

HYLTON CASTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL **NEWSLETTER**

Weekly newsletter 12 W/E 17th December 2021

PLEASE NOTE: Car park gates are closed between 8.25am - 9.00am & 2.55pm - 3.30pm for safety

Dates to Remember

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Wednesday 15th Dec 2021 Christmas Lunch - to be booked & paid (£2.40) by Friday 26th November -

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DAY

Friday 17th Dec 2021 Break up for Christmas

> Tuesday 4th Jan 2022 INSET-NO CHILDREN

Wednesday 5th Jan 2022 CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

Friday 18th Feb 2022 Break up for half term

> Monday 28th Feb 2022 CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

Friday 8th Apr 2022 Break up for Easter

Monday 25th Apr 2022 CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

Friday 27th May 2022 Break up for half term

Monday 6th June 2022 CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL

Friday 22nd July 2022 Break up for Summer Holiday

Happy Birthday to the children who have birthdays this week & over the holidays:

Philliskirk Oscar Lucas McMahon Lola Cairns Sophia Simpson



Riley McManus Oliver Rushworth



Maddison Close Hollie Collins

Merry Christmas & Thank You

As we come to the end of 2021, I'd like to take this opportunity to reflect on this past year, but particularly this past term. My first 'thank you' goes to our amazing staff. We are so lucky to have such skilled and dedicated people working in our school, who always put the needs of our children first. Secondly, I'd like to thank our governors. Our governors are volunteers who give up their own time to support and challenge our school leaders on the strategic development of the school, and ultimately the outcomes for your children. Next, my gratitude goes to our families. Thank you for your ongoing support through some very challenging times; helping your children to settle back into school and supporting with their reading, homework etc. Thank you for your understanding around some of the COVID measures we have implemented, which ultimately may have left you feeling as if you have missed out. I am pleased to say that since September we have only had 5 confirmed positive cases of COVID in children, and 3 in staff. And, I hope you have seen from our newsletters that while we still have some restrictions in place, your children continue to have lots of fun, engage well in their learning and make some great progress. Your children also deserve a huge thank you. They are such amazing young people who are enthusiastic, kind, polite and generally fantastic!

Finally, I'd like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a healthy, calm, and positive new year! If you haven't already, please take a look at our special 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas' video on our Facebook page.

Attendance Awards

Congratulations to the following classes for the best attendance for week ending 10th December:

> KS1:Y2 95.14% KS2:Y4 97.09%

Heroes of the Week



Well done to the children who won last week:

- Eva Grace Bushby
- **Emily Cooper**
- Keegan Smith
- **Hollie Collins**
- Clayton Harrison
- **Kaycie Shipley**
- Alfie Campbell

Alexis Wilson

Every week, a 'Hero of the Week' is chosen from each class and they get to add 10 tokens to their house collection!

January 2022

At this moment in time, there has been no official directive from the government about a further lockdown in January and so we expect January 2022 to look very similar for us in school. We will continue to support good hand hygiene, good respiratory hygiene, ventilation of used spaces and appropriate cleaning regimes. Adults in school will continue to wear face coverings in communal areas and we will continue with virtual assemblies to begin with. As always, this will be reviewed on a regular basis in line with advice from the government and our local public health team.



House Team Winner

Children have really enjoyed earning house tokens again this term. Because it is the end of the half term, we have counted the tokens and the winning house is:

Colonel Considerate (yellow)

Well done to everyone in that team; we hope you enjoy your special treat bag.

Attendance Winner

Everyday, children who arrive at school, on time, receive a raffle ticket with their name on. This raffle is drawn at the end of the half term and our this half term's winner is:

Henry Lupton

Well done, we hope you enjoy spending your £5 Amazon voucher.

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Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been making Rudolph cakes! We melted the chocolate and mixed the cereal in, we gave him two eyes, a red nose and two antlers. They tasted delicious and made us very excited for Christmas!



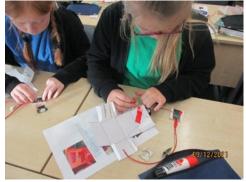




Year 6

Year 6 had a great time making their final buzzer games in DT. I was very impressed with their resilience with quite a tricky product to make. Well done!

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Year 1

In Year 1 we have been learning about 'wheels and axels' in DT and in history we have been learning about Neil Armstrong. The children have had great fun designing and making their own 'Moon Buggies'. They are not finished yet but we are all looking forward to seeing if they will work.





