

Highters Heath Community School

Newsletter

Friday 13th December 2024

Dates for your Diary

Twinkly Nativity Performance – Reception, Years 1 and 2 – Monday 16th December at 2.15pm and Tuesday 17th December at 9.15am

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Christmas Concert - Tuesday 17th December 2.30pm and Wednesday 18th December at 9.15am

Wednesday 18th December – Christmas Fayre at 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Thursday 19th December – Year 4 visit to the theatre

Friday 20th December – school closes for the Christmas holidays at the normal time of 3.15pm

Monday 6th January – Teacher Training Day

Tuesday 7th January – school open to pupils

Thursday 16th January – Year 3 and Year 5 Mini First Aid

Monday 20th January – Pupil Parliament visit to Turves Green

Message from the Headteacher

What a great way to end the week! Christmas Jumper Day and a lovely Christmas dinner. Thank you to everyone for taking part today. We have raised a grand total of £100 which will be sent to the Christmas Jumper charity – Save the Children.

Just a reminder that we still have time to receive donations for our Christmas Fayre on Wednesday 18th December (2.00pm – 4.00pm). Any teddies, hamper prizes or tombola items would be greatly received and of course all money raised will go to each year groups chosen charity.

As always if you have any questions or queries, please contact the school office using the enquiry email.

enquiry@hightersheath.excelsiormat.org

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Aulton

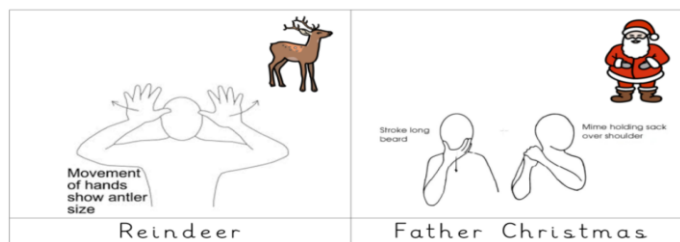
Year 3 Ancient Egyptian Workshop



On Tuesday Year 3 had an Ancient Egyptian Workshop. They had a fantastic day learning even more about Ancient Egypt. The morning was spent learning about the Gods, mummification, decoding hieroglyphs and drawing with reeds. During the afternoon they played an Ancient Egyptian game called Senet and did some archery. A wonderful day was had by all!

Makaton News

Makaton signs of the week.



So much is happening next week with performances and the Christmas Fayre, and so much learning still going on too. Have you booked your ticket to see our special visitor next Wednesday? See if you can learn these signs to share with him next week.

Spotlight on attendance



Punctuality is an important part of attendance and unfortunately, we have several families who are persistently late. This is often by only a few minutes, so if they left the house just 5 minutes earlier, they would be on time. There are several things you can do to try and avoid the rush in the morning and help you get out of the house in plenty of time to arrive at school on time.

Make sure everything you need for the next day is ready the night before:

- Sandwiches made
- PE kit ready
- School bag organised and ready
- Uniform laid out
- Shoes lined up by the front door.
- Try setting your alarm five minutes earlier to give you that extra bit of time to make it before the school gates close.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's attendance, please speak to Mrs Lindsay via the school office.

Celebration Assembly Award Winners

This week's winners are:

Reception	Harper and Jinni
Year 1	Saliha and Winner
Year 2	Ilyas and Winner
Year 3	Jacob and Abigael
Year 4	Romola and Hamza
Year 5	David and Winner
Year 6	Thomas and Winner

Congratulations to everyone who won a Headteachers Award this week.

House Points

Well done to everyone receiving house points this week. The winners are...

Apollo 4001	Mercury 4244	Neptune 3608	Pegasus 4239
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Well done to **Mercury** for achieving the most house points this week.

Attendance

Well done to everyone who has tried really hard with their attendance this week. As always, school attendance is important for your child, both in terms of their education as well as for their well-being and life opportunities.

Our attendance this week

Reception	80.1%
Year 1	95.1%
Year 2	95.4%
Year 3	93.8%
Year 4	95.4%
Year 5	98.1%
Year 6	97.1%
Whole School	93.8%

Please can you ensure your child attends every day where possible and is on time for school – doors close at 8.55am.

Hot Chocolate Friday Winners

Congratulations this week go to:

Reception	Khalid
Year 1	Thilak
Year 2	Luna
Year 3	Dolcie
Year 4	Kyreece
Year 5	Alfrick
Year 6	Hooriya

I look forward to meeting even more children who have gone above and beyond and have been nominated for this award.

