



Bishop Aldhelm's C.E. Primary School

Loved by God; United in Learning

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*Love, Unity,
Courage
and Inspiration*

Dates - 2023/24

Thursday 14th December
Christmas Parties in Year
Groups

Friday 15th December
Last Day of Term

2023/24 Term Dates

Spring Term

**2nd January 2024—28th March
2024**

Half Term

**12 February 2024 to 16 February
2024**

Summer Term

15th April 2024—23rd July 2024

Half Term

29 May 2024 to 2 June 2024

Our Reflection - 13th December 2023

This week in worship we have focused on community and the joy and peace that this brings.

"Encourage one another and build each other up." **1 Thessalonians 5:11**

May we all feel the comfort of community, this Christmas and always.

SIAMS Inspection Report

Last month SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools), report from the Church of England recognised that the school continues living up to its foundation as a Church school. The report highlights parents and carers speaking positively with regards to the impact of support they have, with one parent reporting *'our lives have been transformed'*.

In addition it is recognised that the curriculum is shaped by the vision, it has been designed to provide *'guidance, wisdom and support for learning and life'*. Pupils experience enriching and life enhancing opportunities to become confident, resourceful and resilient members of society.

The report shines with positivity further recognising how the school is creating a strong and united school community, with pupils being nurtured to look beyond themselves and to support others. They are given numerous opportunities to develop leadership skills and deepen their understanding of justice and responsibility through a variety of different roles.

Significant strengths were recognised in:

- Psalm 23 underpins the school's Christian vision and inspires school leaders to create a welcoming, inclusive, and nurturing environment. As a result, they place a high priority upon the wellbeing and mental health of pupils and staff, enabling them to thrive.
- The school's vision has shaped the exciting and creative curriculum which includes a rich extra-curricular offer. Leaders provide pupils with 'everything they need' to develop. The school is well supported by the trust.
- The associated school values of love, unity, courage and inspiration enable the vision to be lived out practically. These values are used to inspire and equip pupils to embrace the numerous leadership responsibilities they are given. This empowers them to make positive changes within their school.
- The school community enjoys a strong partnership with St Aldhelm's Church. The clergy provide a visible presence within the school, assisting the spiritual flourishing of both pupils and staff.
- Religious education (RE) is given high priority within the school and is effectively supported by school leaders. Clear monitoring and assessment procedures keep leaders well informed of pupil progress and helps identify where further support for pupils is needed.

The report really does shine what Bishop Aldhelm's is about and it is a report that we should all be very proud of!

Knowledge Organisers

For Years 1-6 Knowledge Organisers for next half term are on our website. <https://www.bishopaldhelms.poole.sch.uk/classescurriculum/>. These have the key knowledge and vocabulary that we want children to know and remember by the end of the topic. Going through these with your child prior to and during the topic can help them to become familiar with the knowledge making it easier for them to learn and remember more.



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