



# Hadleigh Infants and Nursery School

## Newsletter No 12 - 3rd 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 -

**Friday 10th December** - Galaxies Christmas Performance - Via Seesaw

**Friday 10th December** - Asteroids Christmas Performance -Via Seesaw

**Friday 10th December** - Satellites Christmas Performance - Via Seesaw

**Friday 10th December** - Planets Christmas Performance - Via Seesaw

**Friday 10th December** - Astronauts Christmas Performance - Via Seesaw

**Friday 10th December** - Flying Saucers Christmas Performance - Via Seesaw

**Friday 10th December** - Nursery Christmas Performance - Via Seesaw

**Friday 10th December** - Reception Christmas Performance - Via Seesaw

**Wednesday 15th December** - HINS Christmas Day

**Thursday 16th December** - Christingle making

**Friday 17th December** - Pantomimes

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

### Achievers of the Week -

**Explorers: Ruby**

**Stars: Sam**

**Planets: Joshua**

**Galaxies: Temitope**

**Moons: Jacob**

**Astronauts: Leo**

**Asteroids: Ronnie**

**Rockets: Joseph**

**Flying Saucers: Leah**

**Satellites: Robyn**

### Attendance Heroes -

**Planets: May**

**Galaxies: Evelyn**

**Astronauts: Buster**

**Asteroids: Charlie**

**Flying Saucers: Penelope**

**Satellites: Blake**

### LUNCH MENU – WEEK COMMENCING 6th DECEMBER 2021

Monday – Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Baked Beans with Mixed Salad and Chocolate Mousse

Tuesday – Sausage or Meat Free Sausage with Mash, Carrots and Peas and Dairy Free Lemon Drizzle Cake

Wednesday – Roast Beef or Garlic and Herb Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding, Green Beans and Savoy Cabbage and Fruit

Thursday – Tomato and Basil Pasta or Macaroni Cheese with Mixed Salad and Broccoli and Dairy Fruit Crumble and Custard

Friday – Giant Fish Finger or Omelette with Chips, Peas and Sweetcorn and Fruit

## News ...

**Christmas Fayre** - On Saturday 27th November, the school's Parents Association ran our Christmas Fayre event. Visitors were able to play games, visit Santa, play mini golf, complete craft activities and purchase a range of items. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the PA who gave up their time, not only on Friday and Saturday last week but for the weeks leading up to the event. To complete an event like this takes a committed team and many people volunteering. I would also like to thank the members of staff who gave up their time to support the PA too. I am delighted to let you know that the event raised £2,539. This money will be donated to the school and will allow me to fund projects and opportunities throughout the year. Thank you to everyone for supporting the event - your support makes the long days the PA spent organising worth while.

**Parking** - It has been brought to my attention that the level of traffic and parking around the school has started to increase as we have moved closer to winter which has led to several incidents. One parent spoke to me this week about how her child was nearly hit by a car. I fully understand that families may need to use the surrounding roads to park but I would ask that we all take additional care when closer to the school and park with consideration for those who have large buggies and prams. From September, we have been offering a Parking Permit which allows parents to park in Rectory Road Car Park. The permit is valid weekdays during term-time, up until 9:30am and between 2:45pm-4pm ONLY. If you would like to apply for a Parking Permit, please email [parentscomments@hadleigh-inf.essex.sch.uk](mailto:parentscomments@hadleigh-inf.essex.sch.uk) and we can provide you with an application form to complete.

**Bedtime Stories** - This week's Bedtime Stories event proved even more popular and enjoyable than previous years' - this year we had over 250 children attend the event! The event was enjoyed immensely by myself, the children and all of the staff who stayed in school in order to welcome the children, read stories and serve milk and biscuits. Thank you to all of those that transported the children to and from school on Wednesday evening, events like these depend on the support of parents and carers as much as the staff. Finally, I would like to thank all of the staff for their ever present dedication to providing the children at Hadleigh Infants and Nursery School with events and moments that will hopefully support the school's ethos of instilling a love of learning.

**Rocks and shells** - I would like to thank everyone who has painted and placed rocks and shells lining the school path from Bilton Road over the past 20 plus months. After Christmas, these will be removed. If your child would like to take their rock home, please do so by the end of the last day of this term. A selection of the items left will be placed in the school's COVID capsule as a memory of the work completed.

**Essex Library Winter Reading Challenge** - Essex Libraries Services launched their Winter Reading Challenge on Saturday 27 November 2021 and would love to invite the children of HINS and their families to take part. All families need to do is visit their local library, sign up and collect one of the exclusive giant bookmarks, which will be stamped with a special woodland creature stamp for each book the children read. The aim is to read six books over the winter period and receive a large golden star on completion of the challenge. Families can take part at any point from 27 November 2021 – 19 February 2022.

Everyone who signs up will be entered into a prize draw with a chance to win some fantastic prizes. These include Love Essex goodie bags, signed books from authors Catherine Emmett, Vassiliki Tzomaka and Emma Beswetherick and days out with Explore Essex, Essex Outdoors and the Wilderness Foundation. Visit [libraries.essex.gov.uk](http://libraries.essex.gov.uk) for more information or see the attached poster.

**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.

## A few Reminders...

**Uniform Rail** - We've all seen the over-flowing 'lost property' storage outside the office and hall, most of which has been there for a considerable time. So until 10th December, there will be a rail of used uniform and clothing outside the front reception. It has all been washed, and ironed where appropriate, and the hope is for everything to find a new home during these 3 weeks (rather than sending to landfill). All items there are FREE so please do come and take a look. If you would like to discuss this with anyone then please speak with Mrs Burls either on the gate or via the office.

**Reception and Junior school admissions for September 2022** - Parents of all current Year 2 and children who will be starting Reception in September 2022 need to make a formal application to the Council for a school place. Parents can apply via the website [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions). The admission round is open from Monday 8 November 2021, for parents of children to apply for a Reception or junior school (Year 3) place for September 2022. The statutory national closing date for applications is 15 January 2022. From 8 November 2021, applications can be made online via [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions) where you can also find information regarding the application process.

**News continued...**

**Christmas Fayre Raffle**

We have the following Raffle prizes in the schools main reception, awaiting collection. If your name is listed below, please see Mrs Reader to collect your prize.

1760 - Josie Barnes

0860 - Patsy Mulvey

1374 - Alison King

0991 - Denise Dartford

1925 - Debs

0521 - Kilby

0190 - Barry Weller

0965 - Mrs Went

0880 - Linda Syme

1150 - John Scannell

0187 - Lucy Saunders

0560 - Sue McManus

0924 - J Clirrie

1774 - Nicola Bassett