### VAHEGURU JI KA KHALSA VAHEGURU JI KE FATEH



#### Hukamnama Sahib

A message for us all to reflect upon, given this morning from the Siri Guru Granth Sahib Ji (Sikh Holy Scriptures) from the holiest of Sikh sites Sri Darbar Sahib Amritsar, Panjab, India (Golden Temple).



SEVAK SEAV KARAHAE SABH THAEREE

"O LORD. ALL THINE SERVANTS, WHO RELISH THE NAME. PERFORM THY SERVICE. HE, WHO EFFACES HIS SELF-CONCEIT FROM WITHIN HIMSELF, BECOMES PURE BY GURU'S GRACE."

SRI GURU GRANTH SAHIB JI - ANG 599

#### ਧਨਾਸਰੀ ਭਗਤ ਰਵਿਦਾਸ ਜੀ ਕੀ

Dhanaasaree, Devotee Ravi Daas Jee:

ੴਸਤਿਗੁਰ ਪ੍ਰਸਾਦਿ ॥

One Universal Creator God. By The Grace Of The True Guru:

ਹਮ ਸਰਿ ਦੀਨੂ ਦਇਆਲੂ ਨ ਤੁਮ ਸਰਿ ਅਬ ਪਤੀਆਰੂ ਕਿਆ ਕੀਜੈ ॥

There is none as forlorn as I am, and none as Compassionate as You; what need is there to test us now?

ਬਚਨੀ ਤੋਰ ਮੋਰ ਮਨੁ ਮਾਨੇ ਜਨ ਕਉ ਪੂਰਨੁ ਦੀਜੈ ॥੧॥

May my mind surrender to Your Word; please, bless Your humble servant with this perfection. ||1||

ਹਉ ਬਲਿ ਬਲਿ ਜਾਉ ਰਮਈਆ ਕਾਰਨੇ॥

I am a sacrifice, a sacrifice to the Lord.

ਕਾਰਨ ਕਵਨ ਅਬੋਲ ॥ ਰਹਾਉ ॥

O Lord, why are You silent? ||Pause||

ਬਹੁਤ ਜਨਮ ਬਿਛੁਰੇ ਥੇ ਮਾਧਉ ਇਹ ਜਨਮੂ ਤੁਮਾਰੇ ਲੇਖੇ ॥

For so many incarnations, I have been separated from You, Lord; I dedicate this life to You.

ਕਹਿ ਰਵਿਦਾਸ ਆਸ ਲਗਿ ਜੀਵੳ ਚਿਰ ਭਇਓ ਦਰਸਨ ਦੇਖੇ ॥੨॥੧॥

Says Ravi Daas: placing my hopes in You, I live; it is so long since I have gazed upon the Blessed Vision of Your Darshan. ||2||1||

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**NEWSLETTER NO: 13** 

20TH DECEMBER 2024



Principal's Message

Mrs. S. Sanghera Vaheguru Ji Ka Khalsa, Vaheguru Ji Ke Fateh

It has been a tremendous term and a fantastic end to 2024.

From the wonderful celebrations of the 555th Gurpurab of Guru Nanak Dev Ji, charity collections for Langar Aid and the Wahegru Foundation, B&K updates on the MIRI Building, Year 7 trip to the Black Country Museum, a visit by JLR as part of our Careers development programme, the First Nativity performed by our wonderful Reception class, the Rock Steady Concert, our exceptional SATs and GCSE outcomes that have seen us go from strength to strength, and the eagerly anticipated work of the Parent Project SEVA 10, I hope we can certainly agree it has been an incredibly purposeful and driven term with lots more to come in the Spring term, 2025.

As the world celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ and remembers the sacrifices of Guru Gobind Singh Ji, we feel the presence of faith and its power to reinforce the virtues of kindness, courage, honesty, tolerance, respect and responsibility. Virtues we hold dear at Seva and promote in our children for the good of all and for generations to come.

From us all at Seva School and Sevak Education Trust, we wish you all a very peaceful festive holiday ahead with your family and friends.

Thank you.





#### PARENT NOTICES

The Virtue of this half-term is:

COURAGE

#### Friday 20th December

Whole school Christmas Jumper Day.
Primary toy day.

