

A Few Words from Mr Hancox

As we are heading towards Christmas and the end of term, we look forward to all of the amazing events we have planned in the next three weeks. I have had lots of conversations with Year 6 children about their exciting adventure next week, about their worries and their excitement with overcoming new challenges and fears. I am sure everyone will have an incredible time and return to school happy, confident and brimming with new skills, as well as being tired, I imagine. Good luck Year 6 you will have an incredible time and always remember that you represent Ankermoor.

2 nd /4 th December	Year 6 Residential – Laches Wood
6 th December	Year 5/6 Forest Friday – Reception Parent Lunch Chocolate/Alcohol non uniform day (for Christmas Fair).
9 th December	Christmas Clear out (bring in old toys for the Christmas fair)
9 th December	Reception Nativity Assembly (Parents)
10 th December	Rock Steady Concert
11 th December	Carol Service
12 th December	Christmas Fair
17 th December	Interhouse Sports Competition (In PE lessons – Parents invited)
18 th December	Christmas Dinner
20 th December	Non-uniform – Christmas Clothes Day - Party menu lunch

What is happening in the next 2 weeks!

Monday 2nd December

Year 6 leave for Laches Wood 10am
Archery Club – 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Well-being Club – 3.20pm – 4.20pm

Tuesday 3rd December

KS1 Sports Club – Multi skills 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Progressive Sports / Rock Steady music
Year 6 children on residential

Wednesday 4th December

Gymnastics/Dance Club (KS1/2) – 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Rock it Music/ Woodwind tuition
Year 6 children return from residential – approx 3pm (parents will be phoned if we arrive earlier).

Friday 6th December

Year 5/6 Forest Friday, Year Reception Parent Lunch
Achievement Assembly

Monday 9th December

Archery Club – 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Well-being Club – 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Reception Nativity Assembly – 9.15am – 9.45am
3.30pm – 4pm (2 tickets per child – please book on Arbor.

Tuesday 10th December

KS1 Sports Club – Multi skills 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Progressive Sports / Rock Steady music
Rock Steady Concert – 9am

Wednesday 11th December

Gymnastics/Dance club (KS1/2) – 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Rock it Music/ Woodwind tuition
Carol Service (Information to follow)

Thursday 12th December

Christmas Fair – 3.30pm – 5pm Bole Hall Swifts

Friday 13th November

Achievement Assembly

Value Champions – ‘Raheem Respect’

29th November

Reception – Emma D

Year 1/2 – Stanley C

Year 3/4 – Orlaith H

Year 5/6 – Blake C



SEND Updates



Mrs Magill produces a SEND Newsletter each month. Please find a digital copy on the SEND page on the website –

[Ankermoor Primary Academy – SEND](#)

Copies are emailed out to parents and if you want a paper copy, please come to the school office.

SIMPLY PLAY FOR BABIES



Starting January 2025
Tamworth Hub

Scan the QR code for more information

would you like to learn more about your baby's development? Would you like to find new ways of supporting them through play? Then Simply Play might be the course for you!

We offer free courses for parents of 0-12 month olds in a stay and play format, so you can enjoy quality time with your baby alongside learning.

To register your interest, please contact:
Groupwork@staffordshire.gov.uk



FROM PRAM TO PRIMARY SCHOOL



Starting January 2025
Tamworth Family Hub

Scan the QR code for more information

Would you like to feel more confident in your parenting? Would you like to learn more about your child's behaviours and their emotional development? Then Pram to Primary might be the course for you!

We offer free 6 week courses for parents of 0-11 year olds with both face-to-face and virtual options available.

To register your interest, please contact:
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CHRISTMAS



FAIR

Thursday
12th December 2024
3.30pm - 5pm

at Bolehall Swifts Social Club,
Rene Road, Amington. B77 3NW

Meet Santa in his grotto and receive a present!

PLUS - Turkey/stuffing Rolls · Christmas Cakes · Book Lucky Dip

Chocolate Tombola

Face Painting

Christmas Crafts

Toy Tombola

Raffle

Alcohol Tombola



Recently our Nursery children have taken part in a sponsored litter pick. They collected 2 bags of litter from around our school, helping to tidy up our environment. The children asked lots of questions about what happens to the rubbish after we put it in the bin and have been choosing to learn about recycling. We are really proud of how much the children are showing care for the world they live in, and we are pleased to say they have raised a brilliant amount of money - £266! Well done Nursery, you did a brilliant job, and a very big thank you to everyone who sponsored our children.

Activities for Children during December

Funclub: Tamworth Castle Grounds – Thursdays 6.30pm – 8.00pm. Last Youth club of 2024 is Thursday 12th December. Free Entry. 10 – 15-year-olds.
www.funclub.co.uk

Tamworth Boxing Club: Monday and Wednesdays 5pm – 6pm. Last session of 2024 is Wednesday 18th December. £5 per session. 12 – 15-year-olds. Other age group sessions are available. www.tamworthboxing.com

Tennis: Beacon Park Lichfield: Sunday 2pm-3pm all ages and abilities welcome. This is a free session. www.clubspark.lta.org.uk

Lego Group: Glasgote Library - Saturdays 10am – 11am. This is free of charge and for all ages.

