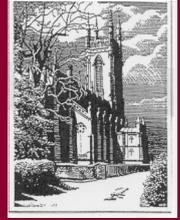




Hampton Lucy C of E Primary School and Nursery



Dates for your Diary

- Tuesday 5th
January 2021 :
Pupils return
- Tuesday 26th
January 2021 :
Year R Vision
Screening
- Friday 12th
February 2021 :
Staff Inset
Training Day
- Monday 15th —
Friday 19th
February 2021 :
Half Term
- All further dates
to be confirmed
as known



Christmas—A time to Celebrate!



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you, thank you, thank you... With your continued support, diligence and care, a little bit of hope, so much has made everything possible this term.

Your children continue to amaze us with their positive attitudes to learning, friendship and support. We are so proud of how they have come into school with smiles and happy greetings, settled to their lessons and shown us what they are capable of. They all deserve to enjoy the Christmas holiday in whatever form it takes for families this year. Please keep yourself and your families safe over the festive period.

The staff, from the word go this term, have never stopped to ensure your children are safe, cared for and inspired to learn. Without this continued passion and love to giving of their best for your children, the school would not have achieved all it has this term. We wish them all a restful Christmas to recharge ready for the New Year. Thank you to the families who have sent thoughtful messages and gifts, which are all appreciated by the staff.

It just leaves us to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Sending you Christmas blessings and love at this special time.

M. Hannon & M Jackson

Notices



Stay Safe

As we return to school in January we do not know what restrictions Warwickshire may be under. Please stay safe this Christmas and remember Hands, Space, Face.

Staying Warm

It is much colder now, so please ensure your children can stay warm in our ventilated classrooms. We suggest they wear base layers underneath their uniform and ensure they bring a coat to school.

Reception September 2021 Parents

Don't forget to apply for your child's Reception school place by 15th January 2021.

Hot Box School Meals

Please ensure you order your child's Hot Box Meal for next term by 4th January 2021.

Christmas Welfare Link

Warwickshire County Council's Welfare Team are available to families who may struggle over the Christmas period. Please do contact them if you are facing hardship.

Tel: 01926 359182 or 08004081488 or visit their website at :

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme

Autumn Term Peace Prize



Congratulations to all our Peace Prize winners this term, You are all stars !



Reception : Alice
 Year 1 : Georgia
 Year 2 : Evia
 Year 3 : Will
 Year 4 : Freya
 Year 5 : Joseph
 Year 6 : Jacob



Virtual Tour



We have put together a virtual tour of the school for any prospective Foundation and Nursery parents. The link can be found on our facebook page, or prospective parents can contact us and we can forward it to them. Please pass the word around!

Working with our Community

Our children have been very busy this year creating Christmas decorations for Charlecote Park which are now on display around the Park if you get the opportunity to visit,

They have also made Christmas Cards for elderly residents in local Care Homes and hospital this Christmas for the charity Kissing It Better, bringing Christmas cheer to people who are alone at this special time.



Charlecote Garden Centre very kindly donated the Christmas Tree we have outside, decorated by some of our Early Birds children. Our School Council Leaders have sent them a lovely thank you and we hope you all enjoy seeing it outside.

School Council Survey



Our School Council have undertaken a survey of pupils as they come into school. We thought you may like to see the outcomes.

On Friday 4th December 2020, Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th we were doing a survey on what peoples faces look like when they come into school. We had:



Faces = 56%



Faces = 38%



Faces = 6%

We were pleased to see that most people were happy when coming into school. We hope to see more happy faces at the school gates next term.

Grace, Evie, Joshua, Ryder - Year 6

Woodwind Lessons Re-Start

We are thrilled that Hannah McCarthy will be returning to Hampton Lucy to teach flute and clarinet on 11th January 2021. At the moment we are not able to offer Guitar or Violin lessons but will be in touch if anything changes.



A message from Warwickshire Health and Wellbeing Service

We are aware that after a year of upheaval and uncertainty, lots of parents/carers are trying to support their children with issues including challenging behaviour, difficult emotions, sleep disorders and many others.

We would like to reiterate that help is available for Warwickshire families, and have posted this blog article - <https://www.compass-uk.org/news/parents/help-at-christmas/> - to inform parents/carers of how they can seek advice from our service and Family Lives, an organisation we are working with to provide a wider level of support. The article also contains useful websites, other local services and self-help resources.

Thank you



Thank you to everyone who helped to raise a total of £134.24 for Children in Need at our Non Uniform Day in school this year.

We know you will be very generous with your donations for Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day tomorrow and will let you know next time how much we have raised.

And finally, once again you have been very generous with your gifts to school, the staff are very grateful but we really want to thank all of you for your support and understanding. School has been a different place for us all, but we know it is the best place for your child to learn. Staff have been under so many different and difficult restrictions but your support has helped us to carry on with doing what we love, teaching and nurturing your children.

