

# High Littleton Church of England Primary School

20th December 2019



"Valuing all God's children within an inclusive community."

### **Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas!**

Nativities: Last week saw Owl Class perform their nativity 'A Midwife Crisis' whilst Years 1 and 2 performed 'Lights, Camel, Action!'. Both nativities were performed to a very high standard. I'm sure that, if you were lucky enough to be in the audience, you would have been as pleased as I was to see the children giving it their all. Many thanks to all the parents and grandparents who took the time to thank the staff for all their hard work. The children were a credit to the school. Our KS2 Carol Concert was also a great success with another huge turnout of parents at Holy Trinity Church on Monday evening.

Awards: My congratulations go to Erin (Deer) who this afternoon was presented with my Headteacher Award, in recognition of her exemplary conduct in school as well as her hard work in class. I was also delighted to present the KS1 and KS2 Star Reader Awards.

Congratulations also go to Isabella and Daisy (Owls), Florey and Piper (Hedgehogs), Martha and Theo (Foxes), Poppy and Milo (Badgers), Charlie and Lauren (Otters) as well as Ben and Maya (Deer) who attended my termly Headteacher's Tea Party (see photo below).

Senior Citizens' Party: Last Friday, we welcomed members of the community to our school for the annual Senior Citizens' Party. We were pleased to see so many people and they commented how delighted they were to have been treated to a guided tour of the school by our Year 6 children. They were also treated to tea, coffee and a veritable array of mince pies. At the end of the afternoon, the Key Stage 2 children performed a number of carols.

Theatre Trips: On Tuesday morning, Key Stage 2 descended on The Egg Theatre in Bath for a performance of Rapunzel, whilst Key Stage 1 visited Bristol Old Vic on Thursday afternoon for a performance of 'Boing!' The children enjoyed both performances and their behaviour was a credit to the school.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers that have supported the school during this year. Your help and enthusiasm are greatly appreciated by the staff and children.

As Headteacher at High Littleton Church of England Primary School it continues to be a privilege to be in the company of such warm, friendly and happy children. I've got my fingers crossed that you and your families have a great Christmas and that Santa comes calling! To all my staff and governors, I would like to extend my thanks for all your hard work during this year your support is much appreciated! I would like to wish you and your families a very Happy Christmas and a healthy 2020. We look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Wednesday, 8th January 2020. Please note that Monday, 6th and Tuesday 7th January are both INSET days.



### Headteacher's Award

Many, many congratulations go to Erin who is the proud recipient of this term's Headteacher's Award. This award is in recognition of Erin's outstanding behaviour and attitude to all aspects of school life.



### **KS1 & KS2 Star Readers**

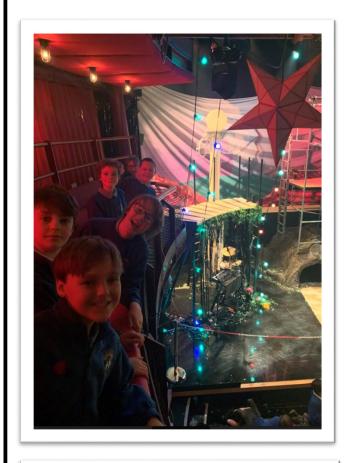
Our two Star Readers for this term. These awards are in recognition of the children's hard work both at home and at school to improve their reading.



# **Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumpers**



## Rapunzel









# Boing!



### **Nativities**

### PTA thanks...

Thank you to those who donated at the nativity performances. We raised £250 towards new books for your children to enjoy at school.

Also a big thank you to the PTA who have raised valuable funds by selling tea towels, Christmas trees and cards. A total of £1625 was raised at the PTA Christmas Fayre and that figure will rise once all monies has been collected for other items. We will confirm the final figure in the new year.





### **Breakfast Club Update**

Breakfast Club continues to thrive with up to 20 children attending daily.