#### Friday 20th December

Last Day of Term - Primary pupils finish at 12pm and Secondary pupils finish at 12:15pm

Monday 6th January
Teacher Training Day

<u>Tuesday 7th January</u>
First Day of Term - School starts at 08:30am for all pupils





Sevaks of the half term - Courage			
	Gurjazz	RS Mrs Bosworth	For having the courage to step up and say all the narrators lines for the Nativity. He was an absolute star!
	Runjordh	1S Mrs M Kaur & Mrs Thethy	For always making the right choices and being a role model to the rest of the class.
	Navreet	2S Mr Rahel	For showing courage this term.
	Parveer	3S Mrs Verdi & Mrs Featherstone	For showing the courage to do the right things and bravely dealing with daily challenges.
	Gursewak	3A Mrs Ghedia	For showing courage by taking risks and stretching himself further, even when he finds it challenging.
	Japneet	4S Mrs Armstrong	For showing courage on joining a new class and school and settling in so well.





Sevaks of the half term - Courage			
	Sukhman	5S Mrs Bhullar	She always tries hard and shows courage whenever completing her work no matter how challenging it it is for her.
SEVA SCHOOL	Aishleen	5A Mrs Kaur	For showing the courage to complete tasks independently and with growing confidence.
	Amrit	6S Mr Singh	For consistently displaying all of the Seva virtues.
	Hilda	6A Mrs Satsangi & Mrs Hall	She stands up for others and has the courage to do what is right when she knows others are upset.
	Dhyan	7S Mrs Ndongala & Mrs Thandi	Dhyan is kind, compassionate and always polite to everyone. He is very helpful at all times
	Shreya	7E Mrs Sharma	For demonstrating exceptional dedication and helpfulness throughout the term.





Sevaks of the half term - Courage			
	Jaiveer	7V Mrs Grewal	For being courageous and volunteering to read his form captain speech first.
	Hartaran	7A Mrs Akhtar	For showing courage in looking after other pupils in class.
	Patrisia	8S Mr Bourne	For always showing the Seva Virtues.
SEVA SCHOOL	Emily	8E Mr Chahal	For showing courage and kindness.
	Simran	8V Miss Piron	For her courage to be herself, in the most positive way, and make a difference in her form class.
	Sehaj	8A Mrs Tomlinson & Mr Anyormi	For showing courage and the virtues this term.







Sevaks of the half term - Courage			
	Harsukh	9S Mr Hobson	An honest and respectable member of the form who behaves responsibly at all times and in all lessons.
***	Tann	9E Mrs Bangar	For demonstrating courage in stepping up as the form captain and embracing the responsibilities associated with this role.
	Simran	9V Mrs Farooq	For displaying the Seva Virtues this term.
	Michelle	10S Mr Manan	For having the courage to speak up and make lots of improvements.
	Stephan	10E Ms Gabriel	For resilience, perseverance and having the courage to apply for a form role.
SEVA SCHOOL	Pirummjot	10V Mrs Daler & Mr Eastwood	For being courageous in all of her endeavours on starting at the school.





Sevaks of the half term - Courage			
	Anne	10A Mrs Gill	For having the courage to apply for numerous student leadership roles and delivering a phenomenal speech to her form.
	Kariss	11S Mrs Dhadwal	For showing courage this term by seeking support when learning new and difficult topics in maths.
	Tharisana	11E Mrs M Hussain	For working hard and moving to top set Maths.
	Kadhija	11V Mr Patria	For showing courage and discipline in applying herself to improving her knowledge and understanding across a range of subjects that she is currently studying.





### **SECONDARY NEWS**



Year 7 Trip to Black Country Living Museum.

Pupils thoroughly enjoyed their time at Black Country Living Museum last week and learnt so many facts and new information.

- Schools and Education: 'Silence was golden' in schools. Paper was expensive so younger children in lower Primary would write in sand and as they got older, they would write on slate. Only the 'bright sparks' were teachers, and teaching was a very well-respected profession.
- The Black Country: In 1860, Dickens visited the Black Country and 'saw nothing green' it was full of coal!
- Life Expectancy: 1 of 3 people were in poverty, had no food and had caught diseases such as Diphtheria or Cholera. The average of death was 16 years and 7 months and 2 out of 3 babies died before the age of one.
- Housing: Many people lived in small houses and slept 'top and tail' with two to three people in one small bed. They used a 'guzunder' to go to the toilet at night, then put it under the bed; the youngest child would then empty it and the 'night soil man' would then 'bucket and chucket'. 'Back-to-back houses' were common, and they included one room upstairs and one room downstairs.
- Hardships: Life for men was hard but for women, it was incredibly harder due to having little rights and losing everything if their husbands died which meant they were driven to desperate measures to survive.
- Games/social: Pubs were a place for social interaction and many games such as 'head butt the rat' were played there.

  Some employers would not pay their employees money and instead, would provide them with tokens to use at the pub.
- · And so much more.

Below are some photos from the day.

