Autumn Term.

Christmas Performances

We started off our Christmas celebrations with two fantastic performances from years 1, 2 and 3, and year 4 and year 5. The children sang brilliantly as well as reading poems and jokes – the productions certainly got us all into the Christmas spirit and were a sparkling success! Nursery put on a fantastic Christmas show, singing brilliantly and sharing Christmas cheer! On Thursday, Reception put on a spectacular nativity. It was wonderful to see how much the children have grown in confidence since starting school in September. It was great to see that so many of you could join us.

Christmas Dinner Day

Last week, on Christmas jumper day, many of the children enjoyed a fantastic Christmas dinner cooked as always, by our wonderful kitchen staff. They did a fantastic job and the children really loved pulling crackers and wearing their paper hats, whilst they ate their festive lunch.

Breakfast with Santa

This year we have introduced a new event arranged by Miss Stanley and the English team – Breakfast with Santa. This has been a huge success and has been a magical experience for those who attended. Thank you to our English team for making this such a special event for our parents and children. We would also like to send a big thank you to Santa who has been extremely bust at Tividale Hall this year. Not only was he at our Christmas Fair he has been here for breakfast 3 times and also visited the class parties today, to see all of the children.

Snap Bands

If your child owns a snap band, please be mindful of not to let them tear off the outer plastic layer – this is there for protective comfort as well as decoration. The metal strip inside should not be played with the cover removed, as it may cause harm due to the sharp edging, that causes the band to curl.

Return to School

All children return to school on Monday 5th January 2026. We will be offering a new selection of clubs for the Spring term – letters will go out to parents during the first week back. We will also be having meetings for parents regarding statutory assessments for years 1, 4 and 6 as well as maths workshops for parents to attend with their child. All dates can be found in the table below.

At Christmas time...

As we go home with our family and friends
When 2025 comes to an end
Our parents and carers – they give us a hug
We light up the fire – it's cosy and snug
Make warm hot chocolate, a marshmallow treat
Wear thick, fluffy socks to cuddle our feet
Decorate trees with twinkling lights
Burn scented candles into the night
Play TV, music, games and cards
Pull a cracker, a game of charades
Visit the houses of one and another
Are told you must share with your sister and brother
Eat turkey, carrots, stuffing and peas
Parsnips, sprouts, crackers and cheese
Mince pies, puddings and chocolate dreams
Candy canes and peppermint creams
Wrapping paper all over the floor
Brand new toys and gadgets galore
Presents, gifts, a mysterious shape
Cards, money and parcels with tape
As we have fun through the end of December
Stop for a moment and try to remember
The people out there who don't have a bed
Or a warm place to rest their head
Remember those who have nothing to eat
Nothing to wear on the soles of their feet
Those with no family or someone to care
People who have nobody there
Not everyone has the things that we do
Christmas this year will be hard – it's true
As we open gifts and eat till we burst
This time of year – for some it's the worst
So have fun and be happy, have lots of cheer
But try to think about others this year
Spare a thought, say a prayer
Enjoy yourself - but show that you care



Kind Regards

Mrs G. Pugliese
Head Teacher

Platinum AWARDS



Class	Platinum award
Ducklings	Finn
Cygnets	Delilah
Reception	Ziggy
Dragonflies	Ailani
Grasshoppers	Lottie
Hedgehogs	Millie
Squirrels	Olivia
Badgers	Jaxson
Foxes	Aria
Woodpeckers	Tyler
Kingfishers	Noah
Eagles	Penelope
Hawks	Amber
Jaguars	Scarlett
Panthers	Holly