Breakfast Club is available for all children who attend High Littleton Primary School and runs daily from 7.40am-8.40am. You can pre book for your child to attend and the daily cost is £4 which includes breakfast and a drink.

We kindly request that all children are booked via Parentpay at least 24 hours in advance, if your child needs to attend last minute, please contact the school office to inform them. With higher numbers, we need to monitor staffing and it is important that we know who is coming each day to ensure we prepare enough breakfast!

You are welcome to drop your child to Breakfast Club anytime between 7.40am and 8.40am, however please note we stop serving breakfast at 8.15am and if your child requires breakfast they will need to attend prior to 8.15am.









### **School Dinners**

Please can we remind you that dinners are £2.60 and need to be paid in <u>advance</u> via ParentPay. KS1 children are entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals.

Did you know that for all children in KS1 and KS2, if you receive any of the benefits listed below, you can also register with the Free School Meal Team?

Your registration could attract Pupil Premium funding for our school of £1,320.

Please contact the Free School Meals Team on 01225 394317 to check your eligibility. All that is needed is your National Insurance Number and date of birth.

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by
  - earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (WITHOUT Working Tax Credit) and have and annual household income (as assessed
  - by HMRC) below £16,190
- Working Tax Credit **Run-on** which is **only paid for 4 weeks** after you STOP qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- The Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit Support under PartV1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

### **School Meals**

You can now book meals for terms 3 and 4 via ParentPay. Please note the system is locked from midnight each Wednesday for the following week. If possible, we suggest booking all meals for the term over the Christmas break.

The system will be locked from Wednesday, 1st January for the first week of term so please ensure you have booked prior to that date for meals for the first week back.

### Clubs

Clubs for terms 3 and 4 are now available on ParentPay to give consent/make payment (where applicable). Please note, payment must be made no later than 10th January to secure your child's place on that club.

Once you have signed up for a club, there is an expectation that your child will attend every week. If your child is unable to attend due to family commitments, please ensure you inform the office on the morning of the club. Unfortunately, club numbers have reduced over the term and staff members have not been made aware that a child is not attending their club. Staff members give their time for free and want to ensure that it is viable to hold a club if there are a few children attending, thank you.

### **Attendance**

Please find below the current percentage attendance for each year group and class.

Reception	95.4%
Year 1	95.1%
Year 2	97.9%
Year 3	96.5%
Year 4	97.2%
Year 5	98.1%
Year 6	98.2%

Owl	94.5%
Hedgehog	96.4%
Fox	97.9%
Badger	96.7%
Otter	98%
Deer	98.2%

### **Parking**

If you use your car to transport your child to and from school, please could I ask you to be considerate of other road users and our neighbours during these times. As ever, our priority is the safety of the children. I would urge you therefore to be mindful of where you park at the start and the end of the school day.

Please could we also ask that children do not ride their scooters or run in and around the school cars in the car park for the children's own safety and to prevent further damage to staff vehicles.

Please check out the website. Click on the link below: www.highlittletonschool.com

You can also follow us on Instagram follow @high\_littleton for daily updates and pictures.



### **Dates for your Diaries 2019—2020**

Please click on the link below to take you to the 'Diary Dates' page and scroll down to see Club dates!

'Diary Dates/Clubs'

High Littleton Primary School is committed to working towards race equality, promoting positive approaches to difference and opposing all forms of racial prejudice and discrimination. Language or behaviour, which is racist or potentially damaging to any ethnic or racial group, is not tolerated and will always be challenged. We recognise that British society is made up of people from many different racial, cultural, linguistic and religious backgrounds and that all pupils must be fully prepared to live in such a diverse society.



# HIGH LITTLETON FC YOUTH FOOTBALL

# LITTLETON FC

# COME AND JOIN OUR UNDER 8'S TEAM

READY TO GO INTO UNDER 9'S TEAM STARTING SEPT 2020



UNDER 8'S SCHOOL YEAR 3
GOING INTO YEAR 4



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