





NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2020 PART 2

The end of term has finally arrived!

As we come to the end of the year 2020 I don't think it will be a year that any of us will forget, for so many reasons. As a school we have had to cope with things that have never even entered our heads and as a result, change, adapt and invent new ways of working. The staff have done the most amazing job of keeping your children safe, happy and learning. As Head Teacher, part of my job other than leading the school through such difficult times, is the well being of staff. All that I have asked of them in terms of new ways of working, approaches to teaching and support for the pupils has been carried out so well. Thank you staff, you are all amazing.

Staff Changes

Mrs Toomer will be leaving us to have her baby at the end of this term. She has done so well to keep going this term as her baby is due in early January. Well done Mrs Toomer! We wish you well and look forward to welcoming you back. Miss Wood is also having a baby, due in the summer term, so many congratulations to her. Miss Edwards will be taking over the teaching of Team Wood for the spring and summer terms, whilst Miss Wood will continue to support across different year groups before she goes on maternity leave.

It has been a term like no other, so my hope for all of the children and families at New Hall is that you all stay safe and well over the holiday. We look forward to seeing you all again in January 2021, when we can hope for a better year.

Very best wishes to you all Mrs Hanks



Reception Nativity

Throughout December, Reception have been learning the 'First Christmas Story'. They enjoyed re-telling the story and singing songs as part of this years, Covid Friendly Nativity. We were very disappointed to not be able to invite parents/carers in to school, to watch them live, however you will receive our online link for you to watch the performance in the comfort of your own homes! Merry Christmas from all of the EYFS team!





Mrs Galbraith

Thank you Mrs Galbraith and all kitchen staff for your hard work in preparing and serving our lovely Christmas dinner. It was so nice to see all children and staff tucking in enjoying their dinner together. Thank you



Community Swimming

We have places available for mother & baby and mother & toddler to have swimming lessons on a Tuesday morning at New Hall swimming pool during Term time.

The sessions are 30 minutes long and are £4.50 per session.

If you would like more information please call Cassie-Leigh the school office on 0121 464 5170. Frankie

Mobile Library

Did you know that on Friday of w/c 21st December the mobile library comes to Falcon Lodge?

It's free to use - all you have to do is sign up for a library card (or use your existing one if you already have one!)

- 2:10pm 2:25pm Falcon Lodge, Churchill Rd (Ogley Drive end)
- 2:30pm 3.15pm Falcon Lodge, Churchill Rd (lay by, opposite shops)

Why not pop along and borrow some books to read over the Christmas holiday?

For dates that the mobile library will be back in Falcon Lodge, keep checking at https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/50163/library_services/1479/mobile_library_service/4

Reminder.... Reception 2021

If your child was born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017, they will be able to start school in September 2021.

Parents please apply online for your child's Reception school place. You have till 11:59pm on 15th January 2021 to submit your choices. The national offer day will be 16th April 2021.

If you require any help please call 0121 303 1888.

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions



Bronze Achievement

Well done to the following children who have worked so hard for their bronze achievement certificate in being a caring individual, collaborative learner, a creative mind and a critical thinker.

Chukwuemerie Frankie Lilly-Anna **Zyhland** Lily Sophie Scarlett Lily-May Jack Callum Beca Lola Esme Jake Surabhi Connor Freya Oluwamayade Tamara Frankie James Eddie Benjamin Deborah Maleeka Filip Sophie Bruce Jake Alice Amelia Michael Mason Sienna Jo Lillie Kaydn Kenzo Natashia Ava-Belle James **Amalie** Chloe Lawson Romiah Mackenzie Oliver Tayshelice Lottie Sienna Arnav Jamie Lee Te'Morah Remiah Haleema Maisie Elisha **Emilee**

All children are now working towards their silver achievement card.





Governor Awards

Team Thomas - Paige

Governor Awards were awarded to....
Team Carpenter - Cassie - Leigh
Team Degville - Feryal
Team Rainbird - Nina
Team Durning - Rosalie
Team Lynch - Lola
Team White - Fatimah
Team Wood - Laila
Team Toomer - Jack
Team Dudley - Filip
Team Collis - Elsie Beau
Team Steadman - Joshika
Team Roberts - Junior



Star Burst

Team Carpenter

3rd December - Tamiah 10th December - Rosie

Team Degville

3rd December - Henry 10th December - Isabella

Team Rainbird

3rd December - Lilly-Anna 10th December - Frankie

Team Durning

3rd December - Rylee 10th December - Lily-Grace



Team Lynch

3rd December - Andreas 10th December - