

# ADELAIDE NEWS - December

## Attendance Information (Target is 96% or more)

	FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<b>Attendance this month</b>	82.5%	93.5%	93.7%	95.7%	96.1%	96.6%	95.5%
<b>Attendance since September</b>	90.7%	95.4%	94.4%	96.0%	96.77%	97.04%	96.1%

Dear parents and carers,

This will be our final newsletter of 2023. The Autumn Term has been a very long one, with all of our classrooms busy with lots of learning taking place.

**Children will break off for their holidays on Friday 22nd December and return to school on Tuesday 9th January.** If you are ever unsure of term dates then do just check them out on the school website: <https://adelaideprimary.org.uk/term-dates/>

### Staffing updates:

- Mrs Adkinson has started her return to work after having an operation. All the staff and children have been looking forward to having her back.
- Miss Barnwell has returned from maternity leave and will be teaching the Year 5 Wolves from January, alongside Miss Coolledge.
- Mr Butler has taken on a different role in the school and so will step down from teaching the Y5 Wolves in January and will be working across most classes throughout the term.
- We have 3 new teaching assistants joining the team in January: Mrs Wilson into EYFS, Miss Cummins into EYFS and Mrs Miah into Year 4. This will really strengthen the team and give us additional capacity to support our pupils throughout the school day.

### The Christmas Fair:

This was only our second fair, and we were blown away by the overwhelming support and love we received from our families. The school was super busy in the run up to the fair with all the children involved in one way or another with their stalls and also on the day itself. A lot of work goes on behind the scenes of these events so we are always looking to adapt and improve for the future. Some families felt that school was too busy so we are taking on board the feedback and thinking of tweaks we can make, ready for the Summer Fair. It will be here before you know it!

### Holiday absences

**Gentle reminder:** Please be aware that holidays cannot be authorised except in exceptional circumstances. Families are submitting requests for time off school for long periods of time and they are risking their child's place at Adelaide. Children who are off for 20 days holiday will be removed from roll and their place allocated to children on the waiting list. This is in line with the school and Trust policy for attendance which is taken directly from Government guidelines. **We have already had to remove 2 families from roll this year because of this.**

Please do come and see me or any member of staff if you have any questions. I wish you and your families all the best for a wonderful, restful break and a happy and healthy 2024 to you all.

Mrs Bradley

### Term times

Download our term dates

- Term Dates 2023-2024
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