### Houghton Regis

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#### NEWSLETTER



### **Primary School**

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25 November 2022

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

Our school has enjoyed much sporting success recently. Please find below some recent match reports.

#### Friday, 18 November v St Vincent's

Our Year 5 and 6 boys' football team battled to a hard fought 2-0 win against St Vincent's. The team represented the school impeccably throughout showing great determination and togetherness which reflected in the score line. Goals came from Anton with a timely finish and Alfie G with a great header from a pinpoint cross from Pele. A special mention goes to the defence that put in plenty of blocks and Lewis in goal that made some important saves. Well done boys!



#### Thursday 24 November v Tithe Farm

Our Year 5 and 6 girls' team enjoyed a convincing 11-0 victory against Tithe Farm at home yesterday. A number of our girls scored including Lily-Grace with a number of quality goals and Jasmine from a penalty. All girls represented our school very well.

#### Friday 25 November v Thomas Whitehead

This was a hard-fought contest with our team taking the lead early on but unfortunately Thomas Whitehead were able to equalise from a kick-off. Our boys played very well but were unable to capitalise on their many chances. Thomas Whitehead went on to win 3-2.

#### **Nativity Plays**

This year we are looking forward to allowing parents and carers to come and watch the children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 perform in our end of term Christmas plays. Due to the recent pandemic the children have not been able to take part in public performances of this nature and we are excited for them to be able to return to this traditional part of the school calendar.

#### Early Years Nativity – Reception Class

The Early Years children are already getting very excited about our Christmas performance and they have been working very hard to learn their lines and the songs.

The Early Years performances will be as follows:

- Wednesday, 7 December 2022 at 2:00 pm
- Thursday, 8 December 2022 at 10:00 am.

Tickets are restricted to 2 per child for this performance. Tickets for this performance will be available from Tuesday next week. We hope Early Years parents and carers can join us and we look forward to sharing this special occasion with you.

#### Key Stage 1 Nativity - Years 1 & 2

Our Years 1 and 2 children are also busily learning their songs and lines at the moment. I have high expectations of this years' performance and look forward to seeing parents and carers in the new capacity of audience members.

The KS1 performances will be as follows:

- Tuesday 6 December 1:45 pm
- Wednesday 7 December 9:15 am
- Wednesday 7 December 3:45 pm

Bearing in mind restrictions on numbers in our hall, we will be offering each child two tickets for each performance to allow two family members to come and watch them perform. For Early Years performances and the KS1 performance on Tuesday, younger siblings may accompany parents if sat on their lap, but we respectfully ask if very young children become upset that they are taken out of the hall so as not to distract our young stars who are working hard learning their lines and song lyrics. The other KS1 performances are for adults only. Tickets for all performance will go out on Tuesday next week.

Please also note on the late afternoon performance all KS1 children will remain in school to get changed for the performance. Performers will also be provided with an afternoon snack. All KS1 children will need to be collected from their classrooms around 5 pm that evening.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards

James Edwards

Headteacher



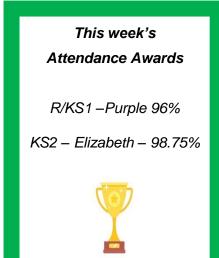












#### <u>PTA – Non-uniform day on Monday 28 November for an item</u> <u>donation</u>

We are seeking items that can be used for stall prizes for the upcoming Christmas Gift Alley on Friday 9 December. Therefore, we are asking for any unused gift sets, toiletries, unused gifts or toys, puzzles, chocolate, sweets etc. This is not exclusive, but just to give you an idea. There is no theme, so no need to go out and purchase something. We just ask that the clothing and footwear is warm, comfortable and suitable for a school day.

#### Many thanks for your support. HRPS PTA Committee

UPCOMING EVENTS				
Event	Year groups involved	Date		
KS1 Nativity	Years 1 & 2	Tuesday, 6 December 2022 - 1:45 – 3.00 pm		
Christmas Piano and Choir Concert If your child learns piano at school or is in Mrs Henshall's choir and you would like to attend please contact the school office to reserve a place in the audience.	Choir and Piano Pupils	Tuesday, 6 December 2022 – 9:30-10:30am		
KS1 Nativity	Years 1 & 2	Wednesday, 7 December 2022 - 9:15 am		
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School Finishes	All	Friday, 16 December 2pm		
Jingle Mingle	Nursery	Wednesday, 14 December 2022 Performance 1 at 9:10 am (Morning Nursery) Performance 2 at 2 pm (Afternoon Nursery)		
PTA EVENTS				
Non-Uniform day	All	Monday, 20 Navember 2022		
Gift Alley	All	Monday, 28 November 2022 Friday, 9 December 2022 – 3:30 onwards		
School Disco	All	Monday, 12 December 2022 – 3:30 01wards		
Santa's Grotto	All	Wednesday, 14 December 2022 3:00-0:00pm		
Christmas Jumper Day	All	Wednesday, 14 December 2022 Wednesday, 14 December 2022		
Christmas Lunch	All	Wednesday, 14 December 2022		





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#### **STAR AWARDS**

Danny DETERMINATION says, "DON'T GIVE UP."	Colin CURIOSITY says, "THINK FOR YOURSELF."	Chloe COMMUNICATION says, "RESPECT OTHERS."	Izzy INDEPENDENCE says, "DO YOUR BEST."
Adalin. I	Yasmin L	Myles. W	Kray H
Adam G	Hanna C	Francesca K	Kaiden-Callum D
Esmae T	Ibrahim H	Olivia	Pelageya G
Zac A	Junior B		Lyra S-P
Jessica G			Isaac R
Isobel B			Emily K
Natalia S			Mia T
Maksym G			
Elsie H			
Jessica G			
Kelsey J			
Alfie R			
Oskar			
Joshua J			





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#### Please see various attachments from PTA regarding upcoming Christmas events.

## Upcoming ... WHERE A CHRISTMAS EVENTS

# Mufti Monday

Monday 28th November Please bring a gift for donation\*. Children can wear full non uniform (something warm and comfortable). Donations of unwanted gift sets, toiletries, toys, puzzles, teddies, chocolates, alcohol etc These donations will be used as prizes for the gift alley \*Gift donations to be given to class teachers on the morning of the event



## Christmas Gift CAlley Friday 9th December

Bring along friends and family after school for a chance to purchase gifts, made by children at Houghton Regis Primary and their class teachers. Refreshments, raffle and homemade gifts galore. FREE ENTRY, doors open from 3.20pm















# Upcoming ... WHRPS PTA CHRISTMAS EVENTS

# Christmas Disco

Monday 12th December Children can let loose and have a boogie at the disco, drinks, sweets and small toys avaliable to buy. Limited availability\*

Tickets on sale 28th & 29th November in the Gazebo before and after school only. You will not be able to purchase with class teachers, this is due to the limited availability. Tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Please note this event is not available to nursery children.

£2 per child- No ticket no entry policy. Doors will open 15mins prior to start time.

### Disco 1

3.30pm- 4.30pm- Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Disco outfit and ticket to be taken to school for children to change into at the end of the day. No school pick up at 3.10.

Disco 2 5.00pm-6.00pm - Year 3, Year 4. Year 5, Year 6





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