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Autumn Term 2
Week 3
News

Week 16.11.26

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What another busy and exciting week we have had across school!

EYFS
Our Nursery children have been focusing on birthdays and celebrations this week. They have enjoyed talking about special occasions and sharing their own experiences. The children have also been very busy preparing for their upcoming Nativity Service, practising songs and getting ready to share this special event with their families. Reception have worked incredibly hard with their phonics this week and have shown fantastic enthusiasm in their learning. They have also been learning more about Autumn, exploring the changes taking place in the world around them and discussing seasonal features. EYFS have also enjoyed continuing their Balance Bike sessions this week with Mr Rodgers, where the children moved at different speeds.

KS1
This week, Year 1 have enjoyed lots of exciting learning across the curriculum. In Science, they investigated melting and freezing and explored how materials can change when heated or cooled. In RE, they analysed Creation artwork and learned where the Creation story fits within our Big Frieze. In Geography, Y1 created messy maps of our classroom, using objects to represent different features. In English, Y1 have been writing sentences to describe Plop, the main character from our class story *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark*, thinking carefully about his appearance and feelings. Year 2 have been taking part in activities linked to Anti-Bullying Week. The children designed colourful handprints to celebrate what makes each of us unique and special. In Music, Y2 explored percussion instruments and learned about high and low pitch, enjoying the opportunity to experiment with different sounds and rhythms.

KS2
Year 3 have been learning about different types of volcanoes and the powerful forces that shape our planet. They have also designed their own piece of wearable technology using micro:bits to help us stay visible in the dark, combining creativity with technology. Year 4 have been busy writing non-chronological reports about Ancient Greek gods and goddesses, using their research skills to create informative pieces of writing. In Maths, they have started their multiplication unit, which is an especially important area of learning in Year 4. The children have also enjoyed developing their skills in gymnastics and basketball during PE lessons. Year 5 have been learning about equivalent fractions in Maths and have been busy writing exciting scene descriptions in English using personification, similes, expanded noun phrases and metaphors to bring their writing to life. In RE, they have been exploring Islam, particularly learning about how members of the Muslim community pray and express their faith. Year 6 have completed their Emotions Express sessions with Claire from Alliance and have gained valuable skills to support their emotional wellbeing. In RE, they have been learning about diversity within Christianity, exploring how Christians around the world may respond differently to the same situations and how faith can be expressed in a variety of ways.

Thank you for your continued support. We hope everyone has a wonderful weekend and look forward to another fantastic week of learning ahead!
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For further information about each class and their weekly achievements, including the Celebration Books, parents and carers are encouraged to check Class Dojo.

The Seaton Crew Childcare



The Seaton Crew childcare is available Monday – Friday for pupils in Reception to Year 6.
Bookable and payable via Arbor App should any parents require this service.
Breakfast Club times: 7.30am-8.20am (£5)
After School Club times: 3-5.30pm (£8.50)

PTA Christmas Hamper Raffle & Non-Uniform Day: Friday 27th November

This year, we are having our annual Christmas Hamper Raffle, which is always a huge success thanks to the incredible generosity of our school community.

On **Friday 27th November**, children are invited to wear non-uniform and, if they wish, bring in an item to help fill our Christmas hampers.



To help us create a variety of hampers, we have suggested donation categories for each year group:

- **Nursery/Reception:** Sweets and chocolates
- **Years 1/2/3/4:** Luxury food items such as biscuits, mince pies, crackers, chutney, Christmas pudding etc. (please check expiry dates)
- **Years 5 & 6:** Toiletries, gifts or candles

If you have an item that fits into a different category, or another suitable raffle prize, we would be very grateful to receive it.

We are also looking for **Christmas gift bags, baskets, hampers or other containers** to help present the prizes. Please send donations into school on **Friday 27th November**. We understand that Year 5 will be away at Robinwood, so Year 5 families are welcome to send their donations into school on **Monday 30th November** instead.

Important: Any food items donated should be within their expiry date.

Raffle tickets will be sent home over the coming weeks, and we would greatly appreciate your support in selling these to family members, friends and colleagues. The raffle draw will take place on **Friday 11th December**.

As always, thank you for your continued support. Without the generosity of our families, we would not be able to run these events and raise vital funds that directly benefit our children and the school.

Polite Reminders:

- **Class Fundraising:** Christmas Card deadline was 11.11.26, however this has reopened today (20.11.26) for 10 days, should you wish to make a purchase.
- **Christmas Lunch**: This year's Christmas lunch is on Wednesday 16th December. If your child normally has a packed lunch, but would like to have Christmas Lunch on this date, please can you let Mrs Dougherty know via email on admin2@hpoolholytrinity.org.uk. The deadline for this will be Friday 4th December, so that the cook can order the appropriate food. No late requests can be accepted. A Christmas Lunch will automatically be ordered for pupils who currently have a hot lunch. Payment should be made as usual on Arbor App.
- We would like to inform Parents/Guardians that, alongside Class Dojo, we will now be using Arbor App Messaging as a main method of communication with families. Arbor messages will replace our previous text message service for school updates, reminders and general information. We will still contact you by phone when appropriate, such as for head bumps, illness or other urgent matters. Please ensure you have access to the Arbor App and have notifications switched on. Please contact Mrs Dougherty if you have not already logged onto Arbor.