Gold AWARDS

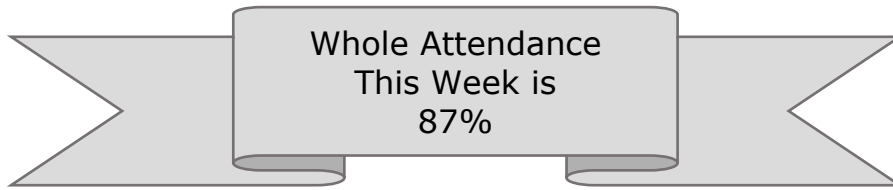


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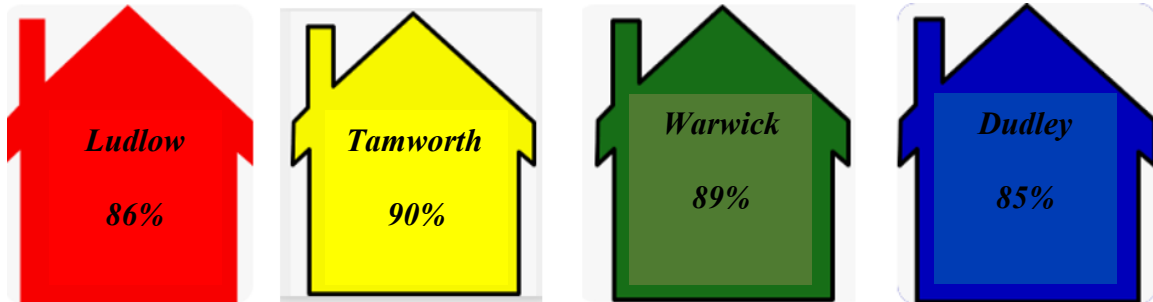
Reception	Helin
Dragonflies	Leah
Grasshoppers	Sophia
Hedgehogs	Toby
Squirrels	Theo
Badgers	Remi
Foxes	Iosua
Woodpeckers	Khushpreet
Kingfishers	Keegan
Eagles	Amelia
Hawks	Abdullah
Jaguars	Archie
Panthers	Darcey



ATTENDANCE



House Attendance



The house with the best attendance is Tamworth with 90%. They will get 10 extra house points.

Class Attendance League Table

Class	Attendance this week
Reception	80%
Dragonflies	79%
Grasshoppers	67%
Hedgehogs	89%
Squirrels	92%
Badgers	97%
Foxes	86%
Kingfishers	94%
Woodpeckers	96%
Eagles	94%
Hawks	88%
Jaguars	94%
Panthers	80%



The class with the best attendance is Badgers with 97%. They will get to keep Kevin the Carrot during the first week back and have 10 minutes extra play time.

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

Our attendance target is

97%



Diary Dates



Spring Term- first half (Monday 5 th January – Friday 13 th February inclusive)	
Monday 5th January	Term starts – Children Return to School/Learning Launch
Tuesday 13 th January	Y6 SATs Talk for Parents – 2.30pm
Wednesday 14 th January	Y4 Multiplication Check Talk for Parents – 2.30pm
Thursday 15 th January	Y1 Phonics Screening Check Talk for Parents – 2.30pm
	Nursery Maths Workshop for parents 11:00am & 2:15pm
Tuesday 3 rd February	Year 2 Maths Workshop for parents 9:15am Year 1 Maths workshop for parents 2:15pm
Wednesday 4 th February	Year 3 Maths Workshop for parents 9:15am Year 4 Maths Workshop for parents 2:15pm
Wednesday 4 th February	Kingfishers swimming until 22 nd April
Thursday 5 th February	Year 5 Maths Workshop for parents 9:15am Year 6 Maths Workshop for parents 2:15pm
Friday 6 th February	Reception Maths Workshop for parents 9:15am
Monday 9 th - Friday 13 th February	Keeping Safe Week
Tuesday 10 th February	Safer Internet Day
Tuesday 10 th February	Online Safety Workshop for Parents – 2.30pm
Thursday 12 th February	Y5 Chinese New Year Performance for Parents – 9.15am
Thursday 12 th February	Parents' Evening 3.45pm – 6:00pm
Friday 13th February	Break up for Half Term



Spring term 2026

- Term starts: Monday 5 January 2026
- Half-term holiday: Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February 2026
- Back in school – Monday 23rd February
 - Term ends: Friday 27 March 2026
- Easter Holiday: Monday 30 March to Friday 10 April 2026

Spotlight on ...Year 3

In the deep forest in the distance was a dark massive cave. I slowly walked over to the mysterious cave the cool night air brushed softly against my skin. The sky was pitch black, quiet and twinkling brightly with stars. There was a warm, crackling fire in the center of the cave. Inside the cave there was ~~an~~ ^{different} ancient cave paint painting that had pictures of animals. There were rough, hard and rocky ~~in~~ ^{where} there was a sharp wooden and poorly ~~year~~ spear and there was a white skull of an animal that died a long time ago. Have you ever seen an ancient cave?

