



22nd December 2025

Message from Mrs Reid



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thankyou for all of your support for your children and their learning at Coads Green this Autumn Term. So much has been achieved, and we can see that children are all making good progress in their attainment and learning.

It's also been a very busy term, with many and varied activities and events, culminating in the performance of "Born in a Barn" at the Chapel in the Christmas run-up, along with the KS1 visit to the Theatre Royal to see "Father Christmas", PTFA Film evening, parties and craft afternoons, and, of course, the wonderful Christmas lunch courtesy of Caroline.

Many thanks to the PTFA for their hard work in raising funds for the children at Coads Green, which includes funding the theatre play and pantomime visits. They've provided some memorable events, with the Halloween Disco, Band Night and Christmas Film evening.

Please see the 'Healthy Snacks' section further on for news about Coads Green bringing in only non-UPF, fruit/vegetable snacks and no processed foods for the new year.

We have a wonderful and very supportive Governing Body at Coads Green. If you are interested in joining the team and becoming a school Governor, then please contact any of the Governors or Mrs Reid for further information. We can put you in touch with the Clerk to the Governors, Ann Cullum, who can then provide you with further details. No specific skills or qualifications are needed, and any training and information will be given to anyone interested.

I'd like to wish all our families a merry Christmas, and all the very best for the new year to come.

Best wishes,

Mrs Reid









Born in a Barn Nativity play

What a great way to get in the Christmas spirit before the end of term with the EYFS and KS1-led nativity performance of "Born in a Barn"! We had wonderful feedback from parents, family members and those from the wider community who took part.

The play told the story of the birth of Jesus from the vantage point of animals gathered in the stable. All pupils took part in the exceptional performance, and impressed, not only in their learning of many new songs, but also in the quality of singing.

Many thanks to parents and carers for supporting with costumes, props and line-learning, and much gratitude to the PTFA for providing refreshments and mince pies for the gathered audience.

Also, thanks go to Mrs Marriott (one of our Governors) for especially coming in to make use of her exceptional face-painting skills, alongside Mrs Povey and Mrs Rossiter, and to Mrs Abbott, Mrs Cruise and Mrs Alford for costumes and staging. And we are always grateful to the Chapel for their support and the use of the building and space.

Above all, huge congratulations to the children for their brave, accomplished and wonderful performances.







World Wildlife Conservation Day



As part of our World Wildlife Conservation Day, Classes 2 & 3 took part in the world's largest lesson, joining 8000 children across the world in learning about Wild Futures for Storytelling.

Many thanks to Mrs Cruise for organising and leading this fascinating event.





Cross Country



A small team of cross country runners made us all proud at Duchy College for the inter-school cross-country event a few weeks ago.

There are more dates to come (see further on), and if your KS2 child(ren) would like to take part, then they are very welcome as we are not limited for numbers. We are very grateful for parent support in transporting pupils as transport costs prohibit our ability to organise this for such a short distance.

We will talk to children about taking part over the next couple of weeks. The pupils who took part found it challenging, but are glad they did it. Very well done to Sophie, Owen and Rory.





Safeguarding



NSPCC

EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

Safeguarding is part of our fabric at Coads Green, and all members of staff are trained in Safeguarding, and in the most up to date guidance. Children's welfare is our top priority, and we share ways we can support pupils regularly in assemblies and in class time. Pupils know that, if they have any concerns, they can talk to trusted adults at home, and all members of staff at School.

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Reid, with staff able to pass concerns on and discuss any questions with me at any time.

LEARN ALL ABOUT PANTS WITH PANTOSAURUS!

PRIVATES ARE PRIVATE

Your underwear covers up your private parts and no one should ask to see or touch them. Sometimes a doctor, nurse or family members might have to. But they should always explain why, and ask you if it's OK first. Remember, what's in your pants belongs only to you.

ALWAYS REMEMBER YOUR BODY BELONGS TO YOU

Your body is yours, and no one should touch your private parts or any other parts of your body that you don't want to be touched. No one has the right to make you do anything that makes you feel uncomfortable. If somebody does make you do something, it's never your fault. Even if the person who has made you feel uncomfortable has told you it is your fault.

NO MEANS NO

You always have the right to say 'no' – even to a family member or someone you love. You're in control of your body and the most important thing is how YOU feel. If you want to say 'No', it's your choice.

SPEAK UP, SOMEONE CAN HELP

Talk about stuff that makes you worried or upset. If you ever feel sad, anxious or frightened you should talk to a safe adult who you trust.

