



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 4th December

Headteacher's update

The national lockdown is now over and in Lancashire we are back in Tier 3. As Christmas is approaching we need to continue to be really careful to avoid a positive case so that families are not faced with having to isolate over Christmas. We are continuing to follow all the guidance in school and we ask that you continue to do the same. Remember to wash your hands, wear a face covering and maintain social distancing at all times.

Yesterday the government published their guidance on end of Key Stage Examinations (SATs) during the summer term. Pupils in Year 2 will not sit formal tests but will be assessed by their teachers. Pupils in Year 6 will not sit a grammar and spelling test but will have a reading and maths assessment that will be marked externally. We are conscious that some of our current Year 6 have not just missed a full term last summer but have also been off this term self-isolating. This is far from ideal but we are doing all we can to ensure the pupils catch up through the after school clubs that Miss Morrissey is running.

Christmas hampers

Last shout for any toys for our hampers. Please can you make sure that they are in school on Monday so we can start the sorting process.

100 club

As we still have a few entries available for our new school lottery we have extended the deadline by another week. Please complete the form and return by 11th December as our first draw will take place before the end of term.

Hazel and Beech Trip

Today Hazel and Beech visited St James Church for a workshop, Journey to the Centre of the Christmas Pudding. They learnt what Christians believe about Christmas through craft, videos and stories. The children's behaviour was excellent and they had a fantastic time



Christmas Lunch

We will be having our Christmas lunch in bubbles on Tuesday 15th December. The menu is roast turkey (veg alternative) with mash, vegetables and gravy, followed by chocolate chip shortbread and fruit. The cost is £2.30. Please place order asap

Chocolate Bingo

Thank you to everyone who brought chocolate in today. Next Friday the children will be playing Bingo in their class bubbles alongside the partner class at St Josephs virtually. The winners will receive chocolate as prizes.



12 days of Xmas raffle

Our first draw will take place on Monday and we will draw the winner **live on Facebook** at 3:45 and publish the result on Class Dojo. Subsequent draws will take place at the same time every day next week and then until our last day of term.

Christmas Tree

I hope that you have all seen our beautiful and enormous Christmas tree at the front of school. Please can you make sure that children do not play near it when waiting to drop off or collect siblings for health and safety reasons.



Thank you

We need to say a massive thank you to 'epic environmental projects in Chorley' who donated 48 trees and packets of wild-flower seeds for our Forest School site.

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Highfield Standard

The following children have shown excellent presentation this week: **Layla McLaughlin, Aahil Hassan, Lance Overell, Kayla Allan, Harley Cottam, Coby Nield, Lily Newton, Kayla Booth, Isaac Cooper, Jacob McGovern**

Phonics superhero

Miss Mulla has chosen **Mia Devlin** as her phonics superhero this week for trying really hard with her phonics on alternative graphemes. She is able to segment and blend new words.



Learners of the Week

Well done to the following for working hard in their class this week: **Elijah Jacob, Brandon Everill, Brogan Everill, Fatima Ghufuran, Ella-Mae Lowe, Imogen Ellison, Brooke Bennetton, Naim Rahman, Blake Higham, Imogen Whitehead, Corban Futter**

Stars of the Week

The following children have been awarded star of the week for showing reliability: **Tommy Lowe, Sama Bazza, Sofia Moroney, Teisha Keig, Omobola Oyekoya, Brooke Bennetton, Shyla Robinson-Smith, Alex Carsley, Lily Irish, Balazs Vardai**



Happy Birthday

We wished a happy birthday today to **Jakob Murphy, Ellenor Clark, Eric Melling, Sama Bazza, Ali Patel, Lacie-Mai Everill, Hassan Ahmed, Darcie Smith**



Class Dojo points

Well done to the following for earning the most dojos in their class this week: **Brogan Everill, Alexander Newton, Casie Bennetton, Sheza Khalid, Stanley Holstead, Musabbiha Ahmed, Rolands Brant, Elisha Taylor, Daisy Burke**



Attendance Matters - Whole School Target 96%+ Well Done											
	Ash	Elm	Hazel	Beech	Maple	Pine	Cherry	Rowan	Syc	Willow	Overall
Week	90	97.7	99.2	98.4	98.4	98.4	99.2	99.4	96.8	99.3	98
Term	96.3	98.4	98.1	95.9	98.4	96.3	97.7	98.6	97.1	97.6	97.5
Year	96.3	98.4	98.1	95.9	98.4	96.3	97.7	98.6	97.1	97.6	97.5

Rowan class have had another amazing week. They have the highest attendance and retain the lead for the term. It would be amazing if every class was above our target of 96% by the end of term. Beech class just need a good couple of weeks to achieve this.

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