



High Littleton Church of England Primary School Friday 20th December

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Merry Christmas!

Goodbye: Saying goodbye is never easy. Today, it seems to be even more difficult as we bid a fond farewell to some truly wonderful colleagues who have helped make this school what it is. On behalf of everyone at High Littleton Church of England Primary School, my grateful thanks go to Mr Hayes for his hard work and dedication over the past few years in Deer Class. I hope that you take with you the experiences that you've received here with us as you begin your time at Norton Hill Primary School. Secondly, we bid adieu to Mrs Bolton, who, having worked here for 10 years, has contributed so much in terms of supporting children raising funds for the school and developing our outdoor provision. Nothing has been too much trouble for her and we will miss her energy and can-do attitude as she embarks on adventures new. Finally, on a personal note, it is with sadness that we also say Auf Wiedersehen to Mrs Platten. Whether you're a child, a parent, a governor or a member of staff, I know that Mrs Platten's presence at school will be sorely missed. Her willingness to go the extra mile has not gone unnoticed. I thank her from the bottom of my heart as she moves on to work at the Royal High School in Bath. Thank you to each one of you for your commitment to this school - we have been lucky to work alongside you.

It is equally as hard to say goodbye to any child who leaves us, and this is no different as we say farewell to Bertie as he begins his time at Peasedown St John Primary School. We wish Bertie and his family the very best of luck and we hope that you look back on your time at High Littleton with happiness.

Welcome: A very warm welcome to Summer who recently started in Hedgehog Class. We hope that your time with us at High Littleton is a happy one. From January, we welcome Mrs Danielle Smith who will become our newly-appointed Office Manager. I know that you will all join with me in wishing her every success in her new role and that you will do all you can to support her during the early days, weeks and months as she gets to grips with how we work as a school community. Also from January, we will be welcoming Mrs Lisa Kidd as our new teacher in Hedgehog Class.

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 £2000!



"Love each other as I have loved you." John 15:12

Merry Christmas

Headteacher's Tea Party: Congratulations go to Daisy and Marlo (Owls), Amelia and Florence (Hedgehogs), Elsie and Henry (Foxes), Jennifer and George (Badgers), Stig and Jonah (Otters), Ezra and Perrie (Robins) as well as Elsie and Hayden (Deer) who attended this terms Headteacher's Tea Party. This is in recognition of their impeccable behaviour and manners (see photo below).

Headteacher's Award: Many congratulations go to Molly W (Deer) who was, this afternoon, presented with my Headteacher's Award. This is recognition of her achievements at school and to recognise her outstanding behaviour and attitude towards learning.

Owl Nativity: Last week saw Owl Class perform their nativity which was 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 we were 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.

KS1 Performance: Another highlight this week, was the performance of both Hedgehogs and Foxes as they came together in fine voice to showcase their talents in a production of *The Inn Crowd*.

Theatre Trips: This week saw both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 embark on their annual trips to the theatre. Children in KS1 were given the opportunity to visit Bristol Old Vic Theatre for a fantastic performance of *Little Red*. Key Stage 2 were also lucky enough to visit The Tobacco Factory in Bristol for a wonderful performance of *Hansel and Gretel*. Thank you to Mr Gunning for organising both visits.

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, children from each class performed a number of carols.

Breakfast Club: Following on from the success of our after school club led by Progressive Kids, we are delighted that they will also be running our Breakfast Club from January. If you would like to book, please visit <https://progressive-sports-bath.classforkids.io/camp/112>

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 2025. We look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Tuesday, 7th January.



Mr Griffith

Star Readers

Congratulations to Aurora (Hedgehog) and William (Otter) who are the recipients of the KS1 and KS2 Star Reader Awards. These awards are in recognition of the children's hard work both at home and at school to improve their reading.



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Christmas at High Littleton



OPAL



High Littleton are so proud of our Wonderful OPAL playtimes! We have 12 fabulous OPAL Rangers who have become such wonderful leaders - setting up fun circuits with our loose parts and helping children have fun in our lovely playground.

Playtimes create the most amazing memories for children. Our children enjoy a giant sandpit, a wonderful stage with 'hot air balloon' curtains, a quieter sensory zone, mud kitchens, loose parts, tree climbing, oodles of dressing up.....

We have built some great ties with local companies such as Wickes and A J Champions, and Cameron Balloons - all of whom have provided us with resources for projects, and we say a big thank you to them for their help.

Our recent projects have included building a new early years continuous play area, building a new shelter to provide cover from the elements and the creation of a new sensory area - which the entire school has been a part of! Shifting 15 tonnes of stones is no walk in the park - but as a team - we made light work of it and enjoyed the sense of accomplishment that came with it!

Thank you to everyone who has donated resources for our playtimes to make them so enjoyable.

A great big thank you to everyone who has donated to our OPAL scheme. We will share a new list of 'wanted' items with you next term and we would welcome any scooters donations, if you are replacing any this Christmas!

A big thank you for your support.



PTA

The PTA would like to say a huge thank you to every one who helped to make the Christmas events happen. Without the support from parents and the community, these events would not have been as successful and we are so very grateful.

The school would also like to extend our thanks to our wonderful PTA, who have worked tirelessly throughout the term to add to the memorable primary experience for our children. The funds raised have supported with many trips this year, as well as purchasing an amazing range of books for all children to enjoy.

We hope you all have a well deserved break.

If you would like to help support the PTA with future events, you can get involved in many ways—please contact highlittletonpta@gmail.com

All profits are approx:
Wreath Making workshop £272
Christmas tree sales £163
Discos £560
Movie night £245
Christmas Fayre: £2008.63
Grand Total £3338



Attendance

Please see below attendance for each class from September to today:

Owl	97.7%
Hedgehog	95.9%
Fox	97.3%
Badger	97.1%
Otter	98.2%
Robins	96.7%
Deer	97.2%
Total	97.1%



Please check out the website - Click on the [link](#).

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Dates for your Diaries 2024-2025

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.