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Executive Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a lot of water under the bridge since we came back to school in September. As two schools we have been very fortunate, we are thankful that we have not had to close at all. Many of our families have been affected directly or indirectly by the continuing pandemic and our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Our senior leadership team is checking guidance and listening to the views of staff and parents constantly. This week we have moved to virtual for worship and all meetings (wherever possible). This is not statutory but precautionary measures - it is under constant review.



The guidance from the government changed this week and a Parentmail was sent to all parents. In summary, if you are a close contact of a positive COVID case, you are now required to take Lateral Flow Tests (LFT) daily for 7 days. So long as these tests are negative you can continue as usual. However, if you get a positive test you should get a PCR test as soon as possible and isolate until you get the results. There is no need to contact school, regarding COVID positive cases, during the holiday however we will need to know if this affects attendance in the new term.

Our year 6 children enjoyed a last minute trip to see Jack and the Beanstalk at the Guildhall on Monday. Thank you to everyone involved as this opportunity was too good to miss with our tickets being half usual price.

Christingle at The Church of the Ascension for the Harrowby children was magical! Thank you very much to the Reverend Sam and to everyone else involved - this is a lovely tradition and even very young children can start to understand the symbolism of the Christingle.

This is a reminder of the road closure outside the National School 8th January - April 2022. For further details please see last week's bulletin (on our websites) or visit

<https://www.granthamjournal.co.uk/news/traffic-restrictions-planned-for-town-centre-street-9229745/>

I wish you and your family a joyful Christmas and New Year. Please keep safe and follow government guidance and we look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 4th January 2022!

If there are any notifications from the government in the meantime, we will communicate with you via Parentmail as usual.

Peace be with you and yours,

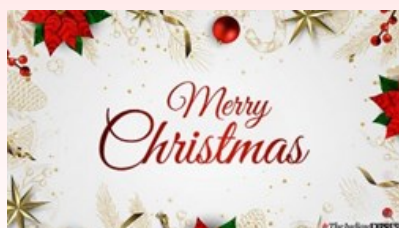
Mrs Comerford

News from Harrowby Infant School



Merry Christmas from us all

As the children enjoy their last week in school creating Christmas crafts and singing and dancing to Christmas songs, we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



One Touch Football



Soccer School

The Football After school club is now available to book online - <https://onetouchfootball.co.uk/after-school-clubs/> ahead of Term 3.

If you wish your child to take part, please ensure you book in advance ready for Wednesday 5 January 2022. Please note this is for KS1 children only.

School Admissions Reminder

School Admissions for Reception age children is now open

Apply via: 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!





Guidance for parents and carers on keeping children safe online

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The Children's Commissioner is today launching [a guide for parents and carers on online sexual harassment and how they can support children to stay safe online](#).

"The things I wish my parents had known" draws together advice from 16 to 21 year olds on how parents should manage tricky conversations around sexual harassment and access to inappropriate content, including pornography. The Commissioner's office began a programme of work focussing on peer-on-peer abuse following the avalanche of testimonies on the [Everyone's Invited](#) website, which laid bare an epidemic of sexual violence among teens. This was picked up in [Ofsted's June 2021 review of sexual harassment in schools and colleges](#).

A surprising but overriding message from young people is that parents should start these challenging conversations early. They suggest broaching topics before a child is given a phone or a social media account, which is often around the age of 9 or 10.

Year 3

Well, Year 3 have had a great first Autumn Term at The National School. They have bravely started a new school and adapted to new learning expectations and routines. The children have enjoyed their learning this term and learned many facts and skills.

Enjoy your Christmas break, get rest, take care and we will do it all over again in Spring term!
Year 3 Team :)

Year 4

Please remember class 4DO with start swimming lessons every Friday from Friday 7th January 2022 for 6 weeks.

Seasons Greetings to you all

Year 5

Year 5 has enjoyed our last week of term. The children have loved their Christmas themed Maths and English themed lessons – many would like Christmas themed lessons all year round. We hope everyone has a wonderful and restful Christmas.

Year 6

What a super start to our week visiting the Guildhall pantomime performance of Jack and the Beanstalk! It was an amazing performance and the children thought it was fantastic. Thank you to FONS who provided additional sweets for the children to consume during the performance.

This week we have been finishing off all of our current topics so we say goodbye to the Ancient Greeks for now and hello to World War 2 learning in the new year!

We look forward to seeing all of our Year 6 children back fully rested and ready for even more adventures in 2022.

Happy Christmas



Childcare Club at the National



This week the children have enjoyed being outside running round or being inside crafting and playing games. Draughts and table tennis top the indoor games league. Craftwise, we have made penguin poppers, swirling Santas and mindfulness colouring paper chains.

Thank you to those of you who answered Travel to Tokyo activity surveys for us. Yesterday I received an email asking if we wanted money or a voucher as a reward. Thanks to your efforts we have bought a range of equipment and toys for CCC.



If you have any problems or queries, please contact us via email nationalchild-care@thnatrust.org.uk to let me know. For last minute changes, or when you are running late, please ring 01476 563895 and let either the office or, after 15:30, CCC know.
Ms Page Senior CCC Supervisor

Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year to all our parents and children.

After School Clubs

Gym Club:

Gym club will restart on Thursday 6th January.

Netball Club:

Netball club will restart on Tuesday 11th January.

Both of these clubs are for invited members only.



Attendance

Its been another tricky year with the presence of Covid and the usual seasonal bugs and germs which of course make an impact on attendance.

We would like to take this opportunity in congratulating all the children who have had excelled in achieving 100% attendance since the start of this academic year. Congratulations to each and every one of them .

I wish you all a peaceful, safe and Merry Christmas



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

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.

Evie, Jasmine, Miles, Eden, Kieran, Oliver, Jackson (year 5) Tracy (year 6)

