



High Littleton Church of England Primary School 21st December 2018

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Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas!

Nativities: Last week saw Owl Class perform their nativity 'Hey Ewe' whilst Years 1 and 2 performed 'The Magical Christmas Jigsaw'. 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 Faith (Fox) 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 Isaac (Fox) and Toby (Badger) who received the KS1 and KS2 Star Reader Awards respectively.

Congratulations also go to Indie and Piper (Owls), Tilly and Noah (Hedgehogs), Owen and Evangeline (Foxes), Lauren and Guy (Badgers), Seb and Gemma (Otters) as well as Bethany and Ivan (Deer) who attended my termly Headteacher's Tea Party.

Christmas Fair: My grateful thanks go to the PTA for organising such a fantastic Christmas Fayre. The event was well-attended and the PTA were delighted to announce a profit of over £1000!



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.

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 2019. We look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Tuesday, 8th January 2019. Please note that Monday, 7th January is an INSET day.

Sports Hall Athletics



Last week, 18 budding athletes headed to Wellsway School for the Sports Hall Athletics competition. The children competed against seven other local schools in a mix of running races and field events. The running races were relays which varied between 2 x 1 laps sprints; 4x1 lap under/over relays and a 6 lap *paarlauf* which involves two competitors completing 6 laps in a combination of laps of their choice. As always, our children were determined and had lots of fun! Well done to the team who represented the school so well.

Gym Festival

On Monday 3rd December Hedgehog Class went to Norton Hill School for a gymnastics festival. The children all got the chance to practise a variety of different gym skills at different stations that were ran by the year 11 children. We played games, went on the springboard and even got to balance on the beam. The children loved it and it was such a great experience for them to get to explore a variety of gymnastics equipment.



Nativities



BBC Super Movers

A couple of weeks ago all of the children were introduced to BBC Super Movers. Super Movers aims to help teachers get their pupils moving throughout the day with lots of free, easy-to-use video resources. Active children do better and get more from their school day. Why not visit the website to try out some of the dances and activities during the holiday and your own free time.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sport/football/supermovers>



