





### SCHOOL NEWS - 9th December 2022

# Value of the month

Responsibility

YOU MUST TAKE

personal responsibility. YOU CANNOT CHANGE THE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE SEASONS. OR THE WIND.

BUT YOU CAN CHANGE



#### Hey Ewe!

Well done to Barn Owls, Owls and Kestrels for 3 amazing performances. Your efforts were incredible and I am super proud of you all.

A special thank you to Mrs Odhams for organising the nativity for our children and their families. Thank you to all of our families for your support and to our PTFA for providing refreshments afterwards. Our donation pots raised £59.09, which has gone towards the cost of the play.

# Senior Mental Health Lead

Well done and congratulations to Mrs Odhams who completed her Senior Mental Health lead course this week. Mrs Odhams has already introduced many initiatives, such as, our Friendship Squad, Fun Friday, school pet and games to support break times. We are looking forward to developing further initiatives to ensure the well being of our pupils and families.

# Goodbye and Good luck

Mrs Crawford has made the very difficult decision to leave Hazelbury Bryan after 17 years of being a fantastic Teaching Assistant. Mrs Crawford will very sadly be leaving us next Tuesday. We wish her the best of luck in her new venture. She will be greatly missed.



# **Achievements**

# Learners of the week:

Barn Owls and Owls: all Barn Owls and Owls for their amazing performance in Hey Ewe.

**Kestrels:** Cooper for taking the nativity in his stride!

Hawks: Tabitha C for positive engagement in English this week. Eagles: Alfie W for his perseverance when problem solving in maths.

# Other achievements:

Poppy E and her horse Nancy came 5th place at Kingston Maurward dressage at the weekend. Henry and Poppy E achieved their level 3 proficiency award in trampolining.

# Christingle and Carol Service

Thank you to Chris and Carolyn for a lovely morning making our Christingles and sharing their true meaning. Collection boxes have come home for any spare change to support this celebration. Please return these by the 16th December. It was a lovely Carol Concert in church too, well done to all of our children for their beautiful singing and a special thank you to Eagles who led the service.

#### PTFA

Thank you so much to our PTFA for a lovely day full of arts and crafts. What beautiful decorations that came home!

Thank you for organising a Christmas raffle and for the lovely Christmas cakes for all of our children. We are all super excited for the pantomime next Thursday too.

# Parent support

Thank you to all of our wonderful families who have helped in many ways over this busy period so far, whether it is supporting our Ukulele concert, Christingle or Carol Concert, joining us for a mulled wine and mince pie, donating to our raffle or providing a costume for your child for the nativity. We really appreciate all of your support.

#### Christmas Card Postbox

We have our lovely Christmas post box up in the school entrance. If your child wishes to send cards this year, please pop them in here and Year 6 will deliver them to each class.

#### **Drinks Bottles**

Please remember a drink bottle each day. Children need access to their bottle throughout the day and during their lunch break. A reminder that this should be water only.

# Strep A and Scarlet Fever

As this is the first winter without pandemic restrictions in two years, you and your children may be more susceptible to the usual winter bugs and viruses this year. Winter bugs and viruses are usually mild, but can sometimes become more serious. You may have seen the news recently about the Group A strep bacteria. This is a common bacteria found in the throat that can cause a range of illnesses, including tonsillitis, scarlet fever and some skin infections. Scarlet fever is usually a mild illness, but it is highly infectious. Look out for symptoms in your child, which include a sore throat, headache, and fever, along with a fine, pinkish or red body rash with a sandpapery feel. Contact NHS 111 or your GP if you suspect your child has scarlet fever, because early treatment of scarlet fever with antibiotics is important to reduce the risk of complications such as pneumonia or a bloodstream infection. If your child has scarlet fever, keep them at home until at least 24 hours after the start of antibiotic treatment to avoid spreading the infection to others and only when they feel well.

# Christmas Day Services

The Ministry Team for Hazelbury Bryan and the Hillside Parishes warmly encourage you to join in the Christmas Day services:

Hazelbury Bryan 10am Family Service Reverend Chris Jervis
Ibberton 10am All Age Eucharist James Hepburn
Mappowder 10am Family Service Jestyn Coke

Fifehead Neville 11am Holy Communion Reverend David Dunning

Chris, who helps us with our school assemblies and services in the HB church, has said: "Please join us on Christmas Day; the services will be family-friendly, brief and joyful - a wonderful way to set your Christmas Day celebrations off to a good start."

# Orienteering

Well done to Sammy, Molly, Daisy, Ella, Issy and Layla for competing in our pyramid orienteering competitions. As the weeks went on their map reading skills improved resulting in them having the quickest times for some of the courses. Miss Allen and I are hugely impressed in the manner they represented the school, we are super proud of them all. Thank you to Miss Allen for her continued support with all sporting events for our children.

# HiPal guidance

HiPal is a trending social media app that turns phones into walkie-talkies, allowing people to have voice conversations with friends or strangers. There are two account options: one for users aged under 12 and one for those aged 12 or above. The former has fewer features and limits interaction with strangers; enabling use of the walkie-talkie feature or photo sharing with friends and family only. The 12+ accounts offer more options, including adding strangers as friends, sharing photos and videos publicly, sending private messages and holding voice chats with strangers as well as friends.

# **Attendance**



| Class:   | Week beginning: 5 December 2022 |
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| Owls     | 96% - Well done Owls            |
| Kestrels | 93.2%                           |
| Hawks    | 92.4%                           |
| Eagles   | 90.3%                           |

Only 1 late this week, this is amazing, well done everyone. We really appreciate your efforts.

# Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 13 December - Christmas party day festive wear for Reception to Year 6

Wednesday 14 December - LFL Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 14 December - Open afternoon 1.30pm

Wednesday 14 December - Parents' evening 3.15pm

**Thursday 15 December 8.45am** - Reception to Year 6 trip to Weymouth Pavilion to watch Sleeping Beauty

Friday 16 December 9am - 10.30am - Christmas party for Barn Owls and Toddler Group in the hall

Friday 16 December - Last day of the autumn term

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Tuesday 3 January - Inset Day

Wednesday 4 January - Start of the Spring Term children back to school

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Waring and all staff at Hazelbury Bryan Primary School.