

Hadleigh Infants and Nursery School Newsletter No 13 - 10th December 2021

Holiday Dates -

Christmas Holidays - Monday 20th December - Monday 3rd January 2022

First day of the Spring Term - Tuesday 4th January 2022

February Half Term - Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February 2022

Easter Holidays - Monday 4th April - Monday 18th April 2022

May Bank Holiday - 2nd May 2022

May Half-Term - Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June 2022

Inset Days - 24th June and 27th June 2022

Last Day of Summer Term - 21st July 2022. 1:30pm Finish

Dates for your Diary -

Wednesday 15th December - HINS Christmas Day

Thursday 16th December - Christingle making

Friday 17th December - Pantomimes

Friday 17th December - School Closes at 1:30pm

Tuesday 4th January - Return to School

Wednesday 5th January - No Pens Day

Friday 28th January - International LEGO Day

Friday 4th February - Historical Events Day

Monday 7th February - Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 8th February - Nursery Parents Evening

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Wednesday 9th February - Nursery Parents Evening

Thursday 10th February - Nursery Parents Evening

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Achievers of the Week -

Explorers: George

Stars: James Moons: Ruben Rockets: Phoenix

Planets: Luna Astronauts: Lydia Flying Saucers: Oakley

Galaxies: Temitope Asteroids: Finnley Satellites: Daisy

Attendance Heroes -

Planets: Ellie Astronauts: Amy Flying Saucers: Oakley

Galaxies: Emily Asteroids: Grace Da Satellites: Thomas

LUNCH MENU – WEEK COMMENCING 13th DECEMBER 2021

Monday - Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Baked Beans with Mixed Salad and Strawberry Mousse

Tuesday - Pasta Bolognaise or Quorn Bolognaise with Garlic Bread and Dairy Free Flapjack

Wednesday - CHRISTMAS DINNER

Thursday - Pepperoni Pizza or Cheese Pizza with Pasta and Mixed Salad and Dairy Free Marble Cake, Custard

<u>Friday</u> – Fish Finger Wrap or Veggie Fish Finger Wrap with Wholegrain and White Rice, Sliced Cucumber, Grated Carrot and Shredded Lettuce with Fruit.

News ...

Christmas Performances -

By half past 4 today, your child's teacher will send out the videos of the recently recorded Christmas performances via Seesaw. Although our initial plans for this event have changed, I am pleased that so many of our children have enjoyed filming their performances and are looking forward to watching them with their families tonight and over the weekend. When leaving school today, your child's teacher will provide them with some microwavable popcorn which we hope you enjoy as a family whilst watching their short films. Finally, I would like to thank all of the children and staff for working so hard on the videos.

COVID-19 -

Unfortunately, this week, the school has seen the biggest increase in the number of positive cases since the pandemic started. The school's protective measures and support from parents have always provided the school with a huge barrier against larger numbers of COVID-19. Although the numbers are still relatively low, I would like to again ask parents to be extra vigilant as we complete our final week before Christmas. If your child has any of the three main symptoms, please ensure they receive a negative PCR test result before returning to school. Over the next few weeks, as more information and guidance is released, I will consider the school's procedures for when we return in January. I will provide parents with an update, if needed, before returning on Tuesday 4th January.

HINS 'Christmas Day' -

On Wednesday 15th December, the school will be celebrating Hadleigh Infants and Nursery School's Christmas Day. On this day, the children will be invited to wear a Christmas Jumper. The children will also have the opportunity to have Christmas dinner and attend a Christmas party. If your child does not want Christmas dinner they will still be able to bring in their own packed lunch. During the class party the children will be supplied with some party food by the school. Finally, at some point during the day the children will sit together and open a present that has been supplied by their teachers and other adults in the class. Christmas Jumper Day will not require a donation from the children.

Panto Week -

Next week, classes will have access to several pre-recorded Pantomimes. Teachers will plan time for the children to access at least one of these shows throughout the final week. In addition to this, on the morning of Friday 17th December, the children in Year R, Year 1 and Year 2 will have the opportunity to separately watch a live pantomime performance of Aladdin. This event has been paid for by some of the donations the school has received during the past year.

Christingles -

Rev Paul Stow and his team will create a video that we will share with the children linked to Christingles. The video will cover the meaning behind the Christingle as well as instructions of how to make one. Your child will access this video on Thursday 16th December. Once the children have made their Christingles they will bring them home with them. The school will purchase all of the items needed for the Christingles.

Final Festive Treat -

On the last day, I would like to invite all parents to enter the school via the front gate. As you arrive you will be able to pick up a hot chocolate and a small Christmas snack whilst your children will be able to collect a candy cane from our wall of candy canes.

A few Reminders...

After School Club -

For those who still require the use of After School Club on Friday 17th December, we are intending to only offer this service until 4:00pm. If you would like to discuss this arrangement further, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Proctor via the school office.

Parents Association News

What's coming up..... Here is some key information and dates for your diary for the next term and further on in the year. You will receive more information and reminders via school newsletters, school Facebook page and individual class Facebook groups.

- December Break Christmas themed colouring competition Each child will be handed a colouring page before the
 Christmas break which will need to be returned to the class during the first week in January. There will be prizes for
 each year group and the entry cost will be 50p. GOOD LUCK!!
- January Match box scavenger hunt More information will follow in due course once the details have been finalised
- February Sunflower growing competition You will receive the form by the end of the month so that you are ready to start growing your seeds by the beginning of spring. Last year we raised almost £150 and hopefully with your help we can make this years competition even more successful.
- March To be confirmed School discos! Covid guidelines allowing, we are hoping to send information in regards
 to school discos and booking your child's ticket in January. It will be held in the school hall for each year group. We
 have an exciting entertainer who will be doing a puppet / magic show, party games and of course lots of dancing for all
 the children.
- Week beginning 14th March Mothers day sale Your child will be able to purchase a special gift for their mum, grandma, auntie or any other special female at the Mother's day sale.
- Easter Fayre! 1st April 1.30pm Straight after school (early finish as it's the last day of term) there will be some fun Easter themed crafts and activities for your child to take part in.
- May QUIZ NIGHT!
- Week beginning 13th June Fathers day sale Your child will be able to purchase a special gift for their dad, grandad, uncle or any other special male at the Father's day sale.
- 2nd July Colourthon A sponsored half marathon course around Southend / Leigh / Chalkwell which can be walked if required! The invitation is open to anyone over 13 years old to join. If anyone has or knows of a business or company who would be interested in sponsoring the Hadleigh Infants and Nursery school PA Team please get in touch!

We still need new members! As well as helping to raise vital funds for the school we also need extra hands to help run our events. We are always keen for new members to join us and share ideas. You can get involved as little or as much as you would like. If you are able to volunteer your time or have any questions about what is involved in joining the PA committee just drop an email to us at handleighinfantsandnurserypa@gmail.com. If you need to get in touch with the PA for any reason please feel free to email us. Thank you again for your continued support.