



HILLINGDON NEWS



What a final week of the term it has been! As the Christmas break moves ever closer, we have taken time out to reflect on how lucky we are to be a part of such a fantastic community. We have been overwhelmed by the amount of parents, friends and family who have come along to support the Carol Concert, the Christmas Fayre and enter into the Christmas Decoration Competition. Children from across the school have been involved in the remainder of RE week and both children and staff are looking forward to showcasing the RE books at St John's Church over the Christmas break. We know the children have worked incredibly hard over this first term and are excited for a well-deserved break. We would like to wish all of our families a very happy and peaceful festive season and hope the New Year brings positivity and optimism. We look forward to welcoming you back in the New Year!

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Fun and Games at the Christmas Fair

It was fantastic to see such a huge range of creative goods on sale at the Christmas Fayre. Our hall was jam-packed with friends and family coming to enjoy the festive spirit, purchase gifts and maybe even indulge in a chocolate treat! We even had a special VIP guest...SANTA CLAUS! Lots of lucky children were able to visit him in his beautifully decked out grotto, both during the day and after school. Well done to all who were involved- it truly was a lovely event. Even better, we raised over a whopping £2000!



CHRISTMAS

FAIR



Festive Frenzy

Our once bare Christmas tree is now decked out to the max! Our children have certainly not disappointed and have entered into the Decoration Competition with real enthusiasm and creativity. There is a huge array of different styles, sizes and approaches... we can't wait to announce the winner next week! If you haven't brought yours in yet, there's still time!



Congratulations Mr James!

We are very proud of Mr James, who this week received his MA in Education. He has worked very hard over the past three years to complete the qualification and was thrilled not only to achieve his MA with merit, but also a Dean's prize award of innovative dissertation design. What a great role model for our children!



Look what we've been up to:

Nursery - This week has been extremely busy in nursery. On Monday we held our class parties: there was lots of dancing and games plus a visit from Boogie bear. We practised our singing all week and on Friday it was our Christmas song show. We were all stars.



Reception - This week has been very busy for everyone in Reception. We started making Christmas cards, then we got messy making snowmen with marshmallows for the Christmas Fayre. Did you see our stall? We even had time to practise our songs everyday for the shows on Friday and there is still one more to go on Monday! We have had such a great week!



Year 1 - have worked really hard on their shows this week. Everyone really enjoyed the performances and sang their hearts out! Well done Year 1.



Year 3 - It has been another hugely exciting week in Year 3! In literacy the children watched a video clip about a Bear who had never experienced Christmas. This brought up lots of interesting discussion linked to what we did in RE the previous week.

The children also made some fantastic sweets and biscuits to sell at the Christmas Fayre. These were a huge success and sold out in 30 minutes! Thank you to everyone who supported in making the Year 3 stall such a success!



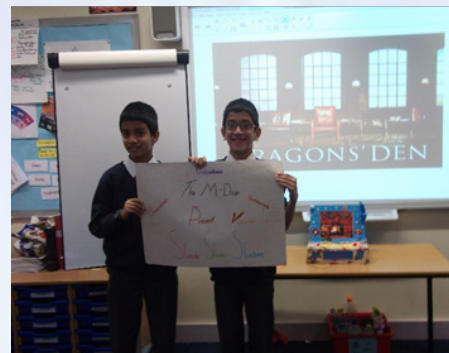
Year 6 - Year 6: Our Dragon's Den project came to a spectacular finale this week! Not only did the children produce incredibly creative and high quality games, they also presented them to the 'Dragons' in a very professional and entertaining manner which made it extremely difficult for the 'Dragons' to make a decision. The games were a roaring success at the Fayre and the sense of excitement in the crowd was really 'buzzing'! Thank you to everyone who donated sweets for our prizes and supported our stall. It was so delightful to see the children so enthused by the success of their projects. The winners for the year 6 star prizes from our buzzers games were:

- Josh CH - 60
- Dylan - 1K
- Nicole - 3D

There was a special treat in year 6 this week from the year 6 trumpet students who got us into the festive mood with a rendition of 'We Wish you a Merry Christmas'. It's always such a treat to

see the children's achievements in other areas outside the curriculum.

We have been putting the final, finishing touches to our RE work this week ready for display in St John's Church over Christmas. If you have time, do try to pop in and have a look; the children have produced some fantastic writing and art work.



Nelson Victorious in Football House Cup Tournament!

This week our PE team have worked extra hard to put on a special House Cup Competition during lunch times. Each day a different year group was involved, battling for victory for their house. Nelson came out as the winners, with a total of 26 points. Pankhurst came second with 25, third was Churchill with 24 and finally Brunell with 21. We were impressed by the sportsmanship shown after each game and by the children's maturity, as each team managed their own substitutions. We have followed the School's Markcompetition system, as part of our work towards the much coveted GOLD AWARD! Below are some pictures from the event:



Hillingdon Football House Cup				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Points, Goals, Cards
0 P vs N 2	2 P vs N 1	1 P vs N 0	0 P vs N 0	
0 C vs P 0	1 C vs P 0	0 C vs P 1	0 C vs P 0	N 7 6 6 7 26
0 B vs C 1	0 B vs C 0	0 B vs C 0	0 B vs C 0	C 7 6 5 6 24
0 N vs B 0	0 N vs B 0	1 N vs B 0	1 N vs B 0	P 5 6 9 5 25
1 P vs B 1	0 P vs B 0	1 P vs B 0	0 P vs B 1	B 5 6 4 6 21
0 C vs N 0	0 C vs N 2	1 C vs N 1	0 C vs N 0	



Our Rainbow Trust Superstar



We could not be prouder of Selina in 3P who was a guest of honour at a recent Rainbow Trust Carol Concert in London. In front of a huge audience Selina read out a poem. "I felt so excited to be standing up in front of everyone- It was amazing". She met lots of famous people at the event and has enjoyed telling her friends

at HPS all about it this week. Well done for being such a wonderful ambassador for the charity and for HPS- what an incredible role model! The event raised over £36,000 to help families caring for children with life threatening or terminal illnesses.

NSPCC Little Stars

An update about our fundraising efforts earlier in the term: Overall, we have raised a whopping £212.46 for the NSPCC, some of which has been donated to their festive Little Stars appeal. The money has been raised from some of Year 3's brilliant cake sale and also the selling of the Anti-Bullying ribbons (thank you, Year 6!).



Extra-Curricular Clubs

We will be sending out the new schedule for clubs starting after Christmas this week. One of the new clubs will be "Junior Game Creators", this is provided by an external company and will give our children a chance to develop their coding skills- what a great opportunity! Next term this will be open to Year 3 and 4, with Year 5 and 6 children hopefully having an opportunity later in the year. Keep your eyes peeled for more exciting clubs and activities coming soon.

Junior GAME CREATORS

Gamewagon invites you to join our special club.
Your mission is to create your very own video game!

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