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**NEWSLETTER**  
10<sup>th</sup> December 2021

In our celebration assembly this morning the following children were congratulated and presented with certificates:



**STARS OF THE WEEK**



Kestrels	Bobby, for memorising his lines in the play and saying them with gusto!
Ravens	Logan, for taking a more active role in his learning. He participates in class discussions and asks for clarification if he misunderstands the concepts being taught.
Robins	Charlie, for a super attitude to learning, careful effort, applying new skills and asking for support when needed.
Falcons	The whole class, for a great display of teamwork and timing during the samba drumming concert on Monday!

**SUPERSTAR LEARNER OF THE WEEK**



Kestrels	Hallie, for an amazing independent write-up of owl facts.
Ravens	Olly, for creating a very informative poster about Stone Age tools, using his own research.
Robins	Grace, for excellent effort with editing – trying hard to improve grammar, punctuation and vocabulary
Falcons	Jacob, for effort with his writing and producing a well-punctuated start to “A Christmas Carol”.

**Enjoy and Achieve – Aiming High**

Year 6 gave an amazing performance of samba drumming on Monday! The children have been working with Mr Phillips all term and have learned different patterns of rhythm and how to perform as a group. It has been a very enjoyable programme of music lessons and we are grateful to Mr Phillips for coming in to school to teach our pupils. Well done Year 6!

## END OF TERM EVENTS

Please see last week's newsletter for details of the Christmas and end of term events in school.

If your child usually has a packed lunch but would like to book Christmas lunch next Wednesday, please let Mrs Shanks know by Monday at the latest.



## Lost Property

The lost property basket is quite full again and we even have a pair of unclaimed crutches! If you think your child has lost an item of clothing, please ask to check the basket.

We would be grateful if all parents and carers could check that clothes, shoes, bags and lunch boxes still have clearly marked names on them so that we can return items to children more easily. Thank you.

## COVID-19 Update

The new variant of the Covid-19 virus means that we need to be particularly vigilant and do everything we can to minimise transmission. At the moment, we still intend to hold nativity plays etc as planned, but **parents, carers and other visitors to the school will be required to wear a face covering whilst they are in the building**. This is in line with the latest guidance for schools.

The latest government guidance also states that contacts of individuals who test positive for the Omicron variant will be required to self-isolate, regardless of age. This would be made clear to you in any communication from Test & Trace. There is an updated Public Health letter on the school website, giving more information:

<https://www.hallwoodpark.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Warn-and-Inform-schools-3-Dec-21.pdf>

For other variants of the virus, children will not be required to self-isolate if they are a contact of a positive case.

Please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Shanks in the office if you are unsure about any aspect of your child's attendance at school.

## Christmas Holiday

We break up for the Christmas holiday on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December** at approximately 1:45pm. (See above)

There is an INSET day on 5<sup>th</sup> January and so term will begin for the children on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022**.

(Term dates can be checked on the website or via the app.)