



Howden Church of England Infant School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well!

Firstly, thank you to Amy Kelly, our Chair of Governors, for representing our school at the Remembrance service on Sunday. Your commitment to our community is truly appreciated.

In our collective worship sessions, the children have started to observe the season of Advent through the inspiring stories of the Jesse Tree. This engaging activity not only enhances their understanding but also helps them grasp the significance of how Christians prepare for Christmas. It was so lovely to have Father James back in school to deliver this to our children.

It was wonderful to see such a fantastic turnout at parents' evening this week. Your participation means so much! Don't forget to check your emails for a Google feedback form; every completed form will enter you into a raffle to win a voucher to spend at The Kitchen. It's a lovely way to grab a bite while supporting our school.

Lastly, it was fantastic to see everyone showing their support for Children in Need on Friday by wearing something spotty. Together, we raised over £170, which is amazing! Thank you for your generosity and spirit in supporting this great cause.

Wishing you all a lovely week ahead!

Warm regards,
Chantelle Amorl
Headteacher

TREE TEAM POINTS			
Birch	Chestnut	Oak	Sycamore
			
103	212	240	170

VALUE CHAMPIONS OF THE WEEK	
 Curiosity 	Lucas - Squirrels
 Family 	Sophie - Hedgehogs
 Nurture 	Emily - Rabbits
 Respect 	Oliver - Foxes
 Joy 	Timofei - Badgers

CLASS STARS					
Badgers	Foxes	Hedgehogs	Rabbits	Owls	Squirrels
					
Hattie	Maisie	Emmeline	Oscar	Pippa	Acer

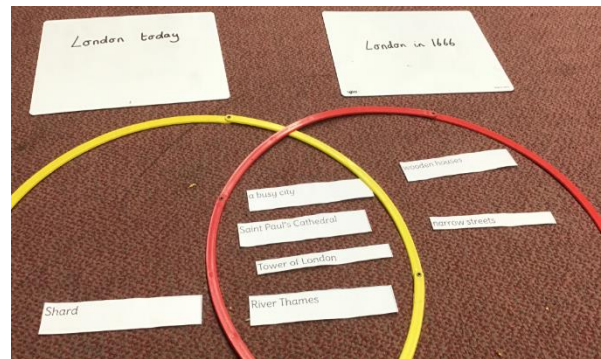
What's been happening....

FS2



- We have had a very busy week in FS2!
- The children have been investigating and talking about different sources of light.
- In letter formation, the children have been practising writing c, a and d. They have impressed the FS2 team with their hard work.
- In maths, we have continued to practise subitising skills.
- The children were very respectful during our remembrance time in class. They enjoyed painting poppies in the art area.
- The three little pigs have been building dens to stop the big bad wolf! The children loved our talk for writing hook. We are looking forward to teaching them the story next week!

Year 1



- Year One have had an amazing week!
- We observed our two minute silence this week in Worship, and thought carefully about showing our value of Respect.
- The children were eye-witness to a secret visitor this week in the Year One area! A very familiar character took something precious from them! Helping them to understand the importance of eye-witness accounts for historical events.
- As part of their Big Idea learning, the children have ordered a timeline of events for the Great Fire of London, and compared features of London in the past, to present day.
- Rabbits and Hedgehogs have been amazing in their computing, learning to log on Purple Mash, and begin to save their own work when completed.

Year 2



- In art, we created some wonderful poppy stones in preparation for remembrance and our walk to the war memorial.
- We spent Thursday morning involved in an online Micheal Rosen Poetry event, learning about his wonderful poetry.
- After learning about why we remember, why we wear poppies and what it was like in the trenches, we completed our work on the First World War with a visit to Howden's war memorial, where we discussed its purpose and said a prayer.



Thank you for helping
to raise over £170 for
Children In Need.

We had a brilliant turn
out at Parent's Evenings
this week. Please
complete our feedback
survey. Your thoughts
are very important to us
and you will also be put
into draw to win a £20
kitchen voucher:

https://forms.gle/WrKrk_dCG9SVzPaFD6

Closing date 21.11.25



HOWDEN CHURCH OF
ENGLAND INFANT SCHOOL

New Starter 2026

OPEN EVENING

MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

Join us for our FS2 open evening from
4-5pm. Have a chance to look around the
school, including the FS2 setting and meet
the FS2 team.

No need to book. Any queries please contact the school
office: 01430 430767 or email:
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Keys Dates Going Forward		
Celebration Assemblies	You will be informed by email if your child has been chosen to receive a certificate.	Fridays 0855
New Starter Open Evening	For children starting school September 2026	Monday 24 th November 4-5pm
Flu Vaccination Catch up	Contact the office if you need a consent form.	Friday 28 th November
Soup and Carols - Howden Minster	HIS Choir will perform	Timings TBC
Christmas Performances	Parents Invited - Details to follow	Monday 8 th December 2pm Monday 8 th December 4.30pm Tuesday 9 th December 9.30am
Christmas Service - Howden Minster	Parents Welcome	Thursday 11 th December 10.30am
Christmas Book Breakfast	Please ready your child's favorite Christmas/Winter story to read along with them. More details to follow.	Tuesday 16 th December 8am
Christmas Dinner	Lunch in School	Wednesday 17 th December
Christmas Jumper Day	Save The Children £1 Donations Welcome	Wednesday 17 th December

✿🧠 Design Our Community Readers Logo! 📖✨

For the *Community Readers – 2026 Year of Reading!*

Hey superstars of Howden Church of England Infant School!

We've got a **fun-tastic challenge** just for YOU!

Next year, we're launching a magical reading adventure called **Community Readers** – where amazing grown-ups from our community will visit our school every month to share their **favourite stories** with us. But wait... we need a **logo** to show off how awesome this project is – and we want one designed by **YOU!**

🧠 What should your logo show?

Let your imagination fly! Your design could include:

- Happy people reading together
- Colourful books and big smiles
- Our school and community
- Anything that shows how fun reading can be!
- The design should be 2D to allow it to be scanned.

✍️ How to enter:

- Draw your logo on paper or digitally
- Make it bright, bold, and book-tastic!
- Hand it in to your teacher by **Friday 28th November 2025**

🏆 What's the prize?

The winning logo will be used on posters, newsletters, and displays all year long! Plus, the winner will get a **special book-themed prize** and a big round of applause in assembly!

So grab your pencils, crayons, or tablets and get designing!

We can't wait to see your **brilliant bookish creations!**

Behaviour as a Form of Communication

This insightful session will explore how children's behaviour can reflect underlying needs, emotions, and communication styles. It's designed to support families in understanding and responding to behaviour in a constructive and empathetic way. It is free to book, just follow the link:

📅 **Date:** 17th November

🕒 **Time:** 9.30 - 11.30 am

📍 **Location:** Online (link provided below)

🔗 **Join here:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/behaviour-as-a-form-of-communication-parentcarer-online-workshop-tickets-1675008378149?aff=oddttdcreator>