

HAYFIELD LANE PRIMARY



Christmas 2024

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Christmas in school is the most wonderful time of the year as we enjoy the full excitement of seasonal awe and wonder with our children. It is also fabulous to see our many parents at the super events that we hold in December. Recently, our children have enjoyed watching panto (Snow White), a bustling, festive FOHL Christmas Fayre, a magical fairground day (with Helter Skelter), Christmas pocket money shop, Reception visit to Sundown Adventure, Mr Henfield's panto, visit to Santa, parties and a super Christmas dinner. We just LOVE CHRISTMAS at Hayfield Lane!

As a school, we have also been driving educational improvements both in the school and beyond. Myself and Mr Pell-Culshaw have been busy presenting to educational professionals and business partners about our national trial work on innovative school curriculums and assessment formats. Mr Wilson has also been running maths programmes for teachers in South Yorkshire as part of his Maths Hub work and it has been wonderful to share the talents of our children with other schools. Only the very best is good enough for our children! Governors have also been working hard behind the scenes to ensure that the school goes from strength to strength. Mrs Harris has completed her training to support families at Early Help level so that we are able to widen our pastoral care offer even further in January 2025. She is also running Family Thrive sessions to support parents. This has been enhanced by our With Me In Mind team who work with school to further develop our mental health offer.

We send huge congratulations to Miss Ford, who recently welcomed her new baby boy Charlie into the world. We can't wait to meet him and send our love to her and her family.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our families for your support and generosity in 2024 and we look forward to 2025 being an excellent one filled with good health and exciting learning experiences for our children so that they can continue to excel in the best way possible.

Have a wonderful Christmas, filled with festive memories to cherish. Kind regards Mrs Tempest

TRIP TO SEE SANTA

Our Reception children had a wonderful time on Monday visiting SUNDOWN ADVENTURE. This is a trip that the Early Years team have been running for years as it is so perfect and very safe for our youngest children. It is one of our favourites! Everyone got into the spirit of Christmas, enjoying the fairground rides and then meeting the main man himself..... SANTA! A HUGE THANK YOU to all of the helpers who came on the visit. We are so grateful. The children had a marvellous time and I am sure that they will remember this visit fond-



ALL THE FUN OF THE FESTIVE FAIR !

What a fantastic sight it was to see the excitement on the faces of our children as they arrived for school on Tuesday. The playground was absolutely magical ! Each year group spent time on the fairground, getting unlimited rides, free of charge. Some even braved our MASSIVE HELTER SKELTER! They are much braver than I am. Shrieks of laughter could be heard resounding around the playground. We then opened it up after school for our community to enjoy. Such a wonderful time was had by all ! This event was paid for by the school itself, not FOHL, as a treat for our children. HUGE THANKS TO MR FULLER AND MRS WILSON who ensured it ran to perfection !

**OUR STAFF TEAM AND GOVERNING BODY WISH YOU ALL A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS 2024.
MAY IT BE FILLED WITH CHRISTMAS MAGIC ! WE THANK YOU SINCERELY FOR ALL YOUR
SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.**



WIZARD OF HAYFIELD LANE

Huge congratulations to Mr Henfield and his drama team who were wonderful in their Christmas panto, which Mr Henfield had penned himself. You were all incredible ! It was interesting to see how he incorporated members of staff as characters ! I shall be having words later !!!!



SNOW WHITE

M and M productions came to school to deliver an OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE of SNOW WHITE. Our children sang along, laughed at the jokes and enthusiastically booed the wicked queen.

We love that all of our children were able to experience live theatre. It was an absolute hit ! The theatre company will be back in April to perform **The Wizard of Oz** and hold drama workshops with our older children. All these items are free of charge and paid for by FOHL.



TALENTED AND THOUGHTFUL CHILDREN

We are so proud of our children at Hayfield Lane Primary. Two children have recently done something rather special.

A couple of weeks ago, Millie took part in her first ever Swimming Home Championships. She joined the club in September so had only been there for 6 weeks before she took part. She swam against a mix of ages in the Junior category (11-17years) but they were then categorised into their age groups for medal positions. I'm very pleased to say that Millie won gold in 50m butterfly and then gold in 50m freestyle. Her coach was very impressed with her fly especially as she was only 5seconds behind a 16 year old who also competed in that same event. Millie is extremely proud of her efforts and hopefully there will be many more medals won in the near future.

And last but by no means least I am proud to share that Myla donated 10 inches of hair to 'The Little Princess Trust' who make wigs for children going through cancer treatment.

We are so proud of both of you !



CRACKING CHRISTMAS CARDS

Year 4 recently used their art curriculum skills regarding landscape composition to create the most magnificent Christmas cards. They were magical and really demonstrated 3D effect and contours of the land. We are so impressed, Falcon Class.



CHRISTMAS FAYRE

What an incredible turnout we had for our FRIENDS OF HAYFIELD LANE FAYRE. The Chocolate stall and fairground rides were a firm favourite as ever and it was wonderful to welcome so many external stall holders to the event. The FOHL team work incredibly hard and the event was testament to this. Thanks to your generosity, they raised an incredible £3000 in just 2 hours. Funds such as these go towards the many lovely events in school. The pantomime is just one example of this.

AMAZING NATIVITIES

Early Years and Year 1 and 2 enjoyed performing their nativities this year. They were so confident and sang with absolute gusto! Our audiences were extremely impressed and felt that they were getting into the Christmas spirit.



Thanks to FOHL who served at each performance.

SAFEGUARDING IN THE HOLIDAYS

If you need urgent safeguarding support this holiday, please call the police and make a referral to social services. Also email the head on the emergency email address: head@hayfieldlane.co.uk.

GRACE CHURCH AT CHRISTMAS

Want to feel truly festive and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas? Pop along to Grace Church in the holidays. All very welcome!

We'd love you to join us as we celebrate Christmas together:

Sunday 22nd Dec 10.45am - Impromptu Nativity
(come as a character & join in or just be in the chorus)

Tuesday 24th Dec 5pm
Twinkly Lights Carol Service

Wednesday 25th Dec 10am
Christmas Morning Service
(bring a toy or other present to show)

All at The Zone at Hayfield Lane Primary School



DIARY DATES

19th Dec Christmas Party Day and Christmas films.

SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR CHRISTMAS

6th Jan SCHOOL REOPENS Y4 Egyptians Day

7th Jan Y3 Stone Age Day

13th Jan MRS TEMPEST'S END OF YEAR PRODUCTION CLUB STARTS

14th Jan With Me In Mind assembly and workshops Y 5 and 6

24th Jan KS1 Road Safety Performance

28th Jan YOUNG VOICES

3rd Feb Valentine's Disco

4th Feb With Me In Mind assembly and workshops Y5 and 6

10th Feb Healthy Friendships Y4 Nursing team

13th Feb Internet Safety visit Y5 and Y6

14th Feb SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR HALF TERM

24th Feb SCHOOL REOPENS

6th Mar Y4 Egyptians school visit

7th Mar Planetarium visit

11th Mar With Me In Mind assembly and Y6 session

19th and 20th Mar PARENTS EVENING

26th Mar Boggledy Book Fayre

27th Mar EASTER DISCO

28th Mar DECORATED EGG COMPETITION AND EGG ROLLING

28th Mar SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR EASTER



SANTA VISIT

On the last day of school, Santa came to visit all of our children as they had made it onto his good list. We are very grateful that he came as he must be so busy at this time of year. Big thanks to FOHL who helped him make sure that all children had a gift to take home.

