



Newsletter
Autumn Term 2 – December 2019

Key Dates:

- **Friday 6th - Wednesday 11th December** – Half Price Book Fair in the hall from 3.00pm
- **Wednesday 11th December** – Christmas Dinners – Wear a Christmas jumper to school!
- **Thursday 12th December** – School Disco – organised by the FoHWPS
- **Tuesday 17th December** - School/Classes Christmas Fair - 3pm Rec – Y4 in classes; Y5 & Y6 in the hall with the Friends of Hester's Way Primary School (FoHWPS) raffle stall
- **Thursday 19th December** – Class Christmas parties ☺
- **Friday 20th December** – Last term of term – finish at 1.30pm

Christmas Celebrations....

Over the next couple of weeks, we will be building up to Christmas with our school events.

The Book Fair is being led by the FoHWPS in the hall, after school until Wednesday. There are some great books for Christmas presents. The school will get a chance to choose free books once we have received a given amount of money – thank you for supporting your child's reading and helping the school to get more books on our shelves, as well.



FoHWPS are selling **disco tickets**, in the hall after school, ready for Thursday. It is £1.50 per child and £3 for a family. A drink and snacks will be provided and children can bring £1 for a tuck shop. This will be great fun! Reception to **Year 3 3 - 4.30pm** then **Year 4 – Year 6 4.45- 6.15pm**. Please can children be collected and brought to the class doors on the playground to keep away from the car park for safety reasons. It will be dark so please take care!

Raffle tickets – are being sold by the FoHWPS and prizes can be won on Tuesday 17th December at the "Christmas Fair" organised by our pupils. £1 a strip of tickets.

In previous years, our school community have wanted a fair but with efforts on learning and performances, unfortunately this has not been possible. This year, the curriculum has been planned so that the children are designing and making final products to sell at their very own Christmas fair. Parents/carers are invited into Reception to Year 4 classrooms at 3pm to buy the final pieces and Year 5 and 6 will be in the hall, with FoHWPS raffle stall. We look forward to seeing you there! ☺

Christmas Dinner

Natalie and her new Kitchen Assistant, Mrs Rachael Clifford, are getting ready to present wonderful Christmas dinners to the children on Wednesday. Children can wear a Christmas jumper with their uniform, if they want. Also, as Reception parents have not experienced a dinner as yet, they will be coming in to eat with their children. Letters have been sent out about this. Later in the year, we will hold the popular "Ladies and Gents Day lunches", for other parents/carers to experience school dinners.



Christmas Parties

This year, as parents/carers have given so much to charities and other school events, Natalie is providing a "party" style lunch next Thursday. The children will then have their parties in class and can spend their time having fun and playing games. So you do not need to worry about providing any party food! Children can wear their party clothes or non-school uniform to school, on this day. Please be mindful that children will be going out to play, so shoes will need to be sensible, as well as party dresses not being too long, to prevent trips, slips and falls!

Once upon a time.....



Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended their child's History event this term. The children and teachers were really pleased that you could come in, so that the children could share and present what they have learnt. Positive comments were made about the new vocabulary that the children have learnt, facts and knowledge about the time in history that they were studying and that the children have worked really hard.

Website and emails

We are currently working on our new school website that will have class pages to share the curriculum and pupil outcomes. When we have launched the website with statutory information in place, we will ask for your comments and any other information or links that may be useful for you as parents/carers.

We hope to set up parent/carer emails in the New Year. This will lessen the amount of money that we spend on photocopying in school, as well as make communications easier.

Flu Immunisation

Thank you to parents/carers who gave permission for their child to have the vaccines. This is a service led by the NHS so they make the decisions as to whether a child can have the vaccine on the day due to permissions and health. Please see your child's GP if you need any further help with this. The link below is for general child vaccine details:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/>

Wishing you a peaceful Christmas!

From the Staff