Mrs Gill















# **SECONDARY NEWS**





























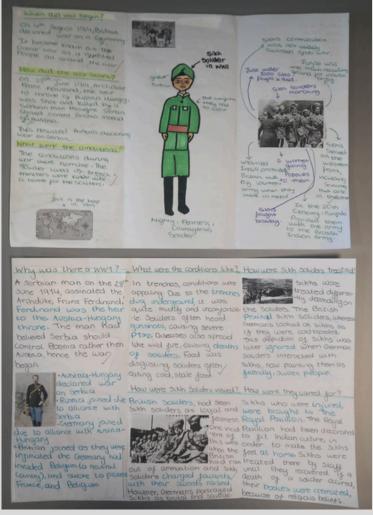
# **SECONDARY NEWS**



Well done to Gurjot and Manroop who created wonderful leaflets covering WW1 and Sikhs' contributions during it.

Mrs Grewal









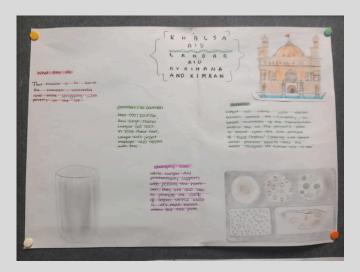
## **SECONDARY NEWS**



Well done to 7V for creating excellent posters that explore different charities that help the community. Pupils worked in groups and had to present their findings to the rest of the form. We have presented our wonderful work in class for other students to be informed of the great work people do in our community.

Mrs Grewal











## **PRIMARY NEWS**



Reception Christmas Nativity Performance

On Tuesday 17th December, Reception have taken us back in time and performed 'Our First Christmas Nativity' retelling the story of the birth of baby Jesus.

Kirpa said "I liked to put the baby Jesus in the manager".

Chiragh said "I enjoy doing the actions and my favourite line was we're going to Bethlehem as well".

The staff and parents were proud of their children and really enjoyed watching the performance.

Mrs M Kaur, Mrs C Bosworth and Mrs H Bhachu

















### **PRIMARY NEWS**



As part of Year 3's learning on 'The Stone Age', pupils were able to take part in an Art activity. They made marks and communicated by making Cave Paintings. This was something they would do during the Stone Age period. We turned the lights off and turned the tables over so we could really get into character and role play being in a dark cave. Children used resources found in the natural environment such as: Stones, sticks, feathers, charcoal, blackberries and blueberries. Navpreet said "It was so much fun learning about Cave Paintings," "It's interesting to see how people lived and communicated during the Palaeolithic, Stone Age period," added Tanaya.

Mrs Ghedia















## **PRIMARY NEWS**



In year 5 we have been learning all about the different stages of The water Cycle. Pupils researched carefully to find out how rain happens. We also found out lots of interesting facts such as 97% of Earth is made up of water. Then we used our research notes to create an explanation text. Roop in class 5A worked very hard and impressed her teacher by using many features of this text. We hope you enjoy reading Roop's fantastic work.

Mrs P Kaur

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## **PRIMARY NEWS**



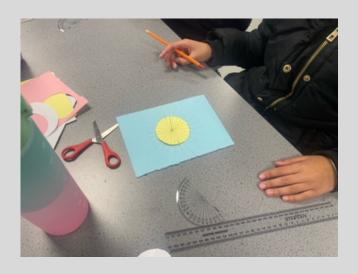
Primary students in year 5 and 6 have just completed a term of Engineering Club after school. They have explored and learnt all about the power of triangles, robotics, Engineering drawings, levers, crypto discs and so much more. Their teacher, an engineer from Vantage Education, was incredibly impressed by the behaviour, learning and skills of all children involved.

Congratulations to all the student for their amazing achievement.

Mrs Bhullar











### **HOUSE POINTS SYSTEM & RESULTS**



#### **Our School's Mission Statement**

"Oh Lord. All thine servants, who relish the name. Perform thy service. He, who effaces his self-conceit from within himself, becomes pure by Guru's grace."

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Our house points system is aligned to the 3 key principles of the Sikh faith. Each of the houses are also assigned a key figure from Sikh faith history.

