



# Weekly Newsletter

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December

## Headteacher's update

This week we had to close our first class bubble. Both Mrs Baddley and Mr Boyle in Hazel class were unwell on Monday and had to have a Covid tests. As both went off at the same time we made the decision to close the class. Fortunately, both results came back negative and we were able to welcome the children back on Wednesday. We have also had a number of other staff who have tested negative this week. Contrary to the recent reports in the press, schools are not being given an extra day off in the Christmas holidays. The DfE have stated that we can take an INSET day on the 18th December but this would mean one of our future INSET days would be given up. We will not be taking up this option as the short notice will adversely affect working parents. **School will remain open as advertised until the end of the day on Friday 18th December.**

## Christmas hampers

We have been putting together food and toy hampers this week. These will be distributed from the Conservative club on Stump Lane next week, toys on Tuesday and food on Wednesday.

## 100 club

Entries are now closed for this term for our lottery. We will be announcing the winner live on Facebook on Thursday at 3:45pm

## Christmas Lunch

We will be having our Christmas lunch in bubbles on Tuesday. The menu is roast turkey (veg alternative) with mash, vegetables and gravy, followed by chocolate chip shortbread and fruit. The cost is £2.30 for those who aren't entitled to free school meals. Please place orders at the office.

## Christmas Jumper Day

Children can come to school on Tuesday in their Christmas jumper and non-uniform. There is no charge for this.

## KS2 Catch-up clubs

There will be no intervention next week apart from Cherry and Rowan classes who are catching up missed sessions from previous weeks. Those sessions will be put on Class Dojo for your information.

## Chocolate Bingo

This afternoon we held our 'bubble bingo' sessions. Unfortunately, St Josephs were having technical issues so we held them separately. Children played a number of games and the winners received chocolate as prizes.



## 12 days of Xmas raffle

Winners so far:

Monday - Karen Kinloch & P Wolstenhomle

Tuesday - Michelle Wallbank & Heather Overell

Wednesday - Val Flynn & Jo Milmine

Thursday - Beth Griffiths & Wendy Gillibrand

Further draws will take place today at 3:45, over the weekend and next week leading up to our big prizes at the end of next week.

## Christmas parties

We will be holding Christmas parties next week on Thursday afternoon. Children can come to school in their party clothes apart from Pine class who need to be wearing their Forest school clothes for the morning and bring their party clothes in a bag to get changed. Party food will be provided by school. Cherry class will have Forest school on Friday morning.

## Pen Licence

Lily Irish, Ammad Anwar & Ahmed Usman have been awarded their pen licence for showing consistently good presentation.

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## Track and Trace

We have been asked by PHE to assist with contact tracing at the start of the Christmas holiday. If your child tests positive between the end of next week and Christmas eve please can you let Mr Proctor know by messaging him directly on Class Dojo, email on [head@highfield-pri.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@highfield-pri.lancs.sch.uk) or text or phone on 07810384793 . If that child developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, we will contact all parents of pupils in that bubble to tell them to isolate for 14 days. This will be done by Class Dojo and text message. After Christmas Eve you do not need to let school know if a member of your family tests positive until we return on 4<sup>th</sup> January.

## Highfield Standard

The following children have shown excellent presentation this week: **Sam Birtwell, George Jolly, Tolu Oyekoya, Ada Adamczyk, Victoria Adamczyk, Naim Rahman, Elisha Taylor, Sebastian Kolasinski, Ruby Taylor, Hassan Ahmed**

## Learners of the Week

Well done to the following for working hard in their class this week: **Libby Davies, Lily-Mai Russell, Alice Hunter, Mason Finch, Brooke Erfmann, Sophie Hall, Jamie Ireland, Phoebe Wallbank, Logan Draper, Hamna Rashid**

## Happy Birthday

We wished a happy birthday today to **Chrystal Pardon, Ruby Irish, Naim Rahman, Mollie Crawshaw, Millie Liles, Charlie Nicholson, Brady Hoarau & Teegan Lord**



## Phonics superhero

Miss Mulla has chosen **Scarlett Matthews** as her phonics superhero this week for making super progress in phonics; she is able to apply her phonic knowledge to segment tricky words.



## Stars of the Week

The following children have been awarded star of the week for showing reliability: **Elijah Jacob, Isabel Davies, Jacob Bowker, Katie Forshaw, Abdulbari Bazza, Chloe Durnan, Ayaan Naveed, Byron Kay, Kyle Robinson, Imogen Highton**

## Class Dojo points

Well done to the following for earning the most dojos in their class this week: **Casie Bennetton, Ryan Eatock, Aahil Hassan, Mohammed Usman, Wasiq Ghufuran, Abdulbarri Bazza, Riley Watkinson, Joe Hunter, Haider Ali**



## Attendance Matters - Whole School Target 96%+ Well Done

	Ash	Elm	Hazel	Beech	Maple	Pine	Cherry	Rowan	Syc	Willow	Overall
Week	93.3	99.2	97.3	100	98.3	95.3	98.9	92.2	94.7	97.4	96.8
Term	96.1	98.4	98.1	96.1	98.4	96.2	97.8	98.1	97	97.6	97.5
Year	96.1	98.4	98.1	96.1	98.4	96.2	97.8	98.1	97	97.6	97.5

Beech class have had a perfect week for attendance and as a result have gone above 96% for the term. Maple and Elm class are jointly in the lead for the term with just one week to go. Let's try and make sure all the classes stay green next week.

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