

Newsletter

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SPECIAL MENTIONS

Class one: Dexter & Rebecca
Class two: Bobby & William
Class three: Harry
Class four: Luke & Isabel
Class five: Emily & Abigail



THANK YOU

Some of you will have seen the wonderful Christmas tree donated by Mr and Mrs Macfarlane which is now up in the hall. Thank you to them for their kindness and generosity – the tree looks fabulous!

STAFF NEWS

Mr Bond has informed us that he will not be returning to school for the last four days before Christmas although he is planning on bringing his new daughter into school to meet children and staff at the beginning of the week commencing 17th December. Therefore Miss Oates and Mrs Haslam will continue to work in class three until Christmas supported by Miss Gledhill and me. Mr Bond will then be back at work after the Christmas holidays.

For those of you who don't know, Miss Hudson is getting married on 22nd December! Due to time she has accrued from attending an ongoing maths leader course on Fridays this year (her usual day off) she will not be in school for the week commencing 17th December as she prepares for her wedding by taking time in lieu. Therefore Miss Hudson's last day before her marriage will be Thursday 13th December – when she returns to school she will be Mrs Powdrill! For the final four days of the Christmas term Mrs Sayles and Miss Gledhill will be working in the class with a little help from me! We would like to wish Miss Hudson a wonderful wedding and a very happy life together with her husband.

FOHS

Thank you to the members of FOHS and the volunteers who came in this week to work with the children on the Christmas decorations. Further events include:

- **KSI Christmas Performances are at 1.30pm on Tuesday 11th and 9.30am on Wednesday 12th December.** FOHS will be providing refreshments and would appreciate a couple of extra helpers if anyone is available; all we ask is that you arrive a little earlier than the start time. Again, it would be helpful if you could let the office know if you are available to help.
- **Friday 14th December is our first ever Christmas Fayre.** Lots of stall holders have already signed up for the hall and the children are ready to start production of some gifts to sell in classrooms. It's getting very exciting!! Once again, any extra help planning or on the day would be greatly appreciated. Please let us know if you are available and haven't already signed up. Also, if anyone knows of any traders who would like a stall we do have a very limited number still available.
- **Christmas Film Night on Tuesday 18th December 3pm – 5.30pm**
- **Christmas card** delivery has arrived and items given to teachers to distribute today

Raffle tickets will be on sale at upcoming events and have been sent home today (on a sale or return basis) for return by Monday 17th. The draw will take place on Wednesday 19th December during the school assembly. We would very much appreciate the donation of cakes and buns for the refreshment stall and would ask that these are sent into school on the morning of the fayre. Thank you

INFANT NATIVITY

Next week sees the advent of the Infant Nativity Production. This is always a popular event and most tickets have been taken but any spare tickets are available from the office from today. Can we please remind parents that for safeguarding and GDPR reasons photographs and videos are unable to be taken? Photos will be on the programme we hand out and a video made by FOHS will also be available from school. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY

The bulk of our individual photograph orders have been delivered to school and distributed to children. Tempest photography has informed us that we may receive several deliveries of photographs and these will be distributed to parents as soon as we receive them.

LUNCH CLUB

This week the school council attended the church Christmas lunch club to sing for the elderly in the village. They performed four Christmas songs and received some chocolates as a thank you and made us very proud!

EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS

All extra-curricular clubs finish next week as there are no clubs in the final four days. As per the original schedule there will also be no Art Club or Karate/Fitness clubs on 14th December due to the Christmas Fayre.

SPRING TERM CLUBS

We are confirming our Spring Term Extra-Curricular Club Schedule and want to give children and parents a last chance to request a place at Tag Rugby on Fridays 3.00 – 4.00 pm for Y1 – Y4 which is a non-contact form of Rugby involving wearing tags that are pulled out by the opposing team (almost like a game of Tig!). We have a number of places left and need to expand the club in order for it to be viable to run.

Additionally we have 4 places left in Art Club on Fridays 3.00 – 4.00 pm for Y2 – Y6 and would like to give children a last chance to join this club before we close the list. There are also spare places in Karate/Fitness/Boxercise, Ball Skills and AmigoKids Spanish. If you would like to request places in any of these clubs, please contact the office by Tuesday 11th December. Thank you

CHURCH SERVICES AND INFORMATION

I know Reverend Maureen would like me to remind parents about the Christingle Service held at church next Tuesday at 6pm (11th). This is a lovely service for children and families to attend and this year's Christingle Oranges will be made by class two so please do attend if you can.

Additionally, there has been a discrepancy in the Christmas dates of events happening at the Church so the date of the Nativity has been changed to the **16th December at the 11.00 am service.**

Packs to make peg angels went home a couple of weeks ago. Thank you to those who have already made theirs and returned them to school. They will be taken up to church and hung on a Christmas tree over the Christmas period. Those of you who are yet to make one can bring them to the Christingle service next Tuesday 11th December at 6pm to hang it on yourself. If you are unable to get to the service, the angels can be brought into school up until the end of term.

Christmas services at Hoylandswaine Church

Christingle 11th December 6pm

Family service and nativity 16th December 11am

Sunday at 4 concert 16th December 4pm

Crib service, Angels, tea and cake 24th December 3.30pm

All welcome!

CAROL CONCERT

Our annual KS2 Carol Concert is being held at the church next Thursday (13th) at 9.30am. This is a lovely opportunity to come and see our wonderful junior children perform festive songs, both in classes and in the choir. I would like to remind parents that, for safeguarding and GDPR reasons photographs and videos are unable to be taken. However we will be taking photos from school (without specific children in them) and will put them on our school website. Everyone is welcome to come and join us!

BOOK FAYRE

Thank you to everyone who attended the book fayre this week – I am sure you will agree that there were some great bargains! The boxes are going back and we will be informed how much commission we have made.

SCHOOL LOTTERY

This week's winner was Lynsey Woodger – congratulations to her! Please consider supporting the school by buying tickets and telling your family members and friends about this too. Tickets cost £1 and the school will

receive 40% of the ticket sales each month. There will be a guaranteed weekly winner from our school and all tickets have a chance at winning a further £25,000 in a separate draw. In order to sign up, please click on the link on the home page of our website or go to <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/hoylandswaine-primary-school> to sign up. Thank you for your support!

OWLS PAYMENTS

We would just like to give a reminder that we are unable to take cash payments for Owls places and would request that parents use our online payment system. Thank you

SICKNESS BUGS

We are currently experiencing a sickness and diarrhoea outbreak and would urge all parents to remember to stick to the NHS 48 hour rule before returning your child to school. We know this is inconvenient but even if your child appears fine after 24 hours, if they return to school they will just pass the bug onto other children and staff. Please keep them at home away from school until 48 hours after their last episode as this is the only way to break the cycle. Thank you

AMAZON WISHLIST

Please do take a look at our Amazon Wishlist. This is a list of items that we would be very grateful to receive as donations, Christmas gifts etc which would all improve our resources for the children to use. Thank you so much for the items received this week! Please visit: <https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1U1D0LF8HGBAL>

LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

FOHS: Christmas movie night

FOHS: Christmas raffle tickets

Y1 & Y2: Christmas Infant Nativity CD

Y6: SATs Book

OUTSTANDING REPLY SLIPS

KS2 Fruit requests by 6th December

Y6: Volunteer project with Twiggs on 11th December

Y6: SATs Book orders – replies by 12th December

Y1 & Y2: Christmas Infant Nativity CD – replies by 14th December

FOHS: Christmas Movie Night – replies by 14th December

FOHS: Christmas raffle tickets/stubs by 17th December

DECEMBER DATES

- 11th December – 1.30pm – Infant Christmas Nativity performance
- 11th December – 6pm – church Christingle service
- 12th December – 9.30am – Infant Christmas Nativity performance
- 13th December – 9.30am – Christmas Carol Service (juniors) at church – parents welcome
- 14th December 3pm – 5pm – Christmas Fayre
- **14th December 3pm – 4pm – No Art or Street Dance extra-curricular clubs (as per original schedule)**
- **Reminder: no extra-curricular clubs in last four days before Christmas holidays**
- 17th December – Infant Christmas party
- 18th December – Christmas lunch
- 19th December – Junior Christmas party
- 20th December – Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children – break up for Christmas

Have a lovely weekend