Eveleen

Foxes

The hot burning fire was flickering. The sky ~~gules~~ ^{glowed} with white, fascinating stars. people sat around the blazing, crackling fire slowly. In the sky was a bright round moon. The cave was ~~g~~ ^{gl} with dark night drawings.

The cold wind made me shivering. The hot burning orange ~~was~~ ^{glowed} seen from across the far. The gloomy, dark trees stood high in the sky.

The hot burning fire was flickering. The sky ~~glowed~~ ^{glowed} with twinkling shining stars. people sat around the hot orange fire. The cave was ~~g~~ ^{gl} with dark mysterious drawings.

Dakota

Badgers

In the deep dark forest, sat an old cave. As I ^{walked} walked in, I saw some red, intricate cave paintings. I could feel cold, gentle night breeze on my arm. There was the sweet, quiet rain dripping from the ceiling. Near by was a sharp wooden spear. There was the mesmerizing, crackling fire in the center of the cave. The white, bright moon was like an eye watching over. The cave was dead, silent. As I walked, I saw glowing, bright wall. Underneath on the damp, wet floor. Above in the enormous, peaceful sky, the sparkling, small stars shone in the massive, old sky. The dirt, small footprints were visible on the wet, hard ground. Leaning against the wall was a brown, fierce spear. The sounds that could be heard were crackling and dripping. The popping, sizzling fire is so mesmerizing, like captivation. I walked slowly and carefully, because I was scared. Have you ever heard crackling, sizzling fire before?

Aria

Foxes

There was a cave in the middle of nowhere. It was really cold and windy. There were shiny bright stars surrounding the cave. There was a bright hanging moon above the cave. I was captivated by the cave art.

There was a hot, glowing fire ahead. There was a grey, smelly smoke hitting my face and it smells because it went straight up my nose.

There was a sharp, pointy spear. It was leaning on the wall and I built the spear with wood and rock, string. The walls are all bumpy, jagged walls.

Captivated - word of the week

Blake

Badgers

In the darkest forest there was an ancient, shadowy cave. When I stepped into the cave it was cold with the ~~right~~ air sliding on my skin and the cave was massive. In the cave I saw a bright, flickering fire so I ~~curiously~~ walked to it. There were also red, black cave paintings on the rough, bumpy walls. There was a long, brown spear lying on the rocks. In the cave the earth was rocky and wet because of the ceiling. Outside the cave the cave there was a round, bulbous moon in the quite, dark sky. In the sky there were also white, twinkling stars. The green, tall trees were planted in the ground and the wind was howling loudly in the air. In the cave I could see my footprints printed into the muddy earth. There was also a ^{burning} smell coming from the fire because the burning ^{smell} was lingering in the air. I also captivated the skull on the wall. Have you ever seen a scary, deep cave in a massive, ancient forest?

Ryan

Foxes

There is a dark, scary cave in the forest. The moon high up in the gray blue sky when you walk into the cave you can hear the loud crackling fire. The people ran into the cave quickly.

The Sparkly, silver stars hung in the sky. The moon was silver, sparkly. The big sparkly moon went behind the clouds. I captivated at the big, round, moon. The big, cold moon hung in the sky. The big silver moon hung above us. The tiny, rough stars hung above us.

The burning, hot fire was hot and right. I captivated at the hot burning fire. The people captivated at the hot crackling fire. The burning, crackling, fire burned people. The burning hot fire sat on the ground.

Harper

Badgers

Achievements Out Of School



A huge well done to Daisy-Mae who received a Star Award at her Dance Academy for her hard work and resilience.

**OUR FUTURE
STARTS HERE**