



At this time of year, we appreciate there is a lot going on both in school and beyond. We hope this newsletter helps to share as much information as possible for the run up to Christmas/winter holiday, as well as sharing good news stories.

Reminders for winter weather:

- It's great that many children enjoy the dash across the playground into school in the morning before school but, as frost is inevitable, it is good if parents alert the children to the risk of 'black ice'. We will as well. 😊
- Coats, scarves and hats. The children can enjoy the cold weather but they need the right clothing. Please ensure they have what they need. If you have spare donations to share, please bring them in. We will be creating a free swap table this Wednesday after school in the main playground.

Quick reminder in school start time:

- Registration begins at 8:50am and closes at 9:00am. Children can begin coming into school at 8:45am.



Ned goes full time

After nearly a year of being in school, we have decided to take Ned, the school dog, on full-time. He is very much in demand and we hope more children get to meet and work with Ned now he has increased his days from 3 to 5.



News on clubs for January

The school has increased the school clubs offer for January. Details to follow. Thank you to all the staff, especially Mrs Davies and Miss Billitteri for organising.

Well done to the PTA Committee - Fireworks

The fireworks display raised over £500 for the school. Well done to the PTA committee and all the staff volunteers. Parents can share all constructive feedback with the PTA committee via the email account: HaywoodvillagePTA@gmail.com



Poppy Appeal

We are pleased to share that we raised £257.06 for the Royal British Legion.

Children in Need

The school team, combined with all your donations, ensured the school raised £801 for Children in Need. This is a new record for the school!



November

A few of the teachers joined in with the Movember movement. With your support, we raised over £350. In a recent assembly to Key Stage 2 children, we shared how all of us can encourage the men and future men in our lives to talk about their mental and physical health. We also shared a useful video to support children's understanding of mental health: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oz1S66_pYTw



Office closed Tuesday afternoons 1:30 – 2:30pm

We will be closing the office every week for an hour on Tuesdays to support the development of staff and the team. Emails and telephone messages will be picked up after. Thank you for your understanding.

Year 6 Beam House Residential



The Year 6's had a great time on their recent 1-week residential to Beam House. We were very proud of the children. Throughout the week children exemplified the values and Great Learner behaviours of our school.

Thank you to Mr Fraser, Mrs Lovely, Mrs Storer, Mr Lawrence, Mr Ellis and Mrs Andrews for all volunteering the many additional hours to support the children's pastoral care.

More footballing success

Our Year 5 & 6 football team did well recently and won the North Somerset championship. Well done!



If you know of anyone who would be interested in sponsoring the school football team for our first school kit, please contact the school via the email address.

Foodbank Christmas Advent

We would like a final push for the Weston-super-Mare's Foodbank in December. In our Haywood Village and wider Weston community, we have families that need our support. Only if you can, please bring in donations for the following:



Week 1: This week – Tins of food and bottles

Week 2: Next week – Toiletries

Week 3: Final week – Dried foods, e.g. pasta, cereals, rice

Learning opportunities across the school...

The Year Group webpages do give you an insight into the range of learning opportunities our children experience. These can be found on the curriculum drop-down menu on the website.



The final week...

At the time of writing, this is the current plan for a very Christmassy final week. Please note, this is all on the Events page of the website <https://haywoodvillageacademy.clf.uk/events/>

Please note the limits of parent attendance for the shows. These numbers have been checked with Public Health. We understand this will pose a challenge for families where the parents live in separate households and so we have reserved a number of additional seats which we will need parents to request. These will be first come, first served. Please complete the survey (link to follow) to request these. Tickets will be available to collect from the office next week.

- Monday 13th Dec: Christmas Jumper Day
 - Please bring any coin donation and wear your Christmas jumper to support Save the Children.
- Tuesday 14th Dec: EYFS & KS1 Panto trip
- Tuesday 14th Dec: Pre-school Xmas Singalong and Crafting 1:30 – 2:45pm (2 parents per child)
- Wednesday 15th Dec: KS2 Panto trip
- Wednesday 15th Dec: Reception nativity show 9:30-10:30am (2 parents per child only)
- Thursday 16th Dec: Y1&2 additional Xmas show 11:00 – 12:00pm (1 parent per child only)
- Thursday 16th Dec: Y1&2 Christmas show 1:30 – 2:30pm (1 parent per child only)
- Thursday 16th Dec: Y3&4 Christmas show 9:30 – 10:30pm (1 parent per child only)
- Friday 17th Dec: Y5&6 Christmas show 9:30-10:30am (1 parent per child only)
- Friday 17th Dec: Early Closure 2pm
 - The school will close at 2pm to prepare for the Christmas Fayre.
 - Parachutes After School Club will be closed on this day.
- Friday 17th 2:30 – 4:30pm Outside - PTA Christmas Fayre

Return of the Golden Mentions

Isla in Year 2 and Milo in Year 1 led an assembly to describe and explain their lives alongside their diabetes. Both children did a fantastic job of speaking to the school to help others understand their health condition and practical impact on their lives. They were inspiring.



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