Headteacher's Award

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



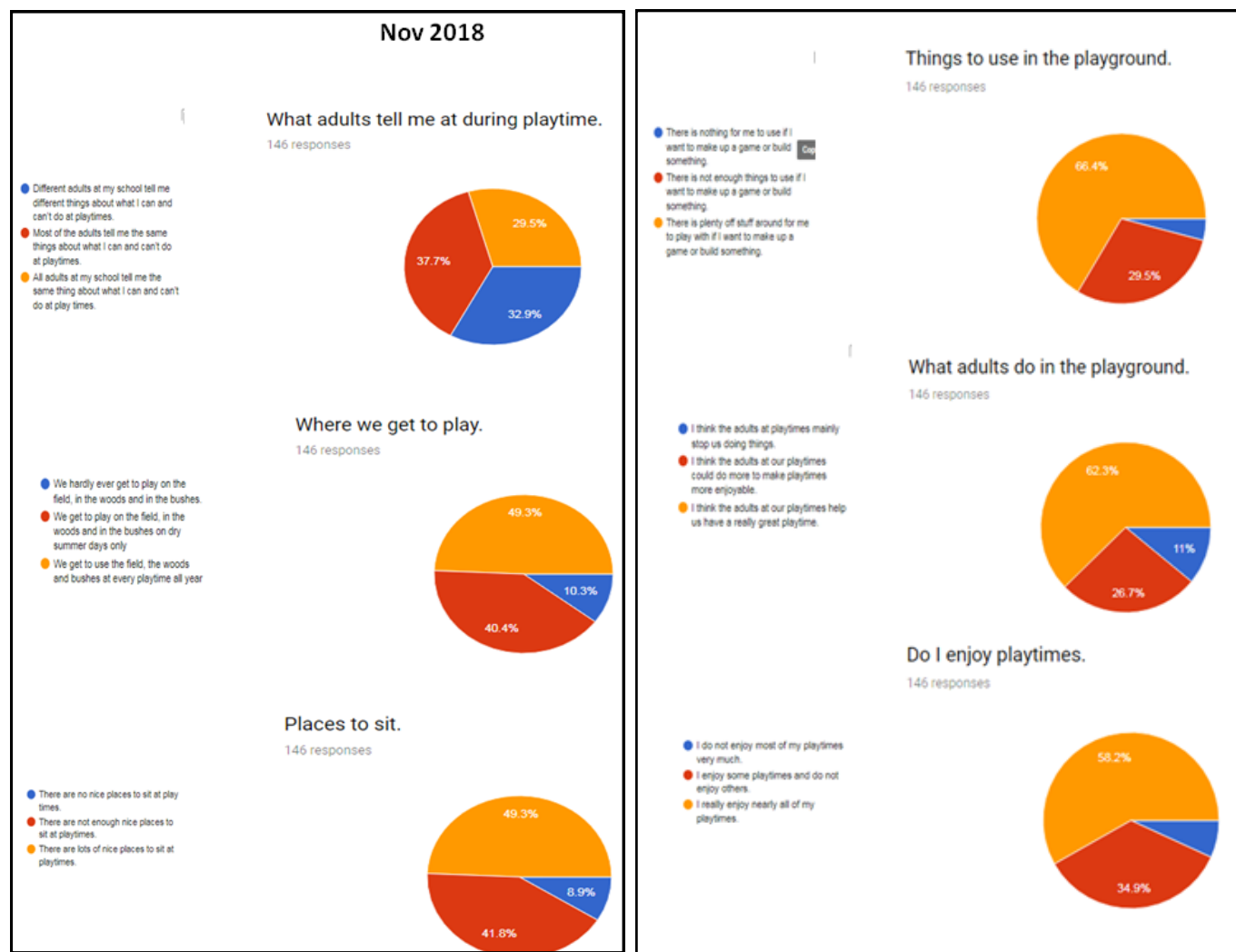
KS1 & KS2 Star Readers

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



OPAL Results and Feedback

Please find below the most recent OPAL survey that we have conducted with the children. As you can see, children are much more positive about their play experience at school. We recognise that there are still improvements to be made: more places to sit, consistency around messages from adults as well even more loose parts to play with. Mrs Rosie O'Rourke has been appointed as the school's Play Leader. She will coordinate more active and enjoyable lunchtimes for the children. Further to the feedback that we have received from parents, we have also introduced a **Stay and Play Club** which will take place on Tuesday afternoons. We are delighted that this club will be run by Mrs Obern and Mrs Bolton and that 36 children have signed up for Terms 3 and 4.



Thank You

During the recent nativities, we have been collecting your donations to send to **Crisis**. Crisis is a national charity for homeless people. They help people directly out of homelessness, and campaign for the changes needed to solve it altogether. We were delighted to receive an email, thanking us for raising £140. During the course of the academic year, we will continue to raise funds and awareness of homelessness and what we can do to help.



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Schools' Advent Carol Service

On behalf of our Church community, I wanted to say a big thank you to all those who took part in or who came to support the Benefice Schools' Advent Carol Service at Holy Trinity Church, Paulton.

The children's performance was wonderful and the singing was truly inspirational. (I wondered whether I could make the organ loud enough to be heard over the mass of voices as they sang out the traditional carols.)

We were very grateful for your kind donations at the end of the Service. Altogether £65:80 was collected and this will be shared between the organ restoration fund and Paulton Junior School's chosen charity, Paulton Hospital.

I'd like to wish you all a very happy New Year and hope to see you once again at next year's Benefice Schools' Carol Service.

With warmest wishes,

Kevin Burnett
(Organist: Holy Trinity Church, Paulton)

Christmas Dinner



Attendance

Class	Attendance
Owl Class	95%
Hedgehog Class	98%
Fox Class	99%
Badger Class	99%
Otter Class	98%
Deer Class	97%

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Dates for your Diaries 2018—2019

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

['Diary Dates/Clubs'](#)

Please check out the website. Click on the link below:-

www.highlittletonschool.com

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