

'Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.'



HEYTESBURY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
13 December 2019



Dear Parents,

I am sure you would agree, the Christingle service last evening was beautiful and a great way to get us all into the Christmas frame of mind. Well done to the children and staff.

Some of Badgers Class were treated to a light afternoon tea following their performance at St Johns today. The residents love the children to visit and sing.

Its Christmas lunch and parties on Wednesday – your child can wear a Christmas jumper to school if he/she wishes – any hats, antlers etc should be kept in bags until lunchtime as the morning will operate as normal.

It's the Christmas Fayre on Saturday – we do hope you are able to come and bring your family, friends and neighbours. You may be able to pick up some Christmas gifts as well as join in some of the fun games and festivities.

Next Tuesday and Thursday are parents evening. Please sign up for an appointment or telephone the office to make an appointment.

Next Friday, you are welcome to join us for carols round the tree at 2.00pm – a light hearted end of term celebration. School will then close at 2.45.

Have a restful weekend.

Mrs Godfrey and Team

This week's Worship: Advent

"Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving others with God's own love and concern." Mother Teresa

We thought about the lighting of the second candle on the advent wreath as the preparations for Christmas continue. We also learned how Mary and Joseph had to travel to Bethlehem to pay their taxes. The children thought that parents do not have to pay tax anymore – it may be an idea to talk to your child about this.

Huge congratulations to our year 6s who won this week's Acorn Bee-Netball Tournament.

We were up against 7 other schools. The children won every match bar one to secure their place at the top of the table.



SCHOOL DIARY

December 13th – Deadline for 3rd instalment for PGL trip

December 14th School Christmas Bazaar

December 17th – Parents Evening

December 18th – Christmas lunch, (order before December 11th)

December 19th – Parents Evening

December 20th – **2.45pm End of Term.**

Carols round the Christmas Tree at 2pm

all welcome. **SCHOOL CLOSSES 2.45**

January 6th – Start of Term 3



THIS WEEKS ACHIEVEMENTS

EMERALD

Kai
Kaleb
Lottie
Kyle

RUBY

DIAMOND

Bronze Star

SILVER Star

DIAMOND = SOLVING PROBLEMS

SAPPHIRE = KEEPING FOCUS MONSTER DISTRACTION

EMERALD = RESILIENCE/PERSEVERANCE

RUBY = SUPPORTING OTHERS

Maths Passports

North America : Mexico – Arthur

North America : Canada – Hattie

Africa : South Africa – Louie

Australasia : Australia – Joshua

Africa : Kenya – Talia

Australasia : Papua New Guinea – Annie

Congratulations to Amelia and Evie this week for achieving several medals for swimming



KAI
MIA

Learning Corner

Badgers:

The children have been writing reports about the problems with plastic – we hope to send these reports home next week. We have also been making reindeer hot chocolate pouches to sell at the Christmas Fayre as well as practising for the Christingle service.

Foxes:

This week in Foxes the children have been writing letters to Father Christmas. Year 2 have really focused on including all the features of a letter including a greeting, closing farewell, questions and addresses. Year 3 have looked at the features of persuasive writing and used a few different sentence structures to persuade Father Christmas to bring them their wish lists.

In maths we have been looking at telling the time to 15 minutes. Year 3 have done this using a digital clock while year 2 have been using analogue clocks.

During our art lessons we have continued our work with pastels and are now ready to create a final piece next week.

Otters:

This week Otters class have been busy rehearsing for our Christingle service. We also made Christingles to take to the service. Ask your child about the significance of each part of their Christingle. In English EYFS are beginning to write sentences. Year 1 wrote parts of the Nativity story using and to join sentences or captions. In maths both groups have been solving problems. Year 1 were introduced to function machines and the EYFS had a problem involving containers, objects and numbers to 20. In the afternoons we have been using word and 2-simple software to create Christmas cards.