



Hawthorn Community Primary School



Weekly Newsletter 14/12/18



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Christmas has well and truly arrived at Hawthorn this week!

The EYFS children have performed their Christmas show, 'A Miracle in Town' to parents on Wednesday afternoon and again on Thursday evening. It was lovely to see the children singing and dancing so enthusiastically, and I was amazed at how well they all remembered their lines. All of the children in school had the opportunity to watch the dress rehearsal, and the performances to parents were very well received. It is incredible to think that they have only been in school for such a short time and yet they are able to stand up in front of a crowded hall and perform so well. Thank you to all of the adults who worked so hard to prepare the children.

On Thursday the KS2 children had their Christmas party with a feast at lunchtime followed by games and an afternoon of fun. They have also been busily rehearsing for their Musical Evening at the United Reformed Church next Tuesday evening. We hope that as many of you as possible will be able to join us at the church for this event, which starts at 7.00pm.

This morning the EYFS and KS1 children were entertained in school by the 'Laugh out Loud' touring theatre company who performed 'Aladdin'. There was lots of audience participation, which the children and staff joined in with enthusiastically, Particularly the singing of 'Baby Shark'! After this the children had their Christmas party feast in the school hall and then took part in an afternoon of fun and games. Thank you for all of the generous donations for both of our party feasts!

This afternoon the KS2 children walked down to the Lighthouse Theatre to watch the performance of Aladdin and we hope that they enjoyed this as much as our younger children enjoyed their show! We are very grateful to the PFA who gave a generous donation towards the cost of both of these performances and hope that all of those children who attended enjoyed the experience.

The lost property bin, which can be found outside of Elm classroom, is overflowing with unclaimed items of clothing. These items will be on display in the school hall on Tuesday evening, so this will be your chance to claim any items that your child has misplaced. Any unclaimed items will be disposed of at the end of this term.

On Thursday after school Miss Blakeley met with our group of parent reading volunteers to prepare them for the role they will be starting in January. We are very grateful to all of those mums and grandma's who have volunteered to give an hour or two of their time to come into school and listen to children read, but would love to welcome some male volunteers to act as good reading role models for our boys. If you are interested in helping out and making a difference, it's not too late to volunteer!

House Points for this Term

	Weekly total	Termly total
Rockingham	77	877
Salcey	81	980
Sherwood	82	976
Thefford	77	975

Well done to everyone in Sherwood this week.

**This term's leaders are:
SALCEY**

PFA News

Thank you so much to everyone who helped at or attended the Christmas Fair last week. It was a fantastic evening and I hope it was enjoyed by all.

Thanks to all of you we managed to raise a fantastic total of :

£1753 !!

This will be of great use to the school and will allow them to help our children to enjoy their time at Hawthorn.

We hope everyone has a well-deserved Christmas break.

With thanks,
The PFA x

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

Please ensure that your child has suitable sports clothing for outside PE in the winter months, including a sweatshirt and tracksuit or jogging bottoms.

Please make sure that your child's NAME is written clearly in all of their clothes so that items that 'get lost' can be easily returned.

Reporting Absences

If your child is absent from school please remember to telephone the school office (before 9.30am if possible) on **512204**, or did you know you can text us on **07807 941646**.

Christmas Celebrations Next Week

Next week don't forget to join us at our final seasonal celebrations. The EYFS and KS1 Christingle Service will take place on Monday afternoon at St Michael's Church, starting at 2pm.

Then on Tuesday evening we will be celebrating our KS2 Musical Evening at the United Reformed Church on London Road, starting at 7pm.



Dates for Your Diary:

December	
15 th	KS2 Choir perform at GUS Carol Concert
17 th	EYFS/KS1 Christingle Service 2.00pm at St. Michael's Church
18 th	KS2 Christmas Musical Evening 7pm at the United Reform Church
19 th	End of Term 2
January	
7 th	Start of Term 3

Maths Chase

You may be aware that the government will be introducing a new multiplication test for all year 4 children. In school we use the '99 Club' to encourage all of the children to learn their times tables. You could also help your child with this by allowing them to access Maths Chase, which is a free site that offers children the chance to learn their times tables through a simple game. It can be accessed through the following link, which is also available on our school website: <https://www.mathschase.com/>

Thank you to everyone who came to our School Christmas fair last Friday. The School Council raised £114.89 in their games room, and the School Stall raised £285.53 from the sale of items that the children had made in school and from the sale of donated items. Thank you all very much!



Don't forget that next Wednesday will be Christmas Jumper Day in school. The children can come to school in a Christmas jumper (rest of normal school uniform should still be worn)



Christmas Holiday Playscheme Dates

20th -21st Dec and 2nd-4th January
Full and part days available.

Please help the staff to plan ahead by booking in advance. Thank you

Our direct line telephone number is
01536 529059 (Please leave a message)



Attendance Update

This week's whole school attendance was: **96.4%**

EYFS and KS1 CLASSES	Total for week	Change from previous week	KS2 CLASSES	Total for week	Change from previous week
Cherries	88.9%	- 3.8	Willows	99.3%	+ 2.3
Apples	93.9%	- 0.9	Silver Birches	96.1%	+ 0.1
Ash	96.5%	+ 1.2	Redwoods	94.7%	- 1.8
Bay	96.2%	+ 0.5	Maples	98.7%	+ 2.0
Elm	97.9%	+ 2.1	Cedars	99.0%	+ 0.9
			Oaks	96.0%	- 0.3

SAM Weekly Winner: WILLOWS

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