



# Hawthorn Community Primary School



## Weekly Newsletter 17/12/20



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Well we have come to the end of another busy term and what a term it has been. We are all so proud of the way the children have adapted to all the changes and the reliance they have shown since September. I think they all deserve a well-earned break and with this in mind we will be setting a very special homework for the holiday, please see below.

This week children have shared some lovely Christmas activities. The PFA provided some amazing gifts which were delivered to classrooms on Monday, they were all gift wrapped and the children were very excited to receive their own class bags of gifts. On Tuesday we were very pleased that the sun shone and we were able to hold our whole school singing assembly and as one of the children said, it was a very special moment for us all. On Wednesday the smell of hot turkey dinners wafted through the school as we tried our first hot meal of the year with our COVID restrictions. There were a few teething troubles but with all hands on deck the children had the chance to enjoy a lovely warm turkey or vegetarian bap. The staff who tried it said it was very tasty.

All classes have enjoyed the virtual panto that was organised by the PFA as well as their tasty treat of a bag of popcorn at some point this week and as I am sitting here writing this letter I am surrounded by the sound of Christmas music and laughter not only from children but the staff.

Class Dojo will not be monitored by staff over the holiday, to allow everyone to have a well-earned break. The staff are just as tired as the children. Thank you all for helping to protect our bubbles in school. We are very proud that we did not have to close any bubbles this term.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Stay safe everyone and we will see you all in January.



### WOW WORKER WALL OF HONOUR



EYFS		KS1		LKS2		UKS2	
Cherries	Adrian	Ash	James M	Redwoods	Everyone!	Cedars	Charlie
Apples	Toby	Bay	Mary	S. Birches	Harry	Maples	Charlotte
		Elm	Isla	Willows	Jacob	Oaks	Ruby

Well done to these children who have been chosen by their teachers as their classes 'Wow Worker of the Week'. They are rewarded for their special efforts or achievement this week and should be bringing a certificate home with them today.

## Christmas holiday homework

You have been working so hard this term. It's time to take a break, sit back, and enjoy a couple of weeks on holiday! Here are some things we hope you manage to tick off:

- Watch a Christmas film with your family.
- Make snowflakes out of paper and put them up in your window.
- Feed the birds in your garden or local park (they can't find much food at this time of year)
- Snuggle on the sofa and read a book as a family.
- Make something out of the discarded wrapping paper and Christmas cards
- Help your family to cook a delicious meal.
- Make a den out of duvets and blankets.
- Go on a hunt around your local area to find the best Christmas lights, decorations or advent windows.
- Make a New Year's resolution on New Year's Eve
- Donate an old toy or old books to a charity shop.
- Learn a new skill around the house such as making your bed or helping with the washing.
- Play a board game

### Polite reminder

Please can we remind parents that older siblings should be 14 before collecting their younger siblings. If your child is in year 5 and year 6 they are able to walk home from school after you have given permission via the online form. If children are attending an after school club in the winter months, even if they are in year 5 and 6 we would like an adult to collect due to it being dark outside by the time the club has finished.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

### Hot meals!

Hot meals will be returning to school after the Christmas break. The smell that came from our Christmas lunch on Wednesday was wonderful and made our mouths water. If you would like to order a Christmas lunch .....

<https://login.eduspot.co.uk/public/portal/parent/?app=schoolmoney&source=website&version=20190314>

### Dates for Your Diary:

December		May	
		3 <sup>rd</sup>	BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
17 <sup>th</sup>	END OF TERM 2	w.b. 10 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 SATS
January		28 <sup>th</sup>	END OF TERM 5
4 <sup>th</sup>	START OF TERM 3	June	
February		7 <sup>th</sup>	START OF TERM 6
12 <sup>th</sup>	END OF TERM 3	W.B 7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 phonics screen
22 <sup>nd</sup>	START OF TERM 4	July	
March		23 <sup>rd</sup>	END OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR
26 <sup>th</sup>	END OF TERM 4		
April			
12 <sup>th</sup>	START OF TERM 5		

## PFA news!

Wishing you a very merry Christmas from all of us on the PFA committee!

It was so lovely to see the children enjoying the panto this week and opening their PFA Christmas presents. It is with your continued support that we are able to spread a little bit of joy and we are looking forward to our fundraising plans in the new year! If you would like to get involved in 2021 or would like to know more about what we do, please get in touch :)

Our advent raffle winners this week were  
£50 cash prize - Stacey McGeorge  
£25 Freddie's Flowers voucher - Kiran Kaur  
£25 The Best Graze - Chris Turner  
COOP hamper - Paul McIlroy  
2020 Avon Essentials - Clive Shackleton

Keep watching our FB page for the live draws every day until Christmas Eve & we will be in touch if you are a winner!

Congratulations to Toni Cox who won £25.20 in the school lottery on Saturday! To support the school and buy your tickets go to  
<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/hawthorn-community-primary-school>

As always, to get involved or if you have any questions, you can reach us via

FB - Hawthorn Community Primary School PFA

IG - hawthorn.PFA Email - [pfahawthorn@gmail.com](mailto:pfahawthorn@gmail.com)

**From everyone in the school we would like to thank the members of the PFA for all their hard work fundraising in these tricky times.**

