



# Hollybrook Infant School

## Newsletter - 20th November 2019

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am pleased to say that my operation was successful and I am now up to speed (well a hobble really at the moment!) Thank you to all the staff who have held the fort in both schools during my absence. I must say that it is beginning to feel a little strange as I enter into the final weeks of Headship - I know that it will leave a big hole for a while, although I won't miss the daily traffic on the A31! I know the Governors have sent out a letter about the interim Headteacher; we will be meeting shortly to ensure a smooth handover. I am hoping that she will have some availability to come and meet with staff and parents.

We are now gearing up towards Christmas and in both schools there is much talk about Christmas performances. This time of year is always manic with much going on at home and school, so please look out for emails, letters etc. so that you don't miss anything. The calendar is also updated on the websites and letters and newsletters are also uploaded so please check on them if you think you may have missed anything.

I look forward to seeing many of you over the coming weeks at the Christmas Fayre and other events.

Mrs Wood, Headteacher

### Dates for your Diary



Friday 29th November	Non school uniform day
Friday 29th November	PTA Christmas Fayre
Monday 2nd December	1.30pm, new Year R September 2020 parent show around
Tuesday 3rd December	Guildhall Concert
Monday 9th December	1.30pm, Christmas performance for siblings
Tuesday 10th December	9.15am, Christmas performance - no siblings
Wednesday 11th December	1.30pm, Christmas performance - no siblings
Thursday 12th December	9.15am, Christmas performance - no siblings
Friday 13th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 17th December	Christmas Shopping Day (letter to follow)
Thursday 19th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 20th December	Non school uniform day
Friday 20th December	3.00pm, break up for Christmas holidays

### Non-uniform day - Friday 29th November

The PTA are inviting all children to wear non-school uniform on Friday 29th November in exchange for a donation of cakes to be sold at the Christmas Fayre on the Friday afternoon. Please hand your cakes in to the class teacher upon arrival in the morning.

### Christmas Fayre

Please be reminded of our Christmas Fayre which is being held in the **Junior School** on Friday 29th November. There will be lots of stalls including Tombola, face painting and a raffle with fantastic prizes! We look forward to seeing you all there!!

### Christmas Performances

As you are aware from our recent letters, and no doubt your children, the Christmas performances here at school will soon be upon us. Please be reminded that tickets are **only** available upon returning the relevant form and **NOT** from the school office. Please do not hand forms back into the office - they are to be returned via your child's book bag and please also do not visit the office asking for tickets. They have not been printed yet so will not be available to collect. Tickets will be sent out via book bags sometime in the week beginning 2nd December.



### Children in Need

Thank you to all children who dressed in pyjamas recently for Children in Need - it was fantastic to see you all dressed up! We have now counted all your donations and we raised an amazing £161. Thank you so much for all your kind donations.



### Cash 4 Clothes

We are pleased to let you know that a total of £194.74 was raised through Cash 4 Clothes on 8th November.

Thank you to everyone who donated!

### Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 13th December

All children are invited to wear their Christmas jumpers on Friday 13th December, and non-school uniform in exchange for a voluntary donation in support of the national Save the Children charity.

If your child doesn't have a Christmas jumper, please don't feel the need to go and buy one. It is easy to decorate a plain jumper or wear something else Christmas themed.

### Party Clothes - Thursday 19th December

Children are invited to wear their party clothes or non-uniform on Thursday 19th December for our Christmas Party. Normal rules still apply to jewellery and sensible footwear should be worn - so no kitten heels please or shoes with slippery soles as the children will still be going outside at playtime. Thank you.



### Non School Uniform - Friday 20th December

As the children are wearing party clothes on the Thursday, we have taken the decision to allow children to wear non-school uniform on Friday 20th December as an end of term treat! As above, normal rules still apply to jewellery and sensible footwear should be worn - so no kitten heels please or shoes with slippery soles as the children will still be going outside at playtime. Thank you.

### Attendance

Week	Foxes	Hedgehogs	Squirrels	Rabbits	Badgers	Owls
21/10/19	96.2%	96.3%	95.7%	96.4%	93%	98%
4/11/19	93.4%	100%	97.9%	97.5%	97%	95.7%
11/11/19	95.4%	95.8%	99.1%	96.9%	95%	95%

Whole School	96.2%
Year To Date	96.6%