Children's gardening project: Fazeley, Tamworth - Saturday 10am-2pm. The community garden provides a safe and nurturing environment for kids to explore the joys of planting, nurturing, and harvesting their own vegetables. For children aged 8 –18 years. The is ongoing through to the New Year. This is free. For more information email: selfsufficientchildren@gmail.com

Jump Xtreme: Wilnecote - For children of all ages. Open daily from 10am – 6pm. www.jumpxtreme.com

Scouts: Tamworth -10–14-year-olds and Explorer Scouts 14 – 18 years. There is a cost to this, and sessions times are different according to age. For more information go to www.tamworthscouts.org.uk

The Snowdome: Tamworth Town centre – offering activities daily for all ages. There is a fee to these activities. For more information go to the website: www.snowdome.co.uk

Tamworth Boys Brigade: Tamworth Baptist Church, Belgrave. 5 – 19 years old. Every Tuesday evening between 5pm and 9pm dependant on age. £5 per session with the first session free. This is at Tamworth Baptist church in Belgrave. For more information go to www.tamworthbaptistchurch.org.uk

Tamworth Girls Brigade: Tamworth Baptist Church, Belgrave. 5 – 19 years old. Every Wednesday evening between 5pm and 9pm dependant on age. £5 per session with the first session free. This is at Tamworth Baptist church in Belgrave. For more information go to www.tamworthbaptistchurch.org.uk

Rock and Bowl – Namco Tamworth - £10.00 per person for 2 games of bowling, every Sunday evening. Monday – Thursday games are £6 per person. For more information go to www.namcotamworth.com

Parkrun – Castle grounds – Saturday morning at 9am. Free entry. All ages and abilities are welcome.

Tamworth Gymnastics club – Lichfield industrial estate – Saturday 3.15pm – 4.15pm. This is a boys session only and there is a fee for this. For more information email membership@tamworth-gymnastics.com

Tamworth Gymnastics club – Lichfield industrial estate – Tuesday – 6.30pm – 8.15pm. This is a girls session only and there is a fee for this. For more information email membership@tamworth-gymnastics.com

The Snowdome – Flume and Floats sessions – every Saturday – 12pm – 4pm. There is a fee for this. To book email: guestservices@snowdome.co.uk

The Snowdome – Indoor rock climbing – every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday – 5.40pm. There is a fee for this. To book email: guestservices@snowdome.co.uk

The Snowdome – Ice skating sessions – every Friday – 6pm – 8pm. There is a fee for this. To book email: There is a fee for this. To book email: guestservices@snowdome.co.uk

Sunday 8th December – Antler fun run – 10am at the Castle Grounds. All ages welcome, fancy dress, reindeer antlers and Santa hats are encouraged.

Saturday 14th December – Berts and Gerts Christmas market 10am – 5pm – Ankerside shopping centre.

Saturday 14th December - Gartmore riding school: 30 minute session for beginners aged 5-19 years. Riding boots and hats are supplied. Call the booking team to book/express an interest in an activity, cancel an activity or ask any questions: 0300 111 8007 (option 2, then option 3).

The Wildlife Trust Tamworth: Friday 20th December: Wild skills 10:30am – 12:30pm SEND aged 6 – 19 years + family members Dosthill Park, Blackwood Road, Dosthill, Tamworth, B77 1LJ *Available to all Staffordshire families* *Bookings close 18.12.24 at 12-noon*

The Wildlife Trust Tamworth: Saturday 21st December Wooden Reindeer Workshop 10:30am – 12:30pm SEND aged 6 – 19 years + family members Dosthill Park, Blackwood Road, Dosthill, Tamworth, B77 1LJ *Available to all Staffordshire families* *Bookings close 19.12.24 at 12-noon*

Saturday 21st December – Santa Paws - different time allocations throughout the day. Children are encouraged to take their family dog with their parents to get a gift from Santa for their pets.

Saturday 21st December - Santa's in the building! – Ankerside shopping centre 11am – 4pm. Visit Santa in his grotto, for children of all ages.

Tamworth Assembly Rooms:

Monday 23rd December – Elf movie – Tamworth Assembly rooms. Doors open at 9am, film starts at 10am. Tickets are £5 each.

Monday 23rd December – Polar Express Movie – Tamworth Assembly rooms. Doors open at 4pm, film starts at 5pm. Tickets are £5 each.

Tuesday 24th December – A Muppets Christmas Carol Movie – Tamworth Assembly rooms. Doors open at 9am, film starts at 10am. Tickets are £5 each.

Sunday 29th December – Despicable Me 4 Movie – Tamworth Assembly rooms. Doors open at 9am, film starts at 10am. Tickets are £5 each.

Sunday 29th December – Deadpool and Wolverine Movie – Tamworth Assembly rooms. Doors open at 9am, film starts at 10am. Tickets are £5 each. For 15 years and over.

Running for a limited time:

November 16th – January 5th 2025: Winter Wonderland at the Snowdome Tamworth. For children aged 3-16 years old. Includes Santas Christmas Trail, The Santa Show and Santas Christmas village.

23rd November – 23rd December: Gingerbread trail. This festive season, the Gingerbread People are exploring Tamworth, and we need your help to find them and see what they're up to! As you explore the town this Christmas, keep your eyes peeled for life-sized gingerbread figures. Can you find all 10 giant gingerbreads around Tamworth town centre. For all ages. This is free.

Winter Wonderland Drayton Manor – 23rd November – 31st December. For 3 – 16-year-olds. To book and for more information go to www.draytonmanorpark.co.uk

Attendance

Overall School
Attendance – 92.8%

Week beginning
22nd Nov

Reception – 81.4%

Year 1/2 – 92.2%

Year 3/4 – 93.8%

Year 5/6 – 96.9%

Well done to
Year 5/6!

House Points



Total this week!	112	101	53	98
Total this half term!	303	269	248	218
Total this year, so far!	1009	1007	851	918

A week in Reception with the Owls and the Robins



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