



## Horndon on the Hill Church of England Primary School

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We are all part of God's family. Through trying our best in all that we do, we find a sense of belonging.  
1 Corinthians 12:27 'All of you together are Christ's body and each of you is a part of it'.

### NEWSLETTER

16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

The snow that fell at the beginning of the week is still very much with us and has meant that the children have not been able to go out on the playground at break and lunchtimes. Having said that, Monday afternoon, we took all the pupils in school out onto the playground where they had snowball fights and thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience of playing in the snow with their friends.



#### Nativity

Although we had to postpone the Nativity for our senior residents, Tuesday performance was enjoyed by all those who attended. The children were so confident and were eager to impress with their acting skills. The singing could be heard all round the school and I know that the re-scheduled performance held on Thursday afternoon confirmed that we have some amazing actors and singers in KS1.

#### News report



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## Church Production



KS2 enjoyed an afternoon at the church to watch a performance by the Complete Commedia Company Ltd. The children were treated to a very unusual and

artistic version of A Christmas Carol. They all thoroughly enjoyed it, as did the staff who accompanied the children. It was an amazing experience!



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## Parent and Child Wellbeing

We are aware that this time of year can be difficult for some children and also for adults. Here are some links to websites and resources that may be useful to you over the coming weeks. There are resources around self care, bereavement, resolving conflict and crisis support.

<https://www.annafreud.org/on-my-mind/afc-crisis-messenger/>

<https://uktraumacouncil.org/resource/traumatic-bereavement-guide-for-parents-carers>

<https://www.annafreud.org/parents-and-carers/in-conflict/>

<https://www.annafreud.org/parents-and-carers/self-care-for-parents-and-carers/>

<https://www.annafreud.org/on-my-mind/self-care/>

	<p><a href="#"><u>Self Care, Anxiety, Depression, Coping Strategies   On My Mind   Anna Freud Centre</u></a></p> <p>91 self-care strategies identified by young people with anxiety or depression to help other young people manage their mental health and wellbeing.</p> <p><a href="http://www.annafreud.org">www.annafreud.org</a></p>
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	<p><a href="#"><u>Self-care for parents and carers - Anna Freud Centre</u></a></p> <p>Give yourself permission. It is very easy, as a parent or carer, to prioritise the needs of your family and others ahead of your own wellbeing. But taking time for yourself is not selfish.</p> <p><a href="http://www.annafreud.org">www.annafreud.org</a></p>
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[Parents or Careers in Conflict | Resolving Parental Disputes | Anna Freud Centre](#)

Our clinical team at the Centre has put together some tips for parents and carers experiencing conflict, and advice on reducing the impact of conflict between parents and carers on children.

[www.annafreud.org](http://www.annafreud.org)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all, parents, pupils and friends of our school, for your continued support and to wish you and your loved ones a restful Christmas and a New Year of health and happiness.



Warmest regards

*D. Bradley*

**Mrs D Bradley**  
Head of School

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<b>Monday</b>	<b>Star Sports Football Club – all years until 4:30pm</b> <b>Contact Kev: 07976756259</b> <b>Junior Choir - Years 3 to 6 until 4pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Card Club currently Year 6 – Lunchtime</b> <b>WOW meetings – Lunchtime</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Chess Club Year 3 to 6 - Lunchtime</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Pottery Club – Years 3 and 4 until 4pm</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Star Sports Gymnastics Club all years 8am</b> <b>Contact Kev: 07976756259</b> <b>Football Club – Years 5 and 6 until 4:00pm</b>



**Head Teacher Awards:**  
**Franco, Phoebe, Elwyn**



Thank you for your positive comments which are uplifting for all members of staff.

## **PRAYER FOR THE WEEK**

**FATHER, I PRAY THAT YOU WILL TURN OUR HEARTS TOWARD YOU AS CHRISTMAS APPROACHES. LET US NOT GET CAUGHT UP IN THE HUSTLE AND BUSTLE OF THE SEASON THIS YEAR AND MISS THE CHANCE TO CELEBRATE THE GIFTS OF HOPE, PEACE, JOY, LOVE, THAT YOU SENT TO US ON THAT FIRST CHRISTMAS. THAT FIRST CHRISTMAS, YOU GAVE US THE GIFT OF HOPE WRAPPED IN**



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SWADDLING CLOTHES AND LAID IN A MANGER. THANK YOU, FATHER, FOR YOUR IMMEASURABLE GIFT. IN JESUS' PRECIOUS NAME, WE PRAY. AMEN



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### JANUARY

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – FOHS Parent Coffee Morning 9am  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – Swimming (Yrs 3 & 5)  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Year 2 SATs meeting

### FEBRUARY

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> - Parents workshop for Nursery and Reception 1:30pm – 3:00pm  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Ash Wednesday Service at Church

### MARCH

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> – World Book Day – details to follow  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Last swimming date Spring term  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> – Swimming permission/payment deadline (Yrs 3 & 4)

### APRIL

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> – Swimming (Yrs 3 & 4)

### MAY

8<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> – KS2 SATs  
15<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> – KS1 SATs  
22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Residential

### JUNE

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Sports Day  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> – Last swimming date Summer term

### JULY

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> – Production  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> – Production  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Leavers Service 11am  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Leavers Lunch  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> - Leavers Assembly  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> – Last day of School



### Upcoming Events

**FOHS Meeting – tbc**

**January 9<sup>th</sup> – Parent Coffee Morning 9am-10am**



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**Join us for a chat and support with school queries**



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## Class wish lists - November 2022

