



**National**

**Term 2**

**29th Nov - Year 6**

Greek Day

**29th Nov - Bags 2**

School drop off

**30th Nov-** Google

Classroom Workshop

**1st Dec - Year 6 E-**

Safety Day

DIARY DATE



**Harrowby**

**3 Dec - Non Uniform**

Day—£1



# Weekly Bulletin

26TH NOVEMBER 2021



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## Executive Head



Dear parents and carers,

I am sorry to start my article with a moan but it has been brought to my attention that there are year 5 and 6 children in the church yard as early as 8.20am some mornings. Year 5 and 6 drop off time is between 8.50 and 9.00 so these children are waiting for over 30 minutes. I understand that parents, particularly of year 6 children, want to start to give their children more responsibility in preparation for senior school. However, with 30 minutes to spare some of these children are making poor choices. I am worried that someone could get hurt, our school reputation could be damaged or learning time could be lost resolving issues that arise in this time. There is a facility for children to be dropped off at 8.30am if they have siblings at another school.

On a far more positive note, the children at both schools have been busy making Christmas decorations which are now displayed on trees in the St Wulfram's Christmas Tree Festival. I had a quick look on Thursday morning and, as usual, it is absolutely amazing with some very clever trees. This festival is free to look around and I would wholeheartedly recommend it. It is open to the public from Thursday 26th November to Sunday 28th Sunday. National School children will all get an opportunity within the school day to visit the festival.

St Wulfram's also has an ice-skating rink. Spaces are limited and so it was decided that this year, we will take years 4 and 5. A parentmail has already gone out about this. Year 6 children have already had this experience and in two years time we will offer it again to years 4 and 5, meaning that all National School children will get the opportunity to go in their National School journey. Families are able to book their own sessions on the church's website.

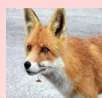
Today is the last day to sign up for the parental Google Classroom workshop. This will take place at Harrowby School, on Tuesday 30th November 9.30 - 10.30am, and is open for all parents. We sincerely hope that we will not need to go back to remote learning but this workshop will help if that is necessary. We have also put useful video links on both websites under the parental information tab, remote learning.

Miss Priestly, one of our year five teachers, will be leaving us at the end of term. She is moving to another Lincolnshire school and we wish her the very best in her new role and her future career. We are at present advertising the vacancy and showing prospective candidates around the National School. Interviews will take place in the week beginning 6th December and we will keep you informed. As you know, we work in year group teams at the National school and the year 5 team look forward to welcoming a new teacher.

I hope you have a peaceful weekend, the last one before advent starts,  
Peace be with you,

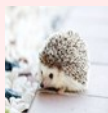
Mrs Comerford

# News from Harrowby Infant School



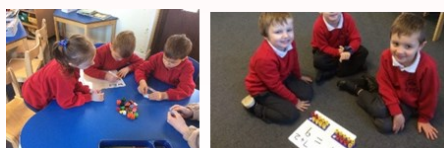
## Fox Class - Pre school / Reception

This week in Fox Class the children have been enjoying playing doctors and nurses and learning about the importance of our NHS.



## Hedgehog Class (KS1)

In Hedgehog class this week the children have also been learning about the NHS and creating fact files. In Maths they have been experimenting with the terms "greater than and less than".



## Children in Need

The children had great fun for Children in Need. During the morning they were given different enrichment options to choose from. The morning was filled with crafts, colouring, dancing and leaf printing with playdough.



## Tree planting

Mrs Anderton was invited to celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Queen Elizabeth Park on Friday and had the privilege of planting an Oak tree with the help of two of our year 2 children.



## Junior School Admissions

**Year 2 parents** please note you will be required to apply for a school place at The National Junior School via the link above. You can do this from 15 November 2021.

If you would like a tour around the school, please feel free to contact their School Office on (01476 563895) to arrange a time that suits you.



## School Admissions

School Admissions for Reception age children is now open

Apply via: [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

We welcome all prospective parents for a tour of the school. Please contact the School Office (01476 564417) to book your visit on a day that suits you. Children are welcome!



