



Halam Church of England Primary School

Life in all its fullness

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Friday, 8 November

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the half term break, I hope that you all had a lovely holiday.



Terrific Assembly Awards

Well done this week to:

Cherry Class: Isaac for probably being one of the kindest children in the whole class!
Lola for working well with a partner.
Niamh for her brilliant bonfire picture.

Maple Class: Martha for showing such a positive attitude.
Bobby for persevering in maths.

Oak Class: William for being enthusiastic during learning time.
Vesper for always having a smile in the morning!

Head Team Award: Jonny for sitting well in assembly.

Lunchtime "Good Manners" Awards: Lola & Thea

Best attendance this week: Oak Class - 100% (well done!)

Housepoints: First – **Emerald** (57)
Second – **Sapphire** (46)
Third – **Ruby** (36)



Birthdays: Oliver & Thomas



Certificates from Home: Sophie for attending a Football Camp
Gregory for Level 8 Gymnastics



PTFA Christmas Card Project

Thank you to everyone who took part, the Christmas cards and gifts have all now been collected or given out. I know that the PTFA are very grateful for your support.



Anti-Bullying Week & Odd Socks Day!

Next week is Anti-Bullying week and the theme this year is, "Choose Respect". As part of Anti-Bullying Week, on **Tuesday** (12th November) it is **Odd Socks Day**. We are going to work in House Groups on Monday afternoon to design some "odd socks" and then on Tuesday we are encouraging the children (and the staff!) to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. The socks can be different colours, different patterns or even different styles, anything goes, so I can't wait to see everyone's feet on Tuesday morning!



Pantomime Visit – Monday, 9 December

On Thursday, the children brought home a letter about our pantomime visit in December. Please could we have the consent forms returned as soon as possible, payment should be made via SchoolMoney by 29th November – thank you.



Children in Need – Friday, 15 November

It is "Children in Need Day" next Friday, so in honour of Pudsey we would like the children to come to school wearing something spotty or yellow on that day! Of course the children are also welcome to wear any Children in Need merchandise they have too (such as wristbands, badges or Pudsey Bear ears!)

In order to raise money for the cause we are going to have a "Pudsey Bear Bake Sale". Please bring donations of cakes to the Office in the morning, and send your child with 50p to buy a cake at breaktime.

Any leftover cakes will be sold in the playground at the end of the day.



Choir Performance at the Halam Christmas Market

The School Choir will be performing at 1.30pm at the Halam Christmas Market on Sunday, 17 November. If you are going along to the Christmas Market, do come and support us.

Please would the parents and carers of the children who attend Choir let me or Mrs Lincoln know if they are able to perform on Sunday 17th.



Dates for the diary

Friday, 8 November	PTFA Autumn Ball (3.30pm – 5pm)
Monday, 11 November	Anti-bullying Week
Tuesday, 12 November	Odd Socks Day
Wednesday, 13 November	PTFA meeting 7.30pm in school
Sunday, 17 November	Halam Winter Fair – Choir performing at 1.30pm
Tuesday, 19 November	Bags2School collection
Wednesday, 20 November	Maple Class visit to Brackenhurst
	Open Evening for children due to start in September 2025
Friday, 22 November	PTFA non-uniform day
Thursday, 28 November	Southwell Late Night Shopping – Choir performing
Monday, 2 December	School Christmas Concerts – 2pm & 6pm
Wednesday, 4 December	Christmas Jumper & Craft Day
Monday, 9 December	Whole school visit to the pantomime in Newark ("Aladdin")
Tuesday, 10 December	National Child Measurement Programme – height and weight checks for F2 & Y6 pupils
Wednesday, 11 December	Carols & Mince Pies – 2pm
Friday, 13 December	PTFA Winter Fair – 3.30pm – 5pm
Tuesday, 17 December	Christmas Service in St Michael the Archangel's Church– 9.15am
Thursday, 19 December	Christmas Party Day in school
Friday, 20 December	Break up for the Christmas Holidays
Monday, 6 January	School re-opens for the Spring Term 2025

Thank you all for your continued support.

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