



Horwood and Newton Tracey Community Primary School Newsletter

Friday, 10th December 2021

Dear parents, carers and children

It's getting very close to the end of term and in school we have had so many exciting things going on.

Christmas clay has now been made, fired and glazed in every class; Design and Technology days have taken place; Christmas singing and videos are underway and today we have our Inter Family Group "Sing off" judged by local celebrity, Yazzy.

If you haven't already signed up to our school Facebook page "HNTPS" and Instagram (Lovacott_school) then please do so, as we regularly share photos, updates and reminders this way.

Results of our Sing Off will be shared later today.

Next week, our Christmas celebrations continue with our Christmas lunch and raffle draw on Wednesday and our Christmas party lunch and visit from Santa on Friday.

Mrs Lisa Eadie
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Upcoming Trips and Dates

Tue, 14th December – **NO clubs**

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Wed, 15th December – **Christmas lunch** and raffle draw

Fri, 17th December – Christmas **party lunch** and **last day of term**

The Friends School Calendar

The Friends of the school have organised a wonderful school calendar with every child's self-portrait on it. They cost £7 each or 3 for £20 and can be ordered by returning the order slip or emailing the office. Payment is now set up via ParentPay. Final orders can still be taken.

After School Clubs

After school clubs are **finished for this term**. New clubs will be announced in the first week back.

Coloured Christmas Hampers

Thank you everybody for your generous colour themed donations for our hampers. The school councillors are busy selling tickets before school and at lunchtime out of the meeting room window. Do pop by and have a look at the hampers, drop off your sold ticket stubs or pick up more tickets to sell. Please can all ticket stubs and money be **returned by Tuesday** for the draw on Wednesday.

Staffing in Class 4

We were very fortunate to have Mr Lewis back this week to do some supply work in Class 4. Next term, Miss Wooddisse will be teaching 4 days a week and Mr Lewis has agreed to teach on Fridays. This means I can be released to do some reading booster work with Class 2 and Class 4 instead of covering a day's teaching commitment. I am looking forward to supporting the Year 2s and 6s especially in preparation for their SATs assessments. Mrs Eadie

School Menu

The menu for next week and the first week back to school is included with this week's newsletter and is on the website.



Tea @ 3 with Mrs Eadie

Tea @ 3 is awarded to those children who have kept the school "Golden Rules" and is a Friday afternoon reward of tea/hot chocolate, cake and biscuits with Mrs Eadie. To keep mixing of children to a minimum, Tea @ 3 will be held with 4 children from each class, each week. Today's pupils from Class 3 are: Eve, Isabel, Alex and Lewis. Well done!

Year 6 leavers' hoodies

The Year 6 leavers' hoodies are now available to order online at

<https://www.leavershoodies.com/horwood--newton-tracey-primary-school-2022-leavers>

These can be worn as uniform after Christmas. Thank you Mrs McFarlane for organising this.

Applying for a Reception School Place September 2022

The admissions portal is now open for Reception admissions for next year until 15th January 2022.

Admissions can be made online on the Devon County Council Primary Admissions page: [Apply for a reception or year 3 place at a primary school \(devon.gov.uk\)](#)

Family Group Points

Each week the children's individual reward "Dojo" points are being added together so a celebration cup can be awarded the winning Family Group. The winners last week were Taw – well done!

Parenting Course - January

The school is proposing to offer a 3 week parenting course in January. This is a supportive, non-judgemental opportunity to share parenting tips and advice and is open to mums, dads, grandparents and carers. The course will run on Wednesdays (12th, 19th and 26th January) from 2 – 3 pm at the school. A separate email will be sent out to book a place.

