

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support with our recent charitable events. Children in Need raised £81.30 and 'Wear Blue for a Loo' raised our target of £60. This really helps us embed our key school message of, 'Love your neighbour.'

The newsletter this week has a focus on attendance, including lateness. We have recently revised our attendance policy following some work with Bury Local Authority and our revised policy can be found in full on our website.

**Have a lovely weekend**  
Mrs Whittaker

### Christmas Fair

As Christmas is fast approaching, Friends are making preparations for our Christmas Fair which will be held on Friday 13th December after school. In order to support this event, we are holding two non-uniform days and asking for donations as follows:

- Friday 29th Dec —Tombola and Teddy donations
- Fri 6th Dec —Donations for the chocolate stall

### Polite Reminder—Lateness

The school day starts at **8.50am** and we expect your child to be on the school yard. If your child misses the start of the day they can miss work and do not spend time with their class teacher getting vital information and news for the day.

Registers are marked by **9.05am** and your child will receive a late mark if they are not in by that time.

## Newsletter

### Friday 22nd November

Website: <https://www.summerseatmethodistprimary.co.uk/>  
Twitter: [https://twitter.com/Summerseat\\_mps](https://twitter.com/Summerseat_mps)



### Award Winners

#### *Who has been shining this week at Summerseat?*

**Love Thy Neighbour Award**  
*Isabella*

<b>Class One</b>	Golden Award— Rory
<b>Class Two</b>	Golden Award— Faye & Amelie H
<b>Class Three</b>	Golden Award— Martha & Georgia
<b>Class Four</b>	Golden Award— Sophie & Lauren Values Award - Lily

### Dates for your Diary

<b>Fri 29th Nov</b>	Non-uniform day—Tombola & Teddy Donations
<b>Mon 2nd Dec</b>	Tree Decorating Service (Children Only)
<b>Tues 3rd Dec</b>	Parent Evening—all classes (Letter sent home this week)
<b>Thurs 5th Dec</b>	Christmas Film Night (Friends Event) Letter went out earlier this week
<b>Fri 6th Dec</b>	Non-uniform day—Chocolate Donations

## Attendance

This is a successful school and your child plays their part in making it so. For our children to gain the greatest benefit from their education it is vital that they attend regularly and your child should be at school, on time, every day the school is open unless the reason for the absence is unavoidable. We do understand that there can be times when your child is too unwell to attend or other exceptional circumstances.

### **If your child is absent you must:**

- Contact us by 9:30am on the first day of absence;
- Or, you can call into school and report to the office

### **Holidays in term time:**

Taking holidays in term time will affect your child's schooling as much as any other absence and we expect parents to help us by not taking children away in school time.

**Remember that any savings you think you may make by taking a holiday in school time are offset by the cost to your child's education.**

**All applications for leave must be made in advance via the pupil leave of absence request form** which is available via the parent information display outside the school office and on the website. **At the discretion of the school**, a maximum of 10 sessions (5 days) in any academic year **may be authorised but only in 'special circumstances'**. In making a decision the school will consider the circumstances of each application individually, including any previous pattern of leave in term time. The Head Teacher will inform you of their decision via the response slip on the pupil leave of absence request form.