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Hainford Newsletter

Well another term is over and a new one will begin very soon. Thank you once again to everyone for their resilience, hard work and support over this autumn term. It's been lovely to see so many more opportunities continue to become available and how enthusiastically the children have embraced these. From trips to sporting activities, fundraising events and enrichment opportunities it has certainly felt like an action-packed term. I hope that you are all able to have a good Christmas despite these challenging times and I look forward to welcoming you all back when the school reopens its doors on **Wednesday 4th January**.

Whilst trying to not sound like a broken record, it is impossible not to repeat how proud staff were with the children during this week's nativity. Yes both the singing and acting were of course excellent, (thank you once again to Mrs Allison) but what stood out was how compassionate children were towards each other; older children supported younger children, more confident children helped those who were feeling nervous and everyone was amazingly supportive and encouraging behind the scenes. Well Done!

PTA Raffle

Thank you once again to our amazing PTA for running the refreshments at the end of each show. Over £200 was raised that will be put towards improving and extending the school's trim trail. The winning raffle tickets were:

Luxury hamper – Leopold's mum

Child's Hamper - Ruby's Mum

Mulled Wine – Henry's Dad

Bucks fizz – Ruby's mum

Roses – Jacob's mum

Wine and chocolates – Sophia's mum

Shoe boxes please

If you have any shoe boxes or boxes of a similar size, please could you bring them in for class 3 after the Christmas break. Thank you

Christmas

Hainford pupils were clearly on the 'good' list and so were fortunate enough to have a visit from the 'man in red'. He brought with him presents for each of the children, Christmas cheer and some cringeworthy jokes. Merry Christmas!



Clubs

Young Voices (O2) afterschool singing club will resume on Wednesday 4th January 2023. Homework club will restart on the week beginning 9th January.

Big Norfolk Holiday Fun is open for winter bookings

We're delighted to inform you that booking the Norfolk County Council winter holiday activity scheme is open. Activities will run from Monday 19-30 December for children aged 5-16 (and 4-year-olds in reception classes) who are eligible for means-tested free school meals. Book your space by visiting this website:

<https://www.activenorfolk.org/public/bignorfolkholidayfun/>

The Core Value of Hope was our value of focus for this period of Advent

A Christian Perspective on Hope: Christians see their hope in God’s promise “that love and goodness have, and will ultimately, overcome all evil”. This hope is manifested in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

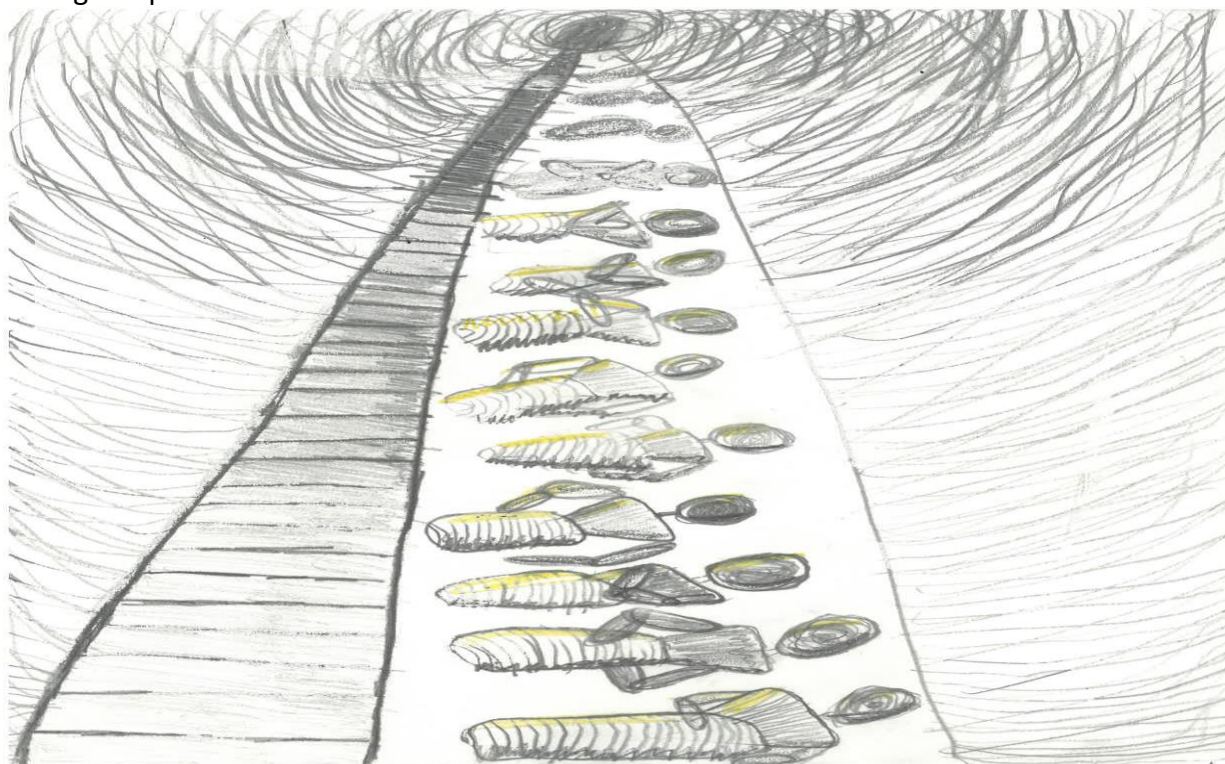
As a school community, we will be exploring how we can spread hope through our actions and words.

Let’s Celebrate!

| December 16th | Head of School Awards | Values Award Perseverance & Hope |
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| Class 1 | Bobby – excellent work in all subjects | Charlotte – showing perseverance and hope in her work and during this week’s nativity |
| Class 2 | William - excellent work and progress in all subjects | Benedict – demonstrating perseverance in all subjects but particularly his writing |
| Class 3 | Willow – an excellent attitude and great progress | Jack – showing resilience and perseverance to successfully overcome challenges and ‘shine’ as a result. |

Swimming Awards: Congratulations to all of our swimmers for their amazing progress made this term.

Art Award – Congratulations to George B from Class 3 for his meticulous sketching of people sheltering in the London Underground during the Blitz. He employed all of the techniques taught to great effect and took great pride and time in his work.





Britcher compassion award – Congratulations to Phoebe for receiving this award for her compassionate attitude to everyone. What a great role model.

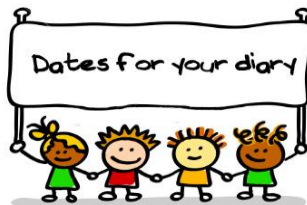
House points Congratulations to **Red team** for winning the House Point award for Autumn 2nd. Your VIP day will be on Friday 6th January 2023

Attendance Awards – children with 100% attendance for the autumn term received certificates today.

School Attendance Update

School Target: **98%**

Autumn Term: **96.47%**



Alterations/Updates in blue

School Christmas Holidays: Monday 19th December to Tuesday 3rd January

January

4th (Wed) School reopens for the spring term – Young Voices singing club after school

6th **VIP day for pupils in the Red Team (non-school uniform)**

18th **Author visit (Luke Temple) at St Faiths Primary school**

19th Young Voices concert at the O2 (selected children only)

27th **Nebula cross country event**

Half-Term: Monday 13th February to Friday 17th

February

20th School reopens to pupils after half-term

School Easter Holidays: Monday 3rd April to Tuesday 18th April

May

WB 8th KS2 (year 6) SATS week

Thank you for all of your support