This doesn't have to be a family member. It can also be a teacher or a friend's parent – or even Childline. Talking shouldn't get you into trouble, even if somebody has told you it will. If something has happened that makes you feel uncomfortable, it is never your fault.

TALK ABOUT SECRETS THAT UPSET YOU

There are good and bad secrets. Good secrets can be things like surprise parties or presents for other people. Bad secrets make you feel sad, worried or frightened. You should always talk to a safe adult who you trust about a bad secret or anything that doesn't feel right.

You can also talk to Childline. Call **0800 1111** or contact them online at Childline.org.uk. Someone will always be there to listen.

Coads Green PTFA



Raymond Briggs' Father Christmas

23 Dec–28 Dec 2025

📍 The Drum



Dick Whittington

23 Dec–10 Jan 2026

📍 The Lyric

Many thanks to the PTFA for the **Christmas film evening** in the last weeks of the term, which was very well-attended.

Please do come and get involved, whether it's at events or in joining other parents at meetings to support planning. It really is your PTFA, and there is no pressure to undertake any jobs you are not able to.

If you'd like to learn more, please speak to Mrs Ledwith in the Office, or to Mrs Reid, or any of the parents in the playground. The next PTFA meeting is due soon, and you will be notified of its time and date.

Pulse Youth Bus



We hope your children enjoyed the visit of the Pulse Bus. Although the responsibility for the Pulse Bus is entirely separate to Coads Green School, we hope it provided something a little different for your KS2 children.

It is due to return before Easter, when it will be open to Class 3 children.

Wild Tribe



Our thriving Wild Tribe Club after school on Mondays has been a wonderful chance for children to learn outdoor skills with experts, and follows on very well from the afternoon sessions that KS2 children are taking part in.

We've really enjoyed the visits by Olly to enhance outdoor learning with KS2 pupils. After Christmas, Olly will begin with 3 weeks of Wild Tribe for Class 1, so please could Class 1 pupils have Wild Tribe kits ready to change into on the first 3 Mondays of term.

In the Spring Term, Classes 1 and 2 will take their turns to visit the Sustainability Centre at Lewtrenchard on Fridays: 30th Jan, and 6th and 13th February.







Dates for your diary



Monday, 5th January, 2026 - Non-pupil Day

Tuesday, 6th January - All pupils return to school, first day of Spring Term

Monday, 12th Jan., 19th Jan. and 26th Jan - Class 1 Wild Tribe at School

Tuesday, 13th January - Clubs begin

Wednesday, 14th Jan. - Reception and Y6 Height and Weight measures

Friday, 30th Jan. Cross Country & Wild Tribe for EYFS, KS1 & Y3

Wednesday, 4th February - Sportshall Athletics, Saltash Community School

Friday, 6th Feb.. Wild Tribe for EYFS, KS1 & Y3

Tuesday, 10th Feb. - Safer Internet Day

Friday, 13th Feb. - Wild Tribe for EYFS, KS1 & Y3

16th - 20th Feb - Half-term

Friday, 27th Feb. -Cross Country

Friday, 30th March. -Cross Country

Thursday, 2nd April - End of Term

Clubs



Clubs will begin again on **Monday, 12th January**

Tuesdays 3:15 - 4pm: Art Club

Thursday 3:15-4pm: Culture Club





Healthy Snacks



As part of our PSHE and Science learning at Coads Green, as well as through Assemblies, we learn about what sort of diet supports good health, also helping to prevent illnesses and health problems. Naturally, this leads us to reflect on what sorts of choices children could be encouraged to make as they grow older and increase in independence.

From the new year and at the start of the Spring Term, children will **only** be allowed to have healthy snacks of a piece of **fruit or vegetables** for their morning snack. KS1 and EYFS and Nursery have fruit available to them at school as part of the funded scheme, but they are also welcome to bring in an additional or preferred piece of fruit or veg, if they wish to. KS2 children will need to bring in a healthy snack of fruit or veg, if they wish to have a snack at breaktime.



Community and Local News

Monday mornings sees Sing and Play for toddlers and pre-schoolers at Coad's Green Village Hall. Please do go along and join this vibrant and active group.



Contact



Please 'phone the School on 01566 782303, or email the Office: coadsgreen@andaras.org

Thankyou for supporting our seamless start to the School Day by entering via the Main Door.
Doors open at 8:30am.

A member of staff will attend the entrance until 8:45am, when the School Day starts. If you have any messages, please do pass them on to the member of staff on duty, or contact the Office (as above) at any time.

The register is taken at 8:45am. Please contact the Office if you will arrive later than this, and by 8:45am if your child is to be absent that day.