

# Newsletter

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## **SPECIAL MENTIONS**

Class 1: Seth R & Dottie  
Class 2: Eleanor & Harry  
Class 3: Charlotte & Joe  
Class 4: Fynlay & Teddy  
Class 5: Phoebe & William  
Well done to everyone!



## **NATIVITY**

Thank you to our wonderful infant children for a very memorable set of nativity performances this week. The children sang and acted so well and it was a really festive occasion well supported by parents and extended families. Thank you to the parents of FOHS too who provided the refreshments for each performance. We hope you all enjoyed the experience!

## **CHRISTMAS PARTIES**

On the days of the Christmas parties (see dates section at the end) the children are able to dress in party clothes for the party. As we have some other things going on during those days, we would ask that juniors come to school dressed in party clothes but that infants come to school dressed in their outdoor PE clothes and bring their party clothes with them in a bag. This is due to a judo workshop that the children are all undertaking on the morning of the infant party. Thank you

## **CHRISTMAS ENTERPRISE FAIR**

The children who have attended the Enterprise Club held a great Christmas Fair this week in the hall for their last club meeting. Thank you to all the parents who came along to support the children and make purchases of their products. We hope the children really enjoyed the experience.

## **CHRISTINGLE SERVICE**

We hope everyone enjoyed the Christingle Service in church on Wednesday. Many thanks to the children in Class 3 who assembled the Christingle oranges on Tuesday, along with the staff who supervised the distribution of the sweets!

## **FATHER CHRISTMAS AND PIE AND PEAS!**

Come along to see Father Christmas arrive on his sleigh between 5.30 pm and 6.00 pm on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December before switching on the Christmas tree lights outside the Rose and Crown. Children will have an opportunity to have a quick last word with Father Christmas to ensure all is in order for the big day. There will then be some carol singing around the tree, accompanied by a small brass band. The pub will be serving pie and peas afterwards. All welcome. The event has been organised by Hoylandswaine Village Festival; find them on Facebook to keep up with other events.

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS**

Just a reminder that, as stated on the initial clubs letter, all extra-curricular clubs have ended this week therefore no clubs will run before or after school next week. We hope the children have enjoyed the clubs they have attended this term and thank the staff for volunteering to run the clubs for the children. Please remember to log onto [schoolmoney.co.uk](http://schoolmoney.co.uk) to make your payments for the spring term clubs. All new clubs commence the first week of term (as per the timetable sent out previously – a copy of which will be uploaded onto the school website before we finish for the Christmas break).

## **CHRISTMAS CARDS**

We have our Christmas post box in the hall so children and parents are welcome to post cards in there. Our Y5/6 children are sorting and delivering at lunchtime!

### **BMS MUSIC TUITION**

Please remember to log onto [schoolmoney.co.uk](http://schoolmoney.co.uk) to make your payment if your child will be participating in music tuition during the spring term.

### **FOHS STRUCTURE**

As many of you will be aware, last year the parents of FOHS were fundraising to provide an outdoor gazebo for the playground area. Last year £5000 was raised for this project. After much discussion about the most suitable building as well as the parents of FOHS meeting with a group of children in school last week, the members of FOHS would like to be able to provide a sturdier glass fronted building for the children to use. Therefore they have decided to fund raise for this over the coming year too. Altogether it will take around £9000 to fund the proposed structure so we do hope parents will be able to help by supporting the events over the year.

### **HANDING ITEMS INTO THE OFFICE**

We do try to keep as much information on the newsletter as possible so that there are fewer letters being sent home. However, at times, we have to send letters that require slips to be completed or information sent in envelopes etc. Every class has a folder into which they place these kinds of items and this is subsequently sent to the office with the dinner register. Sometimes parents prefer to hand these things in at the office. After some recent feedback from a parent who suggested that a box in the entrance would stop parents from disturbing Mrs Taylor and Mrs Roebuck, we have placed a cream basket next to the signing in and out book. This is available for any parent who would find it useful.