Term Dates:

Autumn 1	Tue 1st Sep – Fri 23rd Oct
Autumn 2	Mon 2nd Nov – Fri 18th Dec
Spring 1	Mon 4th Jan – Fri 12th Feb
Spring 2	Mon 22nd Feb – Thur 25th Mar
Summer 1	Mon 12th Apr – Fri 28th May
Summer 2	Mon 14th Jun – Wed 21st Jul

School Holiday Dates:

October Half Term	Mon 26th Oct – Fri 30th Oct
Christmas Holidays	Mon 21st Dec – Fri 1st Jan
February Half Term	Mon 15th Feb – Fri 19th Feb
Easter Holidays	Fri 26th Mar – Fri 9th Mar
May Bank Holiday	Mon 3rd May
Summer Half Term	Mon 31st May – Fri 11th Jun
Summer Holidays	Thurs 22nd July

Church Dates:

Date/Time	Service
11.11.26 – 9-10am	Remembrance
18.11.26 – 9-9.45am	Eucharist
2.12.26 – 9-9.45am	Eucharist
8.12.26 – 1.30-2.30pm	Nativity Y1/3/5
9.12.26 – 1.30-2.30pm	Nativity Y2/4/6

Clubs:

Clubs	Day/Time/Information
Miss White	Thur/3-3.45pm/Arts and Crafts KS1
Miss Lavelle	Tues/3-4pm/Cookery KS1
Mrs Robinson	Mon/3-3.45pm/Social Club
Mr Murray	Tues/3-4.15pm/£2.15 per week/KS1 Football
Mr Rodgers	Thurs/3-4.15pm/£2.15 per week/KS2 Football
Mrs Evans	Mon/3-3.45pm/Reading club
Mrs Corbett	Mon/3-34pm/Arts and Crafts KS2 (Autumn 2)

Attendance

Class	Attendance
Nursery	90.1%
Reception	96%
Year 1	98.3%
Year 2	98.4%
Year 3	95.2%
Year 4	98%
Year 5	94.3%
Year 6	96.7%

We are placing an increased focus on attendance across the school.

To help celebrate and encourage excellent attendance, we will be sharing attendance figures in our weekly newsletter and recognising classes and pupils with strong attendance during our Celebration Worships.

Our attendance winners this week are Year 2 class. Well done!



Dates for your diary:

This diary is given in good faith to enable you to set your own diaries. There may be some changes beyond our control and we will communicate this through Class Dojo. There may also be additional events which we will inform you of as they occur. Please make sure we have your up to date phone number and e-mail.

Date	Day	Class/Year	Event	Information
27.11.26	Fri	All year groups	PTA Raffle donation and Non-uniform day	Please see information above. The information is also on Class Dojo. Thank you for your contributions and support.
25.11.26-27.11.26	Wed-Fri	Year 5	Robinwood	Year 5 Residential to Alston, Cumbria. More information on Class Dojo.
4.12.26	Friday	Year 1	Year 1 Family Worship	2 adults per child are invited to Year 1 Family Worship in our school hall at 2.15pm.
8.12.26	Tuesday	Rec – Year 6	Y1/3/5 Readers Nativity plus 15 Reception in Church	Y1/3/5 children as Nativity readers. 15 Reception children in Nativity scene (Mrs Brackstone will inform parents of which day your child is in the scene).
9.12.26	Wednesday	Rec – Year 6	Y2/4/6 Readers Nativity plus 15 Reception in Church	Y2/4/6 children as Nativity readers. 15 Reception children in Nativity scene (Mrs Brackstone will inform parents of which day your child is in the scene).
11.12.26	Friday	All raffle entries	Raffle Prize Draw	Raffle will be drawn for PTA Raffle. Please ensure tickets are returned to school by 3pm on Thursday 11th December.
14.12.26	Monday	Year 1 - Year 6	Cinderella Pantomime	Classes Year 1 to Year 6 Hartlepool Town Hall Theatre 10am showing.
15.12.26	Tuesday	Nursery	Nursery Nativity	9.30am Nursery Nativity in school hall. 2 adults per child welcome to join us.
16.12.26	Wednesday	All year groups	Christmas Lunch	Christmas Lunch for all children. Packed lunch children can join us for Christmas lunch – payable on Arbor. If your child is a packed lunch, but would like to join us for Christmas Dinner, please email admin2@hpoolholytrinity.org.uk by Fri 4th December.
16.12.26	Wednesday	Nursery	Nursery Christmas Party	Children to come to school in party clothes/ non-uniform for Nursery Christmas Party.
18.12.26	Friday	Rec – Y6	Christmas Party Afternoon	Children to come to school in party clothes /non-uniform for Christmas Party afternoon.
15.1.27	Friday	Y2	Year 2 Family Worship	2 adults per child are invited to Year 2 Family Worship in our school hall at 2.15pm.
19.3.27	Friday	Y5	Year 5 Family Worship	2 adults per child are invited to Year 5 Family Worship in our school hall at 2.15pm.
10.5.27-13.5.27	Monday – Thursday	Y6	SATS week	Further information shared on Class Dojo.
14.5.27	Friday	Y3	Year 3 Family Worship	2 adults per child are invited to Year 3 Family Worship in our school hall at 2.15pm.
19.5.27-21.5.27	Wednesday – Friday	Y6	Year 6	Year 5 Residential to Edinburgh. More information on Class Dojo.
1.7.27-2.7.27	Thursday – Friday	Y4	Year 4 Camping	Year 4 Camping Residential, Overnight Sleepover at Beamish.
16.7.27	Friday	Whole School	Holy Trinity Live	Live Music Event with each class performing and Summer Fair afternoon from 12.45pm-3pm.