



DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

Poppy Appeal

Thank you very much to everyone who supported the Poppy Appeal, a fantastic £345.12 was raised for this very worthwhile cause.

Children in Need We raised an amazing £416.10 through non-uniform day and a giant cake stall!



Nativities We have been treated to two absolutely fabulous Nativity Productions. Reception were adorable in their 'Nursery Rhyme Nativity' and Year 1 & Year 2 performed 'I'm Gonna Shine'. Well done to all the children and the teachers for all their hard work.



Harrogate Birds of Prey visited Willow Class with a gorgeous Barn Owl and magnificent Eagle Owl. The children really loved learning all about them.



Some of our Year 5/6 children took part in a **Football Festival** at Rossett High run by Sporting Influence. They were fantastic and made the school very proud by their achievement and conduct.



Here's the lovely [@ilkehomes](#) team dropping off hundreds of amazing gifts that all of our children will be shopping for soon. House points make prizes! We were also very grateful for the donation of an Advent Calendar for every child. Amazing generosity and we can't thank the team enough.



This term our topic has been focusing on our Community and inspirational people. We were delighted to welcome the Mayor and Mayoress of Harrogate into our school assembly to talk about their role.



Last Friday we all wore our festive jumpers for **Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day**. It was lovely to see such a variety of jumpers and we raised a wonderful £244.00. Thank you. It was also **Christmas Lunch Day** and we would like to say a big thank you to our Cook and kitchen staff for producing a very tasty Xmas lunch.



Evie made some gorgeous bracelets which she sold to the Junior pupils in aid of the **Children's Heart Surgery** in Leeds.



Our Year 1 to Year 6 children have all visited St Andrew's Church in Starbeck to take part in an **Advent Star Trail** learning about the meaning of Advent and Christmas through a series of reflective activities.



Applying for a Primary School place

If you are a parent or carer of a child living in North Yorkshire, who is eligible to start primary school in September 2020 (i.e. a child born between 1 Sep 2015 and 31 Aug 2016 inclusive), you will need to apply online for a primary school place at www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions. Paper applications can be requested by contacting 01609 533679. You must submit either an online or a paper application form **no later than 15 January 2020**. Late applications received after this date will be dealt with **after** those received on time.

Some of our Year 6 children once again entertained the residents at Collins Court with their wonderful **carol singing**. The residents certainly appreciated their visit.



Some of our talented musicians showcased their skills in an assembly this week. Well done to all those who took part, they were brilliant.



Holly, Pine & Willow visit to The Life Centre, Newcastle.

Earlier in the term Y1/Y2 enjoyed a very exciting visit to the Life Centre. They had a workshop in the Planetarium exploring the wonders of the universe and had a hands-on experience in the interactive museum.



Christmas Fair

A massive thank you to the Friends of Hookstone Chase for organising another fantastic Christmas Fair which raised over £1,400. It was lovely to see so many families supporting the event.

It was lovely to welcome **Noahs Ark Animal encounters and Woodland Adventure Company** to work with our Reception children this term.



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