

# The Hawksworth Herald

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#### **Star Pupils**

#### Class 1

Elsie W for trying so hard in everything she does and being a superstar in phonics. Ruby K for writing really good sentences about the Christmas Story in RE.

#### Class 2

Hannah M for great thinking skills and fantastic behaviour at all times. Maryam S for beautiful handwriting and presentation.

Class 3

Charlie A for outstanding English work and attitude to learning this week. Elliott P for excellent work In Perimeter and Area.

Class 4

Y5: Addie for showing a great understanding of fractions this week. Y6: Ryan for explaining his mathematical understanding in clear and concise detail.

#### **Class News**

Class 1

This week in RE we have been sequencing and writing about the Christmas story. We have begun practising our nativity performance, which we will be videoing to share with you all. It will be shorter than normal but still just as special. In maths, Year 1 have been using tens and ones and learning about place value. Reception have been counting up to 10 objects from a larger group, using 10 frames and making sets with numicon pieces. We have read the story, *Knights and Dragons Unite* and have been writing about what happens in the story.

#### Class 2

We have planned and written an imaginative story this week about their dragon, using noun phrases and conjunctions in their writing. The children had to tell their story orally before writing it down and then read it aloud once written to their partner, to help them check for errors. In Maths, we have been adding by crossing ten using apparatus to help us and drawing our working out visually. Our learning in RE has been about Incarnation and this week, we created freeze frames to show the shepherds visiting the stable, thinking about what they may have said when they arrived. It's been another busy week!

#### Class 3

This week thoroughly enjoyed the Road Safety day on Monday and were all sensible and attentive during the session, so a big well-done Class 3! In Literacy this week we have been learning about co-ordinating conjunctions and using FANBOYS to join two main clauses together. We been fortunate enough to have a new set of class Dictionaries and put these to use this week, researching the definition of all the new vocabulary we have learnt from our class book; Firework Maker's Daughter.

In Maths this week we have been furthering our work on Perimeter and Area, understanding units of measure and using our multiplication and addition skills to successfully complete the challenges. We then contextualised their learning in word challenges and investigations.

In Humanities we became archaeologists and discovered some Stone Age necklaces, exploring why Stone Age people wore such garments and even attempted making our own with natural resources.

In RE this week we used varying drama techniques to explore the story of Noah and the characters involved, learning parts from the bible to retell the story.

#### Class 4

This week Class 4 have been busy experimenting with solutions and identifying soluble and insoluble materials. We have also identified which changes are reversible and how we can separate the materials we have mixed together using sieves, filters and evaporation. In RE we thought of our own guidelines for living and even managed to find quotes from the Bible that linked with our ideas. During Literacy, we looked at how to use brackets for parenthesis and wrote instructions for how to escape impending doom (based on our book, 'Viking Boy'), implementing the imperative verbs we learn about last week. In Maths we revised converting improper fractions to mixed numbers and vice versa.

#### **Kestrels Before and After School Club News**

This week Kestrels has been turned into a *Winter Wonderland*. We have been making snowman masks using paper plates, cotton wool and adding different coloured hats and scarves. We have enjoyed winter colouring activities and found it very relaxing. Each evening we have been enjoying some great winter films. As next week is December we have been wondering if Elvis the Elf will return, to keep a close eye on us and hoping he will find us in our new classroom!



Two snow people in Kestrels

#### **House Points**

House	Total
Eagles	36
Falcons	38
Vultures	31
Condors	39

School Attendance (School target set by Leeds is 97%)

Class	%
Class 1	99.02
Class 2	98.99
Class 3	99.18
Class 4	99.21

## School and Community News Don't worry...

On Thursday Mrs Gallagher visited all classes to present each class with their own worry box and to announce the winners of the worry box poster design competition.

The worthy winners were: Class 1 - Holly M Class 2 - Hannah M Class 3 - Emily O Class 4 - Bronwyn M.

The winners were presented with a certificate and a notepad with their design on the front. Well done to all the children who entered the competition!



#### **Christmas events**

As you know the first sign of tinsel gets children excited and therefore, we have started Christmas earlier than normal. The children have all experienced a difficult time during the pandemic and have missed out on a lot of school activities over the last nine months, so everyone at Hawksworth wants to make this years' Christmas a special one.