Class	Items requesting
Nursery	Top soil for planting in the lorry tyre
	Dwarf fruit tree and a dwarf evergreen tree
	A4 Card white or coloured
	Childrens brooms for the garden
	<a href="https://www.tts-group.co.uk/construction-loose-parts-outdoor-learning-collection/1022021.html">https://www.tts-group.co.uk/construction-loose-parts-outdoor-learning-collection/1022021.html</a>
	Garden seats/table for 2-4 year olds (used)
Reception	Top soil
	Giant connect 4/ big garden games
	Plastic or wooden musical instruments
	<a href="https://www.tts-group.co.uk/giant-outdoor-wooden-hollow-building-blocks/1004955.html?cgid=Early_Years-Outdoor-Outdoor_Construction">https://www.tts-group.co.uk/giant-outdoor-wooden-hollow-building-blocks/1004955.html?cgid=Early_Years-Outdoor-Outdoor_Construction</a>
	<a href="https://www.tts-group.co.uk/mini-shed/1017254.html">https://www.tts-group.co.uk/mini-shed/1017254.html</a>
	Board games suitable for 4 year olds.
Year 1	pencil pots for the desks
	counting/turn taking games
	numicon set
	pegs and peg boards, similar to this: <a href="https://www.hope-education.co.uk/product/curricular/mathematics/early-maths/pegboards-pack-of-5/he1569661">https://www.hope-education.co.uk/product/curricular/mathematics/early-maths/pegboards-pack-of-5/he1569661</a>
Year 2	Milk bottle lids, any colour.
	Cooking tongs, graters, mashers, aprons and peelers.
Year 3	30 x BiC green biro's
	5x Collins Thesaurus
	16 x How to wash a Woolly Mammoth by Michelle Robinson
	16 x How to Train a Dragon Cressida Cowell
	16x A Wildway Home Sophie Kirtley
Year 4	<del>30 charcoal pencils – something like these – <a href="https://www.amazon.co.uk/Chiltern-Arts-Charcoal-Pencils-Shades/dp/B07KR6KNBF/ref=sr_1_8?crid=2DYV08IIB8MT0&amp;keywords=charcoal+pencils&amp;qid=1668431366&amp;srefix=charcoal+pencils%2Caps%2C73&amp;sr=8_8">https://www.amazon.co.uk/Chiltern-Arts-Charcoal-Pencils-Shades/dp/B07KR6KNBF/ref=sr_1_8?crid=2DYV08IIB8MT0&amp;keywords=charcoal+pencils&amp;qid=1668431366&amp;srefix=charcoal+pencils%2Caps%2C73&amp;sr=8_8</a> Thank you Mr &amp; Mrs Reekie</del>
	Thick paint brushes (size 14) 4 packs <a href="https://www.bakerross.co.uk/short-handle-round-hog-brushes?refSrc=131157">https://www.bakerross.co.uk/short-handle-round-hog-brushes?refSrc=131157</a>
	<del>15 x Collins Thesaurus' Thank you Ms Dove &amp; Ms Webb</del>
	Oil Pastels 6 packs something like these <a href="https://www.bakerross.co.uk/oil-pastels-1">https://www.bakerross.co.uk/oil-pastels-1</a>



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	15 x The Wizards of Once by Cressida Cowell Thank you Ms Dove & Ms Webb
	15 x The Great Chocoplot by Chris Callaghan Thank you Ms Dove & Ms Webb
Year 5	15 x Cosmic by Frank Cottrell Boyce Thank you Ms Dove & Ms Webb
	15 x Who Let the Gods Out by Maz Evans Thank you Ms Dove & Ms Webb
	Globe - Something like this one <a href="https://www.amazon.co.uk/Exerz-20cm-Educational-Swivel-Globe/dp/B014TL44FM/ref=sr_1_5?crd=21S7WSCA2FE8U&amp;keywords=globe&amp;qid=1668427362&amp;srfix=globe%2Caps%2C88&amp;sr=8-5">https://www.amazon.co.uk/Exerz-20cm-Educational-Swivel-Globe/dp/B014TL44FM/ref=sr_1_5?crd=21S7WSCA2FE8U&amp;keywords=globe&amp;qid=1668427362&amp;srfix=globe%2Caps%2C88&amp;sr=8-5</a>
	15 x Soft pastel set - something like these <a href="https://www.amazon.co.uk/Work-Art-6715-Soft-Pastel/dp/B079L6WYVL/ref=sr_1_15?crd=1YQZ559E4AFQI&amp;keywords=pastels&amp;qid=1668431208&amp;srfix=pastels%2Caps%2C76&amp;sr=8-15">https://www.amazon.co.uk/Work-Art-6715-Soft-Pastel/dp/B079L6WYVL/ref=sr_1_15?crd=1YQZ559E4AFQI&amp;keywords=pastels&amp;qid=1668431208&amp;srfix=pastels%2Caps%2C76&amp;sr=8-15</a>
	5 x Drawing pencil set - Something like these <a href="https://www.amazon.co.uk/Professional-Drawing-Sketching-Pencil-Set/dp/B08BR4F81J/ref=sr_1_10?crd=5NBDU4TCRT2R&amp;keywords=Art+pencils&amp;qid=1668431285&amp;srfix=art+pencils%2Caps%2C73&amp;sr=8-10">https://www.amazon.co.uk/Professional-Drawing-Sketching-Pencil-Set/dp/B08BR4F81J/ref=sr_1_10?crd=5NBDU4TCRT2R&amp;keywords=Art+pencils&amp;qid=1668431285&amp;srfix=art+pencils%2Caps%2C73&amp;sr=8-10</a>
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Year 6	Pritt sticks- proper pritt sticks
	Water colour paints
	Cooking equipment: Measuring jugs, chopping boards, aprons, wooden spoons, measuring spoons, mixing bowls
	Felt tips- Beryl (preferably)
	Pen pot organisers
Gym trail/Other	Lego

