



Coaley Church of England Academy

Headteacher: Miss Jen Thomas

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Love each other as I have loved you (John 15:12)

Friday 12th December 2025

Dear Parent/Carers,

As we draw this busy but exciting term to a close, I want to begin by thanking our entire school community for your continued support. It has been a term full of learning, creativity, and resilience, and we couldn't have achieved so much without your partnership.

Next Thursday, we will celebrate our Christmas dinner in the hall, and all children are warmly invited to wear a festive Christmas jumper for the occasion—it's always a highlight of the term! Not forgetting our Christmas Carol service also which has an extra special twist this year- we look forward to welcoming you at 2pm and 5pm next week!

A special mention goes to Lochlan and Charlotte, who recently performed beautifully on their violins at Uley Church. Their talent and confidence were commented on by many. We also want to congratulate all the children who took part in the recent cross-country event. Their perseverance was truly inspiring, especially given the cold and wet conditions—they were fantastic!

Looking ahead, I want to share some staffing news with you all. Later in the year, Mrs McClung will be reducing her working pattern from five days to three days a week to spend more quality time with her family. In the new year, we will begin the recruitment process for a part-time teacher to join Robins Class. Please be assured that we will keep you fully informed throughout the recruitment process, and we will continue to not settle for anything less than the very best teaching staff for our children.

Finally, I wish everyone a restful and special Christmas with loved ones. For those who find this time of year difficult, please do reach out to us over the next week—we can share support networks and ensure no one feels alone at this time.

Best wishes,

Miss Thomas



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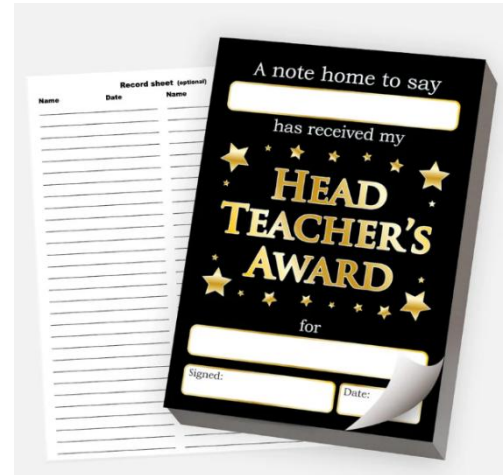
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★ Autumn 2 Headteacher Award ★

Robins: Eloise

Starlings: Jacobi

Owls: Megan

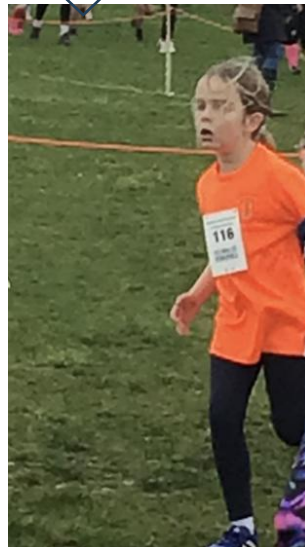


Its hard if you start fast, if you go slow it feels really goo to overtake peopl in the second lap.
Finn

I was excited it was hard and I think I over did it on the first lap.
Eloise

It was wet and rainy, I tried my best and it was really muddy.
Evalyne

I felt quite nervous before I played 'Hurry to Bethlehem' but when we were setting up for the song, I felt much braver. As I played 'Bethlehem Lay Sleeping', I imagined no one was watching!
Lochlan



I was a bit nervous, but, I enjoyed it.
Charlotte



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Christmas Jumper

All children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper (instead of their school jumper/ cardigan) on Thursday 18th December if they would like to remain the same. This is not a non-school uniform day and therefore children should wear their usual uniform under their jumper.



We want to remind all our families that we are always here to support not only your children but you as parents too. We understand that life can sometimes feel busy, chaotic, and challenging, and it's important to know that you are never alone.

If you ever need to talk—whether about your child or something affecting your family—please remember that our staff are always available for a confidential conversation. If we can't provide the help you need within school, we will do our best to signpost you to the right support.

We all face challenges from time to time, and reaching out is a sign of strength. Our door is always open.

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Dates for the Diary

Autumn 2

12.11.25- FOCS Coaley Disco in Coaley Village Hall (5-6 Robins, 6-8 Starlings & Owls)

17.12.25 (2.00pm & 5.00pm)- Christmas Carol Service in Church

18.12.25- Christmas Dinner day (children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper)

19.12.25, 1.30pm- End of Term 2 (NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUB ON THIS DAY)

Spring 1

5.1.26- INSET

6.1.26- Term 3 begins

9.2.26, 3.30-5.30- Parents' Evening

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13.2.26- End of Term 3

Robins EYFS children were really excited because they received a free book from Dursley Library through the Book Start programme, which is part of the Book Trust.

Book Start is a programme that provides books to encourage and support family reading for young children at different stages as part of their early years reading journey. They know that reading together early in life helps nurture a love of books, stories and rhymes which gives access to the life-changing benefits of reading.

If you want to find out some book recommendations, activities or further resources to support your child in their reading journey, please take a look at the Book Trust website www.booktrust.org.uk

Thank you to Mrs McClung for reaching out to them and collecting this very generous donation. The children were delighted to receive this special gift! We hope you enjoy reading them with your child.





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Leaf Certificate

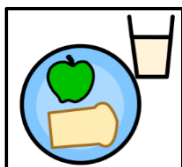


Values Certificate



Robins	Ruben	Freddie B
Starlings	Daisy	Mo
Owls	Charlotte	Ronnie

Lunchtime Certificate



Harry W



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FOCS
Friends of Coaley School

Christmas DISCO

At: Coaley Village Hall

**Friday
12th
Dec**

**5 - 6pm:
Playgroup/Robins**

**6 - 8pm:
Starlings/Owls**

£2 entry on the door
(max £5 per family)

HOT DOGS £2

**Pre-booking
essential for
hotdogs:
(by 10th December)**

**COLD & HOT DRINKS, POPCORN,
CAKES & SWEETS ALSO FOR SALE**

**ADULTS ARE WELCOME TO BRING THEIR
OWN ALCOHOLIC DRINKS**