This week Elf Hewitt and Elf Dowling were hard at work decorating the school to mark the start of the Christmas festivities and next week they will be placing the Nativity scene in the entrance hall. Chief Elf Metcalfe, has planned a range of activities for the children which will include a Christingle Service, the telling of the Christmas story, the celebration of the true meaning of Christmas and many more fun activities:

Date	Event
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2020	The Snow Queen online performance
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Leeds Christmas Concert sing-a-long
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Christingle service (in class bubbles)
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Christmas Jumper Day - supporting Save the Children charity.
	Forget wearing your uniform and wear a Christmas Jumper to school! (staff too)
w/b Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Christmas Class Parties (in bubbles)
	Class 1 Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December – pm (1 hr in the hall then swap)
	Class 2 Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December – pm (1 hr in the hall then swap)
	Class 3 Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December - pm (1 hr in the hall then swap)
	Class 4 Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December - pm (1 hr in the hall then swap)
16 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Rapunzel – The Lockdown Pantomime
Last week of term	Mr Emporium's Gift Shop – Christmas Performance
Date	Sports events
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Santa Dash – sporting event planned by Mr McGuire
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Inter Sports Day – in bubbles and Houses

Class 1's Nativity will go ahead but will be shorter in length than normal. The Nativity will be filmed and edited by Mrs Metcalfe and emailed to parents.

Classes 2, 3 and 4 will also be filmed singing their favourite Christmas carol/song. These videos will be uploaded to the school website for parents to view.

Christmas parties - due to Covid restrictions we ask parents to provide their child with a 'party food packup'.

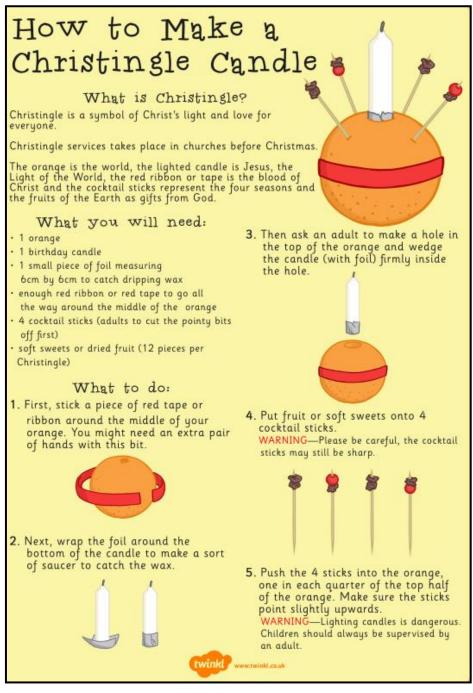
As a staff we have always been touched by parent's generosity at Christmas and staff have always appreciated your gifts. However, this Christmas I would ask parents not to send gifts into school due to Covid restrictions and our only wish is for all children, parents and staff to have a happy, safe and covid free Christmas.



#### Message from Mrs Metcalfe – Christingle Service

#### Dear Parents/Carers,

Father David will be holding a Christingle service on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December** for the children in their class bubbles via video call. Please can we ask that all children prepare and make their own Christingle to light in our collective worship on the 11<sup>th</sup> (All children will be supervised by staff at all times). Please bring to school by 10th December, thank you. Christingle Candle instructions are below:



#### Message from the Office

Booking forms for Kestrels are due back today. Please can you make sure they are sent over the weekend to secure a place for your child next term. Also, can we remind parents to pay any arrears for school dinners/Kestrels as Leeds City Council does not allow debt.

Friends of Hawksworth Notice – Christmas Cards / Gifts

Action required by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November

As you may be aware the children have all completed a Christmas design to be used on Christmas Cards / Gifts etc. Unfortunately, due to Covid the process has been more difficult than normal and we have experienced some issues.

Should you wish to receive your child's design and place any Christmas orders; please can you send an email to <u>Friendsofhawksworthschool@gmail.com</u> In the email please confirm your child(ren's) name and class number(s). Friends will then reply to your email with a scanned copy of the artwork and an order form.

Orders must be received by the end of the school day on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November to ensure we can place a bulk order; which avoids delivery charges for everyone. Payments are being requested to be made direct to the Friends of Hawksworth Bank Account.

Thank you. Friends of Hawksworth

#### **St Oswald's Church Services**

With the uncertainty surrounding Advent and Christmas I just want to inform you of what we are planning:

Advent Carol Service (Sunday 6pm) - because we will still be in lockdown this service will be live-streamed, with hymns and anthems pre-recorded by our choir.

Toy Service (Sunday 13th December 09.30am) - this is still planned to go ahead as an all-age service, with socially distanced congregation (including children) present, but with hymns sung by the choir. Please bring new and boxed toys to be distributed to Aireborough Children's Services and Safe Haven.

Nine Lessons & Carols (Sunday 20th December 6pm) - again this is planned to go ahead with socially distanced congregation present.

Christingle (Christmas Eve 6.30pm) - because of the need for separation and not to disappoint many, this event will be live streamed from St Oswald's. The component parts of the Christingle will be bagged and handed out on the weekend before, via St Oswald's Church. Donations to The Children's Society will also be collected then. The Christingles will be assembled as part of the service.

Midnight Mass (11.30pm) - planned to go ahead with socially distanced congregation present. Christmas Day - planned to go ahead with socially distanced congregations present. Two services, 08.00 and 09.30 In the event of further lockdown measures full streaming will take place.

Thank you and God bless you. Father David and the team.

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