



CHRISTMAS 2024 SPECIAL EDITION



Here is the final Academy News for 2024; however, our next Academy Update will return early 2025.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,



It has certainly been a very busy time for all of us at Lacey Green this term. It seems like it was only yesterday when we welcomed our new Reception children. During those first days and weeks of term, there was a lot for them to take in and learn. Fast forward to December and it fills the team with great pride to see them full of confidence and part of our Lacey Green family.

Once again, the jam-packed Lacey Green calendar of Christingles, nativities, concerts and church services, has well and truly delivered. We're sure you'll agree that we've been treated to astonishing Christmas shows this year. Thank you to everyone who has supported these special events. The singing, acting and dancing has been of such a high standard across all performances and shows. The progress the children make from the first rehearsal to the final performance is amazing and all the children should feel extremely proud of the performances they took part in. The feedback we have received this year has once again been ever so kind and generous. Thank you to all our parents and carers for your support in attending the performances, kitting the children out with fabulous costumes and for helping your child/ren to rehearse their lines, we really appreciate it. Money raised from ticket sales has been donated to our chosen charities. **This year we have raised over £2300 - AMAZING.**

In amongst the performances, our school choir have been touring the Wilmslow area, and beyond, spreading Christmas joy with their beautiful singing. Starting with the Wilmslow Christmas Lights Switch On back in November, they have since visited Wilmslow Library, Wilmslow Garden Centre and Waitrose in addition to many local care homes. We'd like to thank the parents involved in ferrying our choristers about, without which we wouldn't be able to offer these opportunities to the children.

This has been an extremely successful term for the school, and I would like us to reflect on, and appreciate, the commitment of our children, staff and parents/carers in creating such a wonderful environment. Thank you so much for your overwhelming support and here's to an even better future ahead! I would like to end by wishing the whole Lacey Green community a very Merry Christmas and I look forward to welcoming staff and children back in the New Year.

I hope you all have a safe, happy and restful Christmas break,

Mr Shaw

Principal





CHRISTMAS CONCERTS / PERFORMANCES 2024



Infant Christingle 2024



EYFS Nativity 2024



KS1 Nativity 2024



Y3/4 Christmas Concert 2024



Y5 Carol Service 2024



CHRISTMAS CHOIR TOUR 2024

We would like to say a massive well done to the junior choir and their fantastic performances during their recent Christmas Tour. The choir members have wowed the audience with their many performances of Christmassy songs and carols. The school has received a number of compliments regarding their performance at these events. We would like to thank the children, parents and members of staff who have given up their own time to rehearse, organise and attend these incredibly worthwhile community events. Well done to all!



Brown's Restaurant



Waitrose



Wilmslow Library



Hazelhurst House Care Home



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY/REINDEER DASH SPONSORED EVENT



Reception, Infant and Junior pupils all took part in a Reindeer Dash event during early December to raise money for East Cheshire Hospice. All the children, wearing reindeer antlers, had fun and thoroughly enjoyed the physical challenges set up by our Sports Leaders and School Parliament members. Thank you to all parents, family members and friends who supported this very worthwhile cause. We will find out the amount raised in the New Year.

PTA CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING

We would like to thank the members of the PTA Committee and parent volunteers who have spent a considerable number of weeks enabling the school to deliver its highly successful Christmas Market and who also supported each Christmas performance and concert. We hope that parents and family members enjoyed having the opportunity to purchase refreshments before each performance and we thank those PTA members/volunteers for giving up their own time to raise valuable funds for the school.

Despite an increasingly low-level of volunteers, the PTA this term have worked tirelessly for the sake of all our children and we'd like to express our immense gratitude to all who have helped to make these events a success. For those that aren't aware, the PTA was very close to folding this year due to such low levels of support from parents. If you are able to donate your time to the PTA going forwards, please get in contact: pta@laceygreen.cheshire.sch.uk.

IMPORTANT!! SPRING TERM 2025 RE-OPENING

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School **re-opens** to pupils on **TUESDAY, 7th JANUARY 2025 at 8.35am**

(Please note: Monday 6th January – School is CLOSED due to Staff Training/INSET Day)

DFE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE IN ENGLAND



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The DFE League Tables have been published and posted on Class Dojo in recent weeks. They can be found at: [Lacey Green Primary Academy - Compare school and college performance data in England - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/primary-school-league-tables)

Parents will find that the school has once again excelled this year in the test results at the end of KS2 and the school ranks very highly in the league tables both locally and nationally. Naturally, we are very proud of this outcome but parents will also know that we are proud of all our children's efforts as we always endeavour to ensure that all children fulfil their potential at whatever standard they have reached. Whilst attaining great results again this year, we also recognise the importance of providing a well balanced curriculum including a range of after-school extra-curricular clubs. Combined, these ensure that children are happy at school, enjoy their lessons and achieve success at school. We would like to thank all of our staff (teaching and non-teaching) for their commitment and skill in the excellent teaching and learning opportunities they provide day after day at Lacey Green.

YEAR 6 STATUTORY TESTS 2025

Year 6 SATS 2025: The dates for the Statutory Test for Year 6 children are confirmed and will take place during the week beginning – **Monday, 12th May 2025**. Children absent from the tests will not be able to retake at a different time. Please





avoid any absences during this week.

RECEPTION NEW STARTERS 2025 – APPLICATIONS

REMINDER: Applying for a Reception Place for September 2025. Parents of children **with older siblings already at school DO need to apply** for a Reception place in September 2025. For further details, please click on the following web link:
<https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/admissions/apply-for-september-2025-school-place.aspx>

Deadline for applications: 15th January 2025

GENERAL REMINDERS & USEFUL INFORMATION

Parents can follow us on **Class Dojo** as we post reminders, useful information, celebrations, and updates from school and other community events of interest.

DIARY DATES		
Date	Event	Who for
Friday 20 th December 2024	SCHOOL CLOSSES EARLY for CHRISTMAS at 1.15pm	All parents/carers
Monday 6 th January 2025	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET/TRAINING DAY	All parents/carers
TUESDAY 7 th January 2025	SCHOOL REOPENS TO PUPILS FOR SPRING TERM 2025	All parents/carers
Friday 17 th January 2025	Year 5 Swimming starts	Y5 parents/carers
Wednesday 5 th February 2025	Reception Trip – Etihad Stadium	EYFS parents/carers
Wednesday 12 th February 2025	Year 2 Petty Pool Parents’ Meeting	Y2 parents/carers
Friday 14th February 2025	School Closes for Half Term Holiday	All parents/carers
Monday 24th February 2025	School RE-OPENS at 8.35am for SPRING 2	All parents/carers
Weds 26 th February – Friday 28 th February	Year 2 Petty Pool Residential (Classes 2C & 2R – Two days)	Y2 parents/carers

All events dates can be found on Class Dojo.

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Don't forget that we finish at 1:15pm on Friday, 20th December and we return to school on Tuesday, 7th January 2025.