# News from The National School

## Year 6

The children in Year 6 have been working very hard on creating their Greek Costumes ready for Monday! They have been sewing sequins on and gold threading as well as creating their own Greek patterns with fabric felt tips. I can't wait to see them worn on Monday!

Next week we look forward to our E Safety workshop on Tuesday - learning how to keep ourselves safe online.

## National Choristers Harlaxton Manor

Many thanks to the National School Choristers who attended Harlaxton College this morning to sing at their Christmas Tree Carol Service - it was lovely to showcase your amazing talents!



Mrs Thompson (Nationals very own Mother Christmas) was in her element happily joining in with the Christmas Carols.

Thank you to the parent helpers who attended too!



## Bronze Ambassador News

Last week our Bronze Young Ambassadors helped to launch the 401 mission in school.

Ben Smith, an ambassador for Inspire+, is completing his own mission next year by running and cycling 14,000 miles across all 50 US states in just 104 days. He has challenged our pupils to join him virtually on this mission and has asked that they keep a record of any activity they complete each week.



Our Bronze Ambassadors will be responsible for collecting this data and uploading it online. Please support and encourage your children to be as active as possible as each activity recorded equates to miles. We hope, as a school, to complete the challenge by the end of the summer term.

## Childcare Club at the National

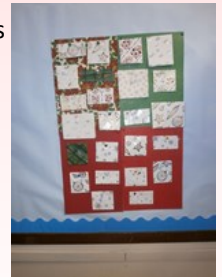


As you can see, we have completed our two Advent Calendars - the house opens up to reveal little, handmade envelopes inside and the second has handmade envelopes randomly arranged on Christmas card. Neither has chocolate inside; one has a selection of terrible Christmas jokes and the other Christmas themed charades. That doesn't mean there won't be chocolate when the envelopes are opened, but I am keeping it somewhere safe for now.



Next we need to make our Christmas tree for next Wednesday! We had a stroke of luck in that a small freezer was purchased for our use and the box is just the right size to make an Eco-friendly Christmas tree - photograph next week. After that we have some wonderful twinkly, glittery wool to make pom-poms and 'tinsel' to decorate the tree.

Further to our experiment making crispy cakes in the ice cube trays, we have tried making tiny mug cakes in them - very successful, very tasty!



One or two parents have asked what happens if they are late or early collecting their children. **Firstly, don't worry**, we all know how unpredictable the traffic in Grantham is and life in general. Your account will be debited with the amount owed.

If there are any problems or changes to bookings, please use [nationalchildcare@thnatrust.org.uk](mailto:nationalchildcare@thnatrust.org.uk) to let me know. For last minute changes or when you get stuck in traffic, behind tractors etc. please ring 01476 563895, and prior to 15:30 talk to the office, or after 15:30 choose CCC from the menu and speak to us directly.

Ms Page Senior CCC Supervisor

## Drop Off

### Polite Reminder



May we remind all Parent / carers that for everyone's safety, **NOT** to leave children at the North Door before 8.30am.

There are no teaching staff present until 8.30am therefore these children are being left unattended with No supervision.

## Children in Need



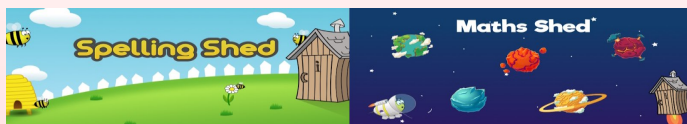
The school was an array of yellow and spots last week on Children in need day.

Thank you to all the children for participating in this worth whilst cause.



As a school we raised a whopping **£274.33**

Thank you to all who contributed.



League winner Spelling Shed		League winner Maths Shed	
Year 3	TC	Year 3	TC
Year 4	PG	Year 4	PG
Year 5	HP	Year 5	TT
Year 6	VS	Year 6	VS

## TIMES TABLE CHAMPIONS

Well done to the following children for receiving their **Times Table Champion** badges!

*This means they know all of their multiplication facts up to 12 x 12.*

**Lola, Laura and Imogen (year 6)**

