

Audlem St. James' C of E Primary School

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16



The Cornovii Trust



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NEWSLETTER

Thought of the week



This week

As always, the children have shone this year, and it was lovely to come together as a school community at our Christmas Service in Church, with family and friends in attendance as the children shared the Christmas story with creativity; it continues to be rewarding to see them happy, learning, flourishing through good attendance and friendships, and being supported as whole individuals.

KS1 Nativity Performance

We are incredibly proud of all our KS1 children for their wonderful Nativity performances. Every child shone brightly, showing confidence, enthusiasm and teamwork throughout. They truly embodied our school motto, "Let Your Light Shine," as they sang, spoke and performed with such joy. A huge well done to all of the children for their hard work and commitment, and a heartfelt thank you to the team who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to make the Nativity such a special experience for everyone. It was a performance to be proud of and a lovely celebration of the season.



Friends of Audlem St James PTA Christmas Update

Team PTA would like to extend a huge thank you to all the teachers, volunteers, parents, carers and children who made the smarties challenge and Christmas fair such a success! Together, we raised £460 from the smarties challenge and £1201 from the Christmas fair.

We have plans to continue to support the forest school and the gardening club and hope to have new announcements around our next big investment in the new year.

Wishing everyone a fun filled and relaxing break. Team PTA



Class Christmas Song Competition

Yesterday we held our Christmas Song Competition, with each class choosing a festive song to perform to the rest of the school. Congratulations to Ruby Class, who were the overall winners with their beautiful rendition of *Somewhere Only We Know*.

Team Winners – Rowan

Congratulations to the **Rowan Team**, who are the team winners for this term! Well done to all pupils for their hard work, teamwork and positive attitudes throughout the term.

The Rowan Team celebration party will take place on **Friday 9th January 2026**. We hope they enjoy their well-deserved reward!



School Dinner Menu

The menu when we return on Tuesday 6th January will be week 2

The menu for both weeks is available on the school website if you wish to check.

<https://www.audlemstjames.org.uk/parents/parent-information/school-dinners.html>



Attendance this week

In KS1 Pearl Class had the highest attendance with 97.5%, In KS2 Emerald Class had the best attendance with 96%

Well done to all classes. Overall the whole school attendance was 95 % which is slightly below our aim of 97%.

INSET Day Reminder - Just a reminder that when we return in the New Year, we have an INSET day on **Monday 5th January**. School will be closed to pupils on this day. Our first day back for pupils will be **Tuesday 6th January**. We look forward to welcoming everyone back then.

Exciting new Ideas for 2026

Looking ahead to the New Year, we are pleased to introduce a few exciting initiatives. We will be trialing a monthly Friday morning 'Snack Special', with options such as bacon rolls (£1) or cheese on toast (80p); further details, including dates and menus, will be shared in the New Year.

We are also planning to introduce Forest School sessions for pre-school children, giving them the opportunity to become familiar with the school and surroundings, If you know of anyone who may be interested please let them know. We will let you know more information around dates and times in the new year.

Finally

It is important that our newsletter and all other forms of communication we send out to parents and carers, give you a clear and detailed picture of our work in school, so that you are kept up to date with events in school and our community. If you have any ideas, comments or suggestions about the content of newsletters please get in touch with me.

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From everyone at Audlem St James School, we would like to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