#### Weekly House Points Results from 9th December to 13th December









3680

The house with the most points this week is:

**Vand Chhakna** 

**CONGRATULATIONS** 



### ATTENDANCE MATTERS



0 DAYS OFF 190 DAYS ATTENDED	100%	PERFECTION  "EXCELLENT ACHIEVEMENT"
4 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	98%	IMPRESSIVE
7 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	96%	NEARLY THERE
9 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	95%	CAN BE IMPROVED  "INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF BETTER GRADES"
11 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	94%	NEEDS TO IMPROVE
20 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	90%	SERIOUS CONCERNS  "CLASSED AS A PERSISTENT ABSENTEE" referred to Education Welfare Service
30 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	85%	RISK OF PROSECUTION "can be damaging to a student's social, emotional
38 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	80%	and mental wellbeing"



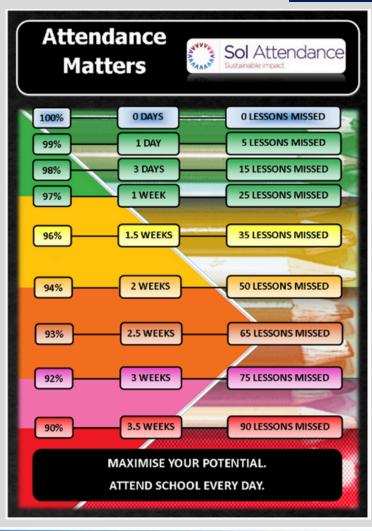


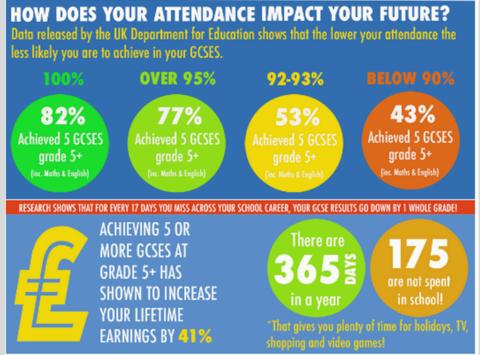
DID YOU KNOW? A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is 94.7%



### **ATTENDANCE MATTERS**





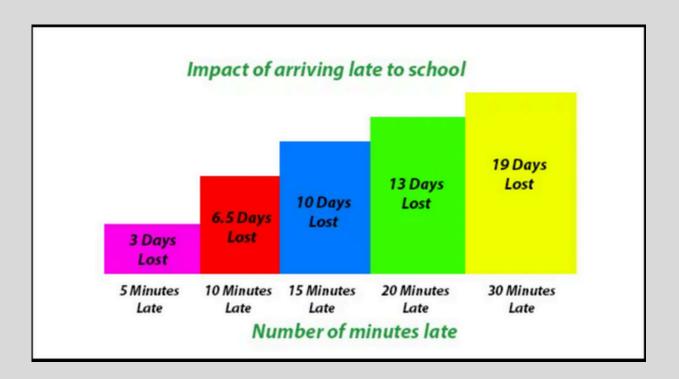






### **PUNCTUALITY MATTERS**





#### Being on time means your child:

- Can say hello to their friends in the playground
- · Can practice skills that will help to develop their learning and improve their confidence
- Can develop social skills
- Feels happy, relaxed and settled ready to start learning at 8.30 am

#### Being late means your child:

- Misses important social time with friends before the day begins
- Misses morning tasks that practice the ongoing key skills
- Misses vital school information being delivered, making it harder to communicate with teachers and peers during the school day
- Misses or coming in late to school assemblies
- Will be targeted to improve their punctuality, this will include contacting parents on a regular basis





#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**







13 December 2024

#### Dear Seva School Coventry,

We would like to express our sincerest gratitude and appreciation to you, for all the support which you have given towards the Wahegru Foundation's Annual Book & Toy Drive, in memory of the four princes and mother of the 10th King, Guru Gobind Singh Ji.

The Christmas period can be a very difficult time for vulnerable children and young people, as they often feel neglected, left out and alone. The Wahegru Foundation wanted to send the message that there are people out there who care about them and to be able to put a smile on their faces, by donating gifts of new books and toys during the festive period.

The Children's Society and Action for Children support vulnerable children and young people such as those who have been sexually exploited; those suffering with mental health and emotional wellbeing problems; those at risk of running away from home or care and those who have suffered from persecution and torture (refugees and migrants).

This year we have also been able to connect with a Children's School near the frontlines in Ukraine, where we've been able to send across gifts for the young children who are suffering from the war there.

In choosing to donate to The Children's Society, Action for Children and Ukraine, after six weeks of collective efforts by yourself and the Wahegru Foundation team, we were able to raise a collection of 3,237 gifts with a total RRP value of £31,165.97

In receiving such an overwhelming response, we would like to once again thank you for your kindness and support, in helping to bring so much happiness and joy to the hearts of disadvantaged children and young people.

God bless you always.

Humbly yours, Wahegru Foundation





### **ADMISSIONS**



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