



Howden Church of England Infant School

Newsletter 13 - 5th December 2025

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the festive season, I am delighted to share that our school is looking incredibly Christmassy with the wonderful decorations crafted by our talented children. Their creativity truly brings a warm and joyful atmosphere to our school.

I would also like to say how proud I was of our school choir, who performed beautifully at the Soup and Carols event held at Howden Minster. Their voices filled the space with holiday cheer and brought joy to our community.

Looking ahead, we are still collecting prizes for our Trug of Treats raffle, which will take place during our Book Breakfast on 16th December. Raffle tickets are just £1 each, so please remember to bring some change along. Refreshments will be available too. All proceeds will go directly towards supporting our school, and your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Chan Amor
Acting headteacher

TREE TEAM POINTS

Birch	Chestnut	Oak	Sycamore
			
183	122	101	97

VALUE CHAMPIONS OF THE WEEK

 Curiosity 	Esther - Squirrels
 Family 	Ted - Squirrels
 Nurture 	Bella - Hedgehogs
 Respect 	Oscar - Mrs McCarthy
 Joy 	Enzo - Rabbits

CLASS STARS

Badgers	Foxes	Hedgehogs	Rabbits	Owls	Squirrels
					
Archie	Pippa	Emily	Laila	Ezra	Ted

What's been happening....

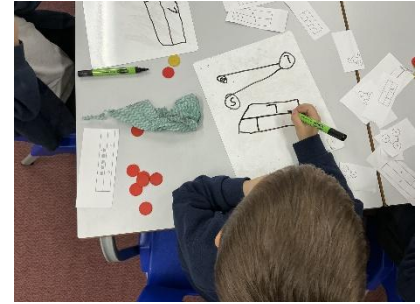
FS2



- We have had a wonderful festive week in FS2. The children enjoyed decorating our tree with their amazing baubles.

- In maths the children have enjoyed matching numerals to objects.
- In RE we have been learning about the three wisemen.
- It was wonderful to share our school nativity with HJS. Our Badgers and Foxes were incredible!

Year 1



- In writing, we've been busy learning our model text, learning and rehearsing actions to help us remember the key parts of the story.
- In PE this week the children have been focussing on their fitness skills, and displaying gymnastic routines on equipment.
- In Art the children have been creating relief printing tools using polystyrene and rollers.
- We have been growing the code this week in Phonics, reviewing our sounds so far.
- In Mastering Number, we have looked at the ways in which 8 can be composed of two different parts using practical resources, and pictorial methods.

- In RE we have been looking into the importance of the Shepherds arrival for the birth of Baby Jesus.

Year 2

- In year two we've been persevering. Learning our lines, when to use our props and when to come on and off stage. All with one third of year two absent.
- In maths, we've been applying our understanding of bonds of ten to add and subtract digit one to/from two digit numbers.
- In writing we've been learning our model text, learning actions to help us remember the key points of the story.
- In science, we've been learning about how the shape of materials can be altered using twisting, bending, squashing and stretching.



We are taking part in Dove House Hospice's Tinsel Tree Trot again this year. This will take place in school w/c 8th December. Sponsor forms should have come home. Completed forms along with any sponsor money should be returned to school no later than Monday 15th December.

NUT ALLERGIES

Please remember that we have children in school that have severe nut allergies.

We do not buy, serve or sell nuts in school and we ask parents to take extra care when choosing what food to send into school with their child.

Please ensure any chocolate spreads/pancakes etc are NUT FREE.

Thank you

Christmas Crib Service

Howden Minster

Thursday 11th December
10.30am

Parents Welcome



Keys Dates Going Forward		
Celebration Assemblies	You will be informed by email if your child has been chosen to receive a certificate.	Fridays 0855
Christmas Performances	You should now have your tickets.	Monday 8 th December 2pm Monday 8 th December 4.30pm Tuesday 9 th December 9.30am
Dove House Tinsel Trot	Forms coming home Today/Monday	w/c 8 th December
Christmas Service - Howden Minster	Parents Welcome	Thursday 11 th December 10.30am
Christmas Book Breakfast	Please bring 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



Saturday 13th December

10am - 11am: Quiet hour

On Saturday 13th December we are hosting a quiet session to provide an experience that aims to create a more comfortable visit for those with autism and other sensory requirements. (scan QR code for more information)

11am - 3pm: General opening

Last entry 2:30pm

Sunday 14th December

11am - 3pm: General opening

Last entry 2:30pm



Book your time slot
to meet Santa
Please scan QR code

One ticket
per person

Refreshments
Available (cash
donations to
Yorkshire Swan
Rescue Hospital)



Skylark Centre, Park Lane, Barlow, Selby YO8 6GX

**YORKSHIRE
EYEWEAR**

YORKSHIRE EYEWEAR'S CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

BOOK A CHILDREN'S EYE EXAMINATION
THIS DECEMBER AND YOU'LL BE
ENTERED AUTOMATICALLY INTO OUR
AMAZON GIFT CARD RAFFLE!

SCAN TO BOOK !

OFFER RUNS FROM 01/12/25 - 31/12/25. APPOINTMENT MUST BE A CHILDREN'S EYE EXAMINATION, AND MUST BE BOOKED FOR DECEMBER OR IN DECEMBER TO QUALIFY FOR THE RAFFLE. WINNERS WILL BE CONTACTED VIA EMAIL/TELEPHONE EARLY JANUARY.

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