



Next week @ Ark Swift

There are no after school clubs next week

Tuesday 17th December **10:00** EYFS (Nursery and Reception) Christmas show to Parents

14:00 KS1 and KS2 Christmas show to Parents

Wednesday 18th December Christmas Lunch

Thursday 19th December

13:30 School closes for the Christmas Holiday

*Please note the time! All children need to be collected at **1.30pm***



Next Thursday, in our end of term assembly, we will announce the **house points** as well as carry out a special prize draw for **attendance** for the Autumn Term.

The Spring Term starts on [Tuesday 7th January 2020](#)



Last Friday, we held our Christmas Fair – a first for Ark Swift, I think? Thank you to all those who worked so hard to get everything ready, and those who helped make the afternoon a perfect kick-off to the festive season. A special mention to Reena for making the event happen as well as to all those of you who turned up on the day to help; got donations from local businesses and spent money and had a fun time!

We raised the grand total of **£359.78**. The money will go towards a new set of pupil laptops which are arriving early in the spring term. These events are about more than raising money and it was heart-warming to see so many members of our school community supporting the school. Thank you.

Poppy Appeal

More generosity to report: Ark Swift raised **£115.85** for the 2019 Poppy Appeal. Without your generous support, The Royal British Legion would be unable to continue their vital welfare and benevolent work.



Attendance

Attendance statistics for **Friday 29th November – Thursday 12th December**

| Class | Attendance |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Nursery | 93% |
| Year R Bath | 92.2% |
| Year 1 Bristol | 97.2% - above target, well done! |
| Year 2 Manchester | 93.2% |
| Year 3 Exeter | 97.8% - above target – well done! |
| Year 4 Sheffield | 95.8% - almost on target! |
| Year 5 Warwick | 96% |
| Year 5 Worcester | 94.4% |
| Year 6 Durham | 95% |
| Year 6 Loughborough | 97.1% - above target – well done! |

Overall school attendance for the academic year to date: **95.8%**

We're -0.2% below our target of 96%. Attendance is climbing again after a great deal of sickness. Hopefully, after the Christmas holiday we'll be back on track and through the 96% barrier! Let's aim high...

Ed City



Why are there no works taking place behind the hoarding line?

This is a question I get asked regularly. Once the General Election was called, we entered Purdah. During this time, local government are prevented from making any announcements about any new initiatives. This has obviously affected the announcement of the start of Ed City works. I'll keep you posted but wanted to let you know why things have stalled. We are **ALL** eagerly awaiting the start of the major works...