



# Hill View Primary School

## Reach For The Stars.

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### HEAD TEACHER UPDATE

December is here and the Christmas trees are up and decorated. The children are busy learning their words and songs ready to share with you at the planned Christmas Celebrations. Below is a reminder of the dates and times of events.

Year R Nativity—13th/14th December at 9.15 am

Year 1/2 Festive singing Monday 18th at 3 pm on the playground.

Year 5/6 Carol Concert at St Thomas, Monday 18th December at 6pm.

Year 3/4 Carol Concert at St Thomas, Tuesday 19th December at 2 pm.

### Christmas Parties

Christmas parties and a visit from a very special visitor are all planned for the last three days of term. On the day of your child's Christmas Party they may come to school in party clothes, however they will be participating in normal school activities, so please make sure foot wear and dress is appropriate. We would like you to provide a snack party bag/box of food for your child to enjoy at the party. We suggest that the party bag/box include:

- A packet of crisps or something similar
- Savoury snack (sausage roll or dippers or mini sausages)
- Sweet snack (mince pie or a small cake or chocolate biscuit)
- Piece of fruit

Please remember not to include any nut products as we have a number of children with allergies. Your child will need to be provided with their normal lunch and water bottle on party days. The school will provide drinks for parties.

- Monday 18th December—YR, Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y4
- Tuesday 19th December—Y5 and Y6.

On the last day of term school will finish at the normal time. I am looking forward to a fun week and a half with the children, as it always is a very special, magical time of the year.

Mrs Jones  
Headteacher

### STORYTELLING REPLIES DUE 8/12/17

Please ensure you hand in your storytelling replies and payment today, otherwise the event may be cancelled.



## Coming Up...

### WEDNESDAY 13/12/17

YR Nativity at 9.15 am

### THURSDAY 14/12/17

YR Nativity at 9.15 am

### FRIDAY 15/12/17

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Christmas Lunch

PTFA Christmas Story time (YR)

### MONDAY 18/12/17

Y1/2 Festive Singing 3 pm

Christmas Parties for

Years R, 1, 2, 3 and 4

Y5/6 Christmas Carols at 6 pm

### TUESDAY 19/12/17

Y3/4 Christmas Carols at 2pm

Christmas Parties for

Years 5 and 6

### WEDNESDAY 20/12/17

Last Day of Term

04/01/2018—First Day of Term

## Attendance

Last week's attendance:

95.67%

**Best Reception Class:**

Donaldson (98.33%)

**Best Year 1/2 Class:**

Darling (98.33%)

**Best Year 3/4 Class:**

Ennis (100%)

**Best Year 5/6 Class:**

Churchill (98.89%)



## CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

On Friday 15th December the children may come in mufti and wear a Christmas or winter themed jumper for a donation towards Save The Children. Please do not feel that you need to purchase a special jumper - just get creative and get the children decorating their own with tinsel and baubles.

## 22 TWO LITTLE DUCKS

It was great to see so many families at the PTFA Chocolate Bingo evening. Before eyes down everyone enjoyed a fish and chip supper. There was a stunning amount of chocolate prizes for winning lines and a full house. A big thank you to Mr Joe Colegrove for acting as Bingo Caller on the evening and the PTFA members for helping organise the event. At the AGM, those present, celebrated another successful year. A big thank you to last years committee, who worked tirelessly to bring about some wonderful events, both fundraising and social. Thank you to Lisa Philogene-Jones As Chair, Danielle Jenkins as Vice Chair, Karin Mead as treasurer and Mrs Jo Smith for acting as secretary.



## NATIONAL YOUNG MATHEMATICIANS AWARD

Our Year 6 team represented the school in the second round of this year's National Young Mathematicians Award. They performed fantastically and came second over all of the schools that competed in Bournemouth this year.

The judges were very impressed with how the team performed, particularly with their ability to work as a team. They made sure they all shared their ideas and thoughts on the task by stopping and listening to each other. Their presentation and communication was clear throughout the tasks.

The team were excellent ambassadors for the school, in both their attitude and performance and can be really proud of themselves.

## YEAR 3—PLAY THE GAME

It has been a very busy and exciting half term in Year 3. The children have risen to the challenge of designing their own unique board games and look forward to sharing their outcome. As well as being designers, they have also investigated magnetism and worked collaboratively to devise their own investigations. Keep a look out, your child could soon be appearing on Dragon's Den.

## PTFA RAFFLE

Don't forget to buy your tickets for the PTFA Christmas Raffle. There are loads of amazing prizes to win including hampers, vouchers and chocolate! Tickets have already gone home in bookbags, and must be returned ready for the draw on the 18th December.

## COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to everybody who came and enjoyed our coffee morning. Special thanks to Natalie from Tesco's and to our amazing Mrs Ceka who shared her crafty ideas.



Our next coffee morning is Tuesday 9th January 9:00-10:15. We are going to be joined by a member of our school management team. They are coming to talk about all things educational. So please come and join us to ask questions and learn about the different programmes run in the school.

## CHRISTMAS POSTING

This year we have created a posting area, where children can post their Christmas cards. For this to work it is important that the children write their friends name and class or teacher onto the card so that it gets to the right person. The Christmas cards will then be delivered to the classes at set times through the week.

## NATIVITY PHOTOS

The nativity photos will be printed in the Bournemouth Echo on Thursday 14th December—Don't miss out!

## MAGICAL MOMENTS

Parents may take photographs of children at school performances to share with family, as these are special moments. We have a number of children, who for safeguarding reasons cannot be photographed. Please remember not to post pictures of other children on Social Media sites, I am trusting parents not to. Thank you for helping to keep all our children safe.

## THE BOY IN THE GIRLS BATHROOM

It was fabulous to see Year 5 confidently leading two assemblies to KS1 and KS2. They shared their knowledge of the different types of bullying and, through drama, addressed how to resolve difficult situations, in school.

The teaching staff were very impressed with how the children independently led the entire assembly. They engaged their different audiences and addressed any misunderstandings with superb positivity. The Year 5 teachers were very proud of the emotional intelligence shown throughout. Well done Year 5!



## HV Sports Award

Well done to Arthur Mantell for his great teamwork and listening in Badminton, and to Lara Kenchington for her amazing perseverance in all aspects of gymnastics.



## Reading Focus

### The Polar Express by Chris Van Allsburg | USA

Reading 'The Polar Express' before Christmas continues to be a magical festive tradition for many children. Yet alongside the beautifully illustrated pictures and the relaxed narrative style, the story carries a delicate poignancy and deeper meaning that similarly applies to adults. The novel follows a young boy, who on a snowy Christmas Eve, boards an enchanted train headed for the North Pole. Upon arrival, he meets Santa himself, who offers him any gift he desires. Receiving a bell from a reindeer that only true believers can hear, Chris Van Allsburg's tale explores the themes of trust and powerful imagination that are intertwined with the magical essence of Christmas.



## Wizards



Spencer Garwood (Year R)  
Luke Giles (Year R)  
Ellis Edwards (Year R)  
Enrique Hardy (Year 1)  
Harley Munday (Year 1)  
Alexa Willington (Year 2)  
Isabella Vordoagu (Year 2)  
Spencer Pengelly (Year 2)  
Finley Murray (Year 3)  
Jacob Ennis (Year 3)  
Tom Craig (Year 3)  
Alexander Bray (Year 4)  
Millie Martin-Williams (Year 4)  
Peyton Mitchell (Year 5)  
Ben Macnaughtan (Year 5)  
Megan Pedley (Year 5)  
Isaac Manning (Year 6)  
Connor Simpson (Year 6)



## Jigsaw

