



HUNTER HALL

PREPARATORY & PRE-SCHOOL

Newsletter Number 14
Autumn Term, 16th December 2021



Dear Parents,

We've made it folks – it's week 14 and the end of term is nigh. The last week of any school term is frenetic, but Christmas adds an extra dimension all of its own! Whilst there is no better place to work than in a school at Christmas, the festivities can leave all of us a tad exhausted! That said, the children have had a grand time and since I wrote to you last week they have done: a reindeer run for the Jigsaw Children's Hospice which raised over £800, a pyjama night for our little ones, Christmas lunch and festive singing, and Christmas parties for both our lower school and EYFS, and our upper school pupils. Last night we had of course our carol concert – back in St Andrew's Church to the delight of all of us – a fitting setting for such a concert and I can imagine you are as proud as punch of your children for the job they did; from our readers to our instrumentalists, from our choir to each and every one of our pupils that took part in some way, we could not have asked more of them, nor a better way to end the term.



Congratulations to James and Hermione on their pen licences presented in assembly this morning and to Badgers who take the lead in the House challenge



cup for the first term of this year! Next term we welcome Mrs Hutt to the staff team, whilst Mrs Griffiths is temporarily out of action undergoing a hip replacement.

Enjoy your carols and festive mince pie and mulled wine in the fresh air this morning, there is much for you to digest in your mailing over the Christmas break, so pour yourself a drink, take a deep breath and relax; term is complete, and no more school runs for a while.



Have a lovely Christmas,

Mrs D Vinsome and all the staff team 😊



Sport

Please take note, there is a fixture on the first day back of term.

 HUNTER HALL PREPARATORY & PRE-SCHOOL	 HUNTER HALL PREPARATORY & PRE-SCHOOL
Match: U11 Netball v Giggleswick	Match: U11 (Boys) Hockey v Giggleswick
Venue: Giggleswick	Venue: Giggleswick
Date: Wednesday 5th January 2022 Leave 12.00 Start 1.45pm Return: 5.00pm	Date: Wednesday 5th January 2022 Leave 12.00 Start 1.45pm Return: 5.00pm
Additional Information: full maroon games kit, skort and white socks. Tracksuits required.	Additional Information: full maroon games kit. Tracksuits required. Gum shield and shin guards essential.
	School hockey sticks available to borrow, if needed.

Pre-School News

We have had an extremely fun filled last week of term!

Our week started off with us making the last preparations in pre- school for Santa coming, making sure all of our toys were in the correct place and we had all our Christmas crafts ready to take home.

We then created our own magical reindeer food and chocolate treats which we enjoyed in pre-school.

We have been having a chat about what we are all doing for Christmas, and who we are spending it with. it has been lovely hearing about all of their plans.



On Wednesday we had a fabulous Christmas party within lower school. We played pass the parcel, musical statues, musical bumps and corners. We then enjoyed our delicious party food. We were all very tired after this, so we watched a Christmas film and relaxed.

We have also been practising singing Christmas songs, such as; Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer and Santa Got Stuck Up the Chimney!

We would like to say a big Merry Christmas and we can't wait to hear about what Santa brings for you all!

Mrs Parker and Miss Graham

Parents' Group

Reindeer Run

This was a fabulous event and the children had a lot of fun whilst raising money for a good cause. Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the festive atmosphere on the day and those who kindly donated. We do not yet have a final tally but we have raised over £800 for Jigsaw. Thank you all so much.

Save the Date

We have booked a Hunter Hall Spring Ball for 12th March so put it in your diary. More details, including how to buy tickets, will be published after Christmas.

100 Club

Winners of today's 100 club are (which was drawn in assembly this morning) : 1st Prize The Hutts 2nd Prize The Ravens and 3rd Prize The Hoods.

Raffle

Thank you to all who contributed towards today's raffle, which was drawn in assembly this morning. We were able to raise over £300!

Our Raffle winners are:

1. Askham Hall Voucher – Miss Morrissey and Mr Lewis
2. Cheese and Wine Hamper- Mr and Mrs Holt-Stott
3. Handmade Christmas Angel – Miss Fawcett
4. Christmas Crackers – Ms Cartwright
5. Larch Cottage Nurseries Voucher – Mr and Mrs Dickinson
6. Bottle of Champagne – Mr and Mrs Meek
7. Homemade Christmas pudding - Mrs Vinsome
8. Booths Afternoon Tea Voucher – Mr and Mrs Knaggs
9. Chocolate Unicorn and Glitter Star Fairy Lights – Mr and Mrs Ford
10. M&S Beaulieu Hamper (Food and Wine) – Mr and Mrs Addis
11. Selection of 3 Wines – Mr and Mrs Goulding
12. Photography Session (Outdoor Family Session) – Mr and Mrs Kerr
13. Gingerbread House and Baking Kit – Mr and Mrs MacCrae-Kelly
14. Christmas Tree – Mr and Mrs Corbyn
15. Handmade Christmas Table Centre Piece – Mr and Mrs Carp
16. Luxury Biscuits – Mr and Mrs Raven

Thank you all so much for all your hard work and support this term. We have enjoyed some great social events whilst raising money, both for the school and for other causes. More updates next term on how this money is being spent. Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Sara Hutt

Hunter Hall Cookery Club-Spring Term

Friday 7th Jan – No Cookery

Fri 14th Jan – Year 5

Fri 21st Jan – Year 5

Fri 28th Jan – Year 6

Fri 4th Feb – Year 6

Fri 11th Feb – No Cookery

HALF TERM

Fri 25th Feb – Year 5

Fri 4th Mar – Year 5

Fri 11th Mar – Year 6

Fri 18th Mar – Year 6

Fri 25th Mar – No Cookery

Week ahead

Start of Spring term

Tuesday 04 January 2022 – Staff Training

Wednesday 05 January 2022

Ian Butterworth- Music

13:45 - 17:15 U11 Netball & U11 (Boys) Hockey @ Giggleswick

15:30 - 16:30 Upper School - Languages

15:30 - 16:30 Lower School – Street Dance

Thursday 06 January 2022

Barbara Gilbertson- Music

13:30 - 16.30 Outdoor Education Year 6 – 1.30-4.30

15:30 - 16:20 Upper School - Mindful Colouring

15:30 - 16:30 Lower School- Colouring

Friday 07 January 2022

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Garry Linsley - Music

Andrew Roze - Music

15:30 - 16:30 Upper School - Running

15:30 - 16:30 Lower School – Free Play

15:30 - 16:30 No Cookery Club