Hawthorn Community Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have come to the end of a long and busy Autumn term and I hope you are all looking forward to a relaxing and restful Christmas.

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of myself and the Hawthorn Team, to thank you for your continued support of our school and our children. As a school, we have achieved so much this term. Our children have had some amazing experiences with visits from the Wonderdome, the Life Education Team and the Wickes Safety Truck. We have been able to link up with our community and enjoyed celebrating Harvest Festival, collecting donations for Homestart, and yesterday took a group of children to Gabriel Court Care Home to sing carols for the residents. We've raised money for various charities, including Children in Need and Save the Children - thank you for your on-going generosity in supporting these charities. We have also taken part in a Remembrance Service, Bikeability, Toast & Tales and Friendship Week plus our wonderful KS2 Christmas Musical Evening and a trip to the Pantomime! We have celebrated several Hawthorn Heroes for displaying our values of Community and Teamwork and have been proud to see our wonderful children take part in sporting events across the community.

And on top of all that, we were all thrilled to become an Ofsted GOOD school, following our inspection in September!

Our new Reception children are all very settled now and it feels as if they have been here forever! Well done on completing your first term - the recent nativity performances were a real highlight! Yesterday, we had a magical afternoon watching the KS1 Christingle Service and we ended the term today with traditional Carols Around the Tree.

None of these achievements would have been possible without your support. We are lucky to be part of such a generous and close-knit community and I look forward to working with you all and building on Hawthorn's success throughout 2024.

Have a wonderful, restful and relaxing Christmas and a very happy New Year and we will see you all on **Thursday 4th January**.

With very best wishes,

Emma Jacox

Head Teacher

