

Hollywood News - December



A Big Festive Thank you ...

To the Parent Council for the £153 donation to fully meet the cost of the Movie lunch and the Buffet lunch which we are having in school next week. Brilliant! Thank you!

Staff Gifts



Thank you to the parent(s) who got in touch asking about giving gifts to staff to say thank you at the end of term. What a kind thought and we very much appreciate your kindness. We ask that you don't send in anything and are happy for your kind words or a small donation to a local charity.

Staying safe and well is our priority.

Foodbank

At this time of year, we are usually putting together hampers to raffle at our school shows. These hampers are made up from your kind donations of food and essentials.

This year we are asking if you would be kind enough to make a donation for the local food bank. This would help to support local families over the Christmas period.

Please see the list of items the food bank needs to support families, if you can help by donating an item, we would be most grateful.

Joe and his mum have offered to take all the items up to the food bank at the end of next week.

We will place boxes at the front of the school and ensure that they are stored out of the building until they are delivered.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Staffing Update

As you know Miss Brockie-Donald finishes up at Hollywood a week on Friday, we have a few surprises up our sleeves to make sure we all get to celebrate her time at Hollywood.

Mrs Armstrong will be coming in to work with P4/5 at the start of next term, she will be with us until the teaching post is filled with the preferred candidate. We will be interviewing for the vacancy in the middle of January.

Mrs Fraser joined us after the October break as an ASL assistant supporting learners across the school - she tells me that she went to school with a number of our parents and is looking forward to catching up with some of you!

Mrs Jardine has been working with us on a Wednesday as part of COVID recovery and to develop our Year of Reading. She will be continuing this work next term too.

Our Recovery

We are two terms in to our return to school and we couldn't have done it without you.

On behalf of the staff team I would like to pass on our thanks for the positive support we receive from you at the front gate and through e-mails and texts. It is very much appreciated. The way everyone has supported by complying with the Covid rules has meant that we have all been safe and well...And in school! Thank you!

Pupils have settled in very well to being back in school. They are all working very hard. Behaviour is settled and pupils are being thoughtful and respectful to each other and to staff. There is a real air of calm about the school despite the need for wiping, sanitising and distancing.

We do miss our whole school events and by this point we would have had a coffee, a lunch, a concert, a target setting, a table top sale, a celebration of learning (or 2) and a Christmas lunch. These events are only paused—having our parents into school is an important part of our positive relationships and are what make Team Hollywood. We will be back and there will be cake!!



School Photos

You should be emailed jpeg school photos of your child / children early next week. I hope you like them—I have to confess this was my first step into the world of portrait photography. Much room for improvement but we had fun and it turns out everyday is a learning day!

Just to clarify these are the formal photos and we will take some informal photos next term, the weather was against us last week.

The photos have been sized so that they can be printed out (A4 being the largest) to a high quality.



Let us know what you think, as we will be looking at how to take this forward next session.

School Reports

Staff have completed Interim Reports and they will be emailed out to parents next week. Interim reports are short reports which inform about effort and progress across all the curricular areas taught so far this session. They include a general statement about success and next steps. A paper copy can be provided—simply contact the school office.

Reminder

This CHRISTMAS at Hollywood



Things have to look a bit different this year to keep everyone safe. But we hope to be back to Hollywood Normal next session!!

School Show—there will not be a school show this Christmas.

We have decided to put a Summer show in the diary instead. We hope that we will be able to invite parents and family members to outdoor performances...And that we will be allowed to sing in school by then.

Big Thursday—pupils have decided that Big Thursday will run until the end of term with the last one being a Big Thursday Mix up.

Week Beginning 30th November: We will be putting the tree up, everyone in school will design and make a bauble for the tree. P6/7 are leading a Baubles for Care Homes Project (more information to follow).

Week Beginning 7th December: Christmas Craft Week

Week Beginning 14th December:

Monday - Christmas Dinner Preparations and Christmas Dinner Table challenge preparations

Tuesday - Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day!

Wednesday - Christmas Movie Afternoon. Movie Lunch - Hotdog/ burger and ice-cream (paid by the school)

Thursday - Big Thursday Mix Up

Friday - Parties! Pre-order Buffet Lunch (served on individual plates and paid for by the school). Pupils can attend school in their party clothes. Please make sure pupils have footwear for break time and a jacket (please note: we will not be visiting the woodland or the Swamp on this Friday).

The Eco Group have been asked to design an eco-friendly Christmas cracker for all the pupils and staff. We will be asking the Parent Council if they can help out with desserts and with the party buffet costs instead.

New to Wednesday!

Winter woodland walk and Big Break. Waterproofs and wellies needed!

Hang in there...

Stay safe and well!



School meal menu for the last week of term 2020.



Monday 14 th December	Meatballs and spaghetti <i>or</i> Vegetable stir fry & Banana and toffee muffin
Tuesday 15 th December	Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 16 th December	Movie Lunch Hotdogs <i>or</i> Burgers & Ice Cream <i>(School are paying - no packed lunch needed)</i>
Thursday 17 th December	Fish and chips <i>or</i> Macaroni & Yoghurt / fruit pot
Friday 18 th December	Buffet Lunch <i>(Parent council are paying for this - no packed lunch needed)</i>

The Christmas holiday starts from 3pm on Friday 18th December 2020. (No Football training on the 18th!)

Pupils return to school 9am on Wednesday 6th January 2021.

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