A message from our Governors

Do you want to be more involved in the education and outcomes of our children at Hampton Lucy School?

As a small rural school, it has always been a challenge to attract new Governors onto the Governing body. We currently have two vacant Parent Governor Positions, it would be great to hear from any Parent or Carer who would like to know more about the role of a becoming a Governor, how you can support the school and learning outcomes of the pupils in our school.

If you are interested and would like to know further details please email: governors3031@welearn365.com include your contact details and our Chair will give you a call for an informal chat.



Stratford Food Bank



We have received the following Thank you from Stratford Food Bank

We would like to thank everyone who has made donations in the past few weeks to help us to put together over 400 Christmas hampers which are being collected and delivered from this week. This is a phenomenal achievement and we couldn't have done it without your support and that of the whole Stratford Community. So a big thank you to all who donated. Although we feel saddened that so many people are struggling at this time we can't help but feel inspired that so many people want to help.

However we are desperate for donations. If you feel able to help the most needed items are; Tinned Meat, Tinned veg, Tinned fruit, Angel delight/sponge puddings, Instant Mash, Dried Milk, Preserves, small jars of coffee, Deodorants, Shampoos Razors, Washing up liquids. Items can be donated at Tescos, Morrisons, Waitrose, Co-Op on Trinity Mead, Sainsbury's Local on Bridge Street, Co-Op in Bideford.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

In these difficult times, we understand that peoples circumstances are continually changing. If you think your child may be eligible for free school meals, please apply online at:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals>.

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook to keep up to date with everything that is happening at school. <https://www.facebook.com/HamptonLucyLearning/>



Class 1 News

Class 1 have had a busy couple of weeks getting ready for Christmas. We have been making Christmas hats, snowman biscuits and reindeer food ready for Christmas Eve. We have also met a new elf, Elfie who has been up to no good in the classroom and we have helped him make better choices! We have also been learning about the Christmas story and how important it is at this special time. We had lots of fun dressing up, learning lines and performing The Story of the Christmas Angel for our friends. We have had a very happy first term and are now ready for a rest with our families.



Class 2 News

Showing great enthusiasm, the children of Class 2 have jumped feet first into their learning this term!

With a focus on the Elves and the Shoemaker, they have produced lots of creative writing around the theme of traditional stories.

Our Science topic has been Materials and their Properties. To demonstrate their knowledge, the children have completed several different investigations (illustrated below).

Firstly, they had to construct their own bridge capable of bearing a weight and with a span of at least 30 cm (1 ruler length). They have also thought about how they could design a jacket to help to keep a snowman 'alive'. During our topic, they have made their own slippers to demonstrate an awareness of their market, their finished product needed to be both comfortable and practical. We clearly have some budding engineers and designers within our ranks!



The winning design in the 'keep your snowman alive' challenge



A selection of our slippers



Exploring how my bridge can be made stronger, stiffer and more stable .



And not forgetting all the Christmas craft we have been busy making....Do you want to build a snowman?!



Class 3 News

Class 3 have coped so well with the Covid restrictions: sitting in rows, sanitising their hands and staying in bubbles! They have done some amazing writing inspired by Charlie and the Chocolate Factory: character descriptions, instruction writing, diary entries, poems and newspaper reports.

Here is a snippet of some of the activities we have been doing.

In Science we looked at materials to see if they were transparent, opaque or translucent.



In our Electricity Topic we made circuits and looked whether different materials conducted Electricity.



In PHSE we worked in teams of two to build structures from spaghetti and marshmallows.



Class 4 News

Computers

At Hampton Lucy Primary School everybody in year five and six have their own Chromebook which they use for various reasons. On a Monday we all have a whole lesson on computing. We also use the Chromebook for math's lessons. What we do is our teacher emails us our math's worksheet and we write down the question and answer in our math's books. We do this because normally everybody would have a sheet printed for them and we do not want to waste too much paper. We sometimes even use them to play educational games like purple mash if we have some spare time! We have also used the Chromebooks to make some story books for younger children.



Poem (Charlotte)

In Class 4, we have performed a poem. The poem is based on the poem 'Chocolate Cake' by Michael Rosen. But we have changed it to 'Christmas Cake' so every time it says chocolate we have changed it to Christmas.



Dance (Mia and Lottie)

Some of the girls did a dance to Underneath the Tree. We all chipped in on ideas, so it was fair, and in the end it came together nicely. It was very festive, and I think it got us all in the Christmas spirit. We all enjoyed the dance, and we hope you have a merry Christmas.



Christmas Kenning Poems

I am a...	I am a
Present-wrapper,	Hat-wearer,
Trouble-maker,	Cookie-eater,
Cookie-stealer,	Mince pie-chomper,
Children-watcher,	Sleigh-rider,
Reindeer-feeder,	Candy cane-cruncher,
Personal-assistant,	Present-deliverer.
Espresso-maker,	Who am I?
Sleigh-fixer,	
Milk-taker,	
Who am I?	