### **PENISTONE CLEAN AND TIDY AND OUR POND**

Thank you to the members of the school community who volunteered to work with Twiggs Gardeners to overhaul our pond this week. Unfortunately the weather did not comply with our plans and was just too cold and icy for the project to take place. We will reschedule for the New Year.

### **SPELLING**

Class teachers have begun to add videos that explain spelling patterns onto their class pages. Teachers will add these every couple of weeks when appropriate so please check your child's class page regularly as watching the videos will support the children in learning the strategies at home too. Thank you

### **SCHOOL LOTTERY**

Our lottery winner this week was Lydia Hillman! Congratulations to Lydia. We have now reached 66 lottery tickets sold which means we are doing better. Thank you to everyone who has signed up to support the school with this fundraiser. We would like to get to 100 if we could! Please click on:

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/hoylandswaine-primary-school> to sign up or see the school website. Thank you for your support!

### **CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE**

Any parent who has been to our carol service for the last couple of years will know what a squash it has become in the church. With a further increase in school numbers this year, we have decided to make some changes to our service which will be held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 9.30am. The junior children will attend the carol service while the infant children will remain in school as the junior children are the performers for the service. The juniors will perform to the infant children on the afternoon of 20<sup>th</sup> December so they still experience the service. In this way, we hope that there will be enough room for parents and family members to fit into the church with some level of comfort.

### **UNIFORM**

We have explored the possibility of giving parents a choice of where to purchase the embroidered logo school uniform garments and this has resulted in us setting up an account with Tesco Uniform Embroidery Service (UES) that will go live this week. Leaflets have been sent home this week explaining the ordering process. There will also be a link to the Tesco UES site on our website. The website address is

<https://www.tesco.com/direct/hoylandswaine-primary-school/22366.school> The school will receive commission on any items purchased and there is a large range of garments to choose from, so please take a look and use this convenient method of ordering as / when you need any items. Delivery is direct to home. We will trial this during the Spring term, running in conjunction with our existing supplier, and give you feedback in the Summer term.

### **STUDENT SAVINGS BANK**

The school bank has closed for 2017 and following the recent Book Fair it has been decided to audit savings books. Please send savings books into school as soon as possible for auditing. Thank you.

### **SAVE THE CHILDREN CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY**

On Friday 22nd December, our last day of term, we are holding a Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children. Children are welcome to come in a Christmas Jumper, t-shirt or any non-uniform if they would prefer. We would ask for donations to the charity to be sent into school on the day. Many thanks to all

### **FOHS CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

Please return raffle ticket stubs to school before the deadline of 3.30 pm on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you to all parents/family that have purchased tickets.

### **CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

If your child has opted to have a cooked Christmas lunch on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December rather than sandwiches you will need to pay £2 on schoolmoney before next Wednesday. To credit your child's dinner account via schoolmoney please go to 'top up' and change the amount to £2.00. Thank you.

### **PAYMENTS**

Robinwood residential trip – the final payment for this Y5/Y6 trip is due today 15<sup>th</sup> December.  
Term 2 Extra Curricular Clubs – payments to be made before Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December to secure places.

### **DECEMBER DATES**

- 19<sup>th</sup> December pm – infant Christmas party
- 20<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas lunch available for children
- 21<sup>st</sup> December – junior Christmas carol service in church
- 21<sup>st</sup> December – junior Christmas party
- 22<sup>nd</sup> December – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day and last day of term

**Have a lovely weekend**

# ***FRIENDS OF HOYLANDSWAINE SCHOOL***



Hello

What a busy week with the KS1 Nativity performances. Thank you to all volunteers who have helped out this week and the homemade cake, all without your help would not be the success it is. Raffle prizes kindly donated for the hampers were on show. With thanks to Sally and Granny Dot for putting these together. I hope you all have bought your raffle tickets! The winning tickets will be drawn after the carol performance - good luck.

FOHS are also registered with just giving. Please see link below and sign up. A % of online shopping goes towards FOHS fundraising, so the more parents who sign up the more we can get to raise vital funds. And most of us I'm sure shop with Amazon at times.

Just click on the link and search for FOHS and sign up - many thanks in advance

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/>

Have a good weekend

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