



Hickling Church of England V.C. Infant School

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NEWSLETTER

Thursday 23rd November 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Last week our federation schools joined in anti-bullying week and continued to look at our value this half term of friendship. The children have offered such thoughtful ideas on how they show friendship in school and what it means to be a true friend.

We ended the week by supporting Children in Need, with our schools raising money in different ways: talent shows, a Pudsey cake raffle, wearing pyjamas to school or decorated in spots! A huge thank you to each and every family who helped us to support such a wonderful cause.

Miss Wones & Ms Nutbeam

Advent

On Monday we will be lighting our first advent candle in assembly. This will signify the start of the run up to Christmas. We have decided this year to do a Reverse Advent Calendar. Each child has been given a date and asked to bring in a non-perishable item of food to put in our hamper. These items will then be taken to a local food bank to make someone's Christmas brighter. If you forget your day – don't panic! Miss Arnold has a list on her board.

The Tiger that Came to Tea

On Friday the 1st we are having our annual Christmas trip to the Theatre. We will be out of school for the morning, returning in time for a slightly later lunch than usual. For this trip we will wear our normal school uniform as there will be lots of other schools there!

Children in Need

Thank you so much for everyone who contributed to Children in Need. We put the cake raffle proceeds that day towards the charity also and we managed to raise £30.55. We also really enjoyed the Spotacular Talent Show that some children performed in. We hope that you enjoyed it too!

PartyLite Fundraiser

Ashleigh Jackson (Celene's mum) is very kindly hosting a PartyLite fundraiser on **Monday 27th November at 2:15pm** in the school hall. There will be a range of fragrances, candles and melts for sale along with candle holders. Some of the profit from this will be kindly donated to the school fund so...come along and purchase some Christmas presents whilst making a difference to your school. PS - tell your friends!

Federation Day

On Monday 4th December we will be having a whole school federation day at Catfield Primary School. The theme of the day will be Advent. We will be doing lots of activities and are excited to have Premier Performing Arts there to do dance sessions with the children.

The Pre-School will also be going to Catfield on Monday 4th December on their own mini federation day to the Catfield Pre-School along with Zara and Gemma.

Home packed lunches for all will be required that day as we can't pre-order the day before (Sunday).

Forest School Request...

Please can everyone start collecting empty margarine tubs so we can make festive table decorations to sell at the Christmas Fayre! Many Thanks.

Christmas Fayre

The sign up list is now up for the Christmas Fayre on Monday 18th December at 2pm. Please feel free to sign up if you would like to man/have your own stall. Alternatively you can come along on the day, have fun and bring along your spare change! Your help and ongoing support is always appreciated.

We have put two boxes in the entrance for donations to Tombola and Raffle. If you have anything at home or see anything suitable please bring them in. We are also going to have a 'pre-loved' teddy stall and book stall so if you have anything you would like to part with, send them our way!

Pantomime – Beauty and the Beast

On Monday 11th December in the afternoon we are going to Catfield School to see the pantomime - Beauty and the Beast. You do not need to do anything for this – we just wanted to let you know we were going!

The Pre-School will also be joining the main school for this trip. Any questions please speak to Zara and Gemma.

Christmas Crafts – LINKS

On Friday the 8th December from 1:30pm we are going to have a Christmas Crafts LINKS afternoon in conjunction with the churches in the village. As well as the normal teachers there will be other members of the community with Christmas crafts for you to make with your child. We hope this will be a lovely community based experience! All welcome as usual. Letters to follow...

Nativity

On Wednesday 13th December at 10am we will be doing our Nativity 'It's a Cracker' down at the church in the village. The Pre-School will also be singing a song before and during the play. Most costumers will be sorted 'in house', however there are a few people we have asked to provide some normal clothes for their character.

If you would like to know more about the Nativity – please just ask!

Christmas Jumper Day

On the last day of school, Tuesday 19th December we are going to go around the village singing!! We are going to go to Hickling House and sing some songs for them. We are also going to go to Lunch club at the chapel and perform for them too. We hope to spread Christmas cheer and smiles at this festive time of year.

Last Day Party Lunch

On the last day we are going to have our annual Christmas Party lunch. School will be providing pizzas and we will put up a list of food we would love donations of. Last year we had quite a lot left over so this year the list might be a bit smaller!!

Date	Catfield	Hickling	Sutton
13/11		Anti-Bullying week	
17/11		Children in need – Pudsey Picnic Party & Talent Show	
23/11		Marble Jar Treat – NCFC and Gravity	
27/11		PartyLite Christmas Fundraiser 2:15pm	
1/12	Christmas Crafts after assembly	Theatre Trip – Norwich Playhouse	
4/12		Federation day – Advent	
8/12		Christmas Crafts LINKS	
11/12	Federation Pantomime – Beauty and the Beast at Catfield School		
13/12	EYFS/KS1 Nativity - pm	Nativity 10am in the church	1:30 - Nativity
14/12	Flu Vaccinations	Flu Vaccinations	
15/12	Christmas Lunch – all settings		
18/12	KS2 – carol service, church 6pm	Christmas Fayre - pm	Christmas fair - pm
19/12	Christmas jumper day School Breaks up	Christmas Jumper Day Singing around the village School Breaks Up	End of term Church Service Christmas jumper day School Breaks up