



Haughton St Giles



Dream to Achieve



Friday 20th December 2024



As we break up for Christmas, we would like to thank each and every one of you for your wonderful, continued support this year. We would all also like to send thanks for our lovely cards, gifts and Christmas wishes! As ever, these are in no way expected but so gratefully received. We hope you all have a really happy Christmas break and a fantastic start to 2025.

We look forward to seeing you all at the beginning of the new term!

School Success!

We are absolutely delighted and exceptionally proud to be able to tell you that, for the first time ever, Haughton St. Giles have been ranked within the prestigious Sunday Times - Top 1000 Primary Schools in the Country.

On the 8th December 2024, the Sunday Times released their annual 'Top 1000 Primary Schools' which represents the highest performing 6% of schools across the country, out of a possible 16,764.

Every year we are delighted with our attainment outcomes, alongside the wonderful achievements for our pupils and the continued hard work of our staff. So for us to be recognised in the Sunday Times ranking is an incredible achievement and we couldn't be more proud to receive this.

A Big Thank You

We wanted to extend our sincere thanks to Jack and Monty, their parents and Grandparents, Mr and Mrs Wilson, for their very kind gift to all of our pupils and staff of a festive chocolate treat. The children will be given these during their Christmas film this afternoon to enjoy together and we are sure will really appreciate this lovely treat.

Pre-School Donations

We have had such a wonderful response to our recent request for help with Pre-School resources. Massive thanks to all of you who have brought in such lovely toys, games and decorations to make our new Pre-School room so stimulating and inviting. We are so grateful for your help and are really looking forward to welcoming all of our new pupils in January!

Christmas Jumper Day

A huge thanks to those of you who contributed to the payment item for Save the Children on ParentPay to mark Christmas Jumper Day. So far we have raised a total of £69.00. This remains open if you have not yet contributed but wish to do so!



Collection from School

Please can we ask all those who collect children from the main playground to please stand where your child's teacher is able to see you clearly, as this is really helpful to us in dismissing the children as efficiently as possible. Alongside this, when other approved adults are collecting your child, please ask them to make it clear to your child's teacher who it is that they are there to collect, to help us with dismissal.

Belongings Reminder

We will be sending the children home with all of their belongings such as P.E kits, water bottles and lunch boxes today. Please can we ask that you check that they have everything with them as they leave school, to help avoid us being left with festering lunch boxes ready for the new year!

Christmas Fayre Success

A huge thanks to our wonderful PTFA, those who volunteered on the evening and all those who supported this years Christmas Fayre. We are sure you will all agree it was a fantastic event and has raised in the region of £1,500 which will be used to support the education of all of our pupils in a variety of ways throughout the year.

Teaching Assistant Job Opportunity

With our new Pre-School opening in January, we are excited to have a new vacancy opening up for a Teaching Assistant to work with our new and current pupils in Acorn class as well as Conker class with Miss Bowen. For more information regarding this vacancy, please see our school website on <https://www.stbartsmat.co.uk/vacancies>

After School Activities

We have had a number of queries recently relating to after school clubs, particularly sports clubs. We wanted to reassure you all that this is something we are working on but are, as yet, still searching for a suitable provider for after school activities/clubs moving forward. We will of course let you all know when we have secured a new provider and have some new opportunities available for the children.



Diary Dates

Monday 6th Jan 2025 - School closed for staff training

Wednesday 15th Jan 2025 - applications close for September 2025 admissions



Autumn 2024	Term ends: Friday 20th Dec 2024
Spring 2025	INSET day: Mon 6th Jan 2025
	Term Starts: Tues 7th Jan 2025
	Half term: Mon 17th - Fri 21st Feb 2025
	INSET day: Mon 24th Feb 2025
	Term ends: Fri 11th April 2025
Summer 2025	Term starts: Mon 28th Apr 2025
	Bank Holiday: Mon 5th May 2025
	Half term: Mon 26th May - Fri 30th May 2025
	Term ends: Fri 18th July 2025
	INSET day: Mon 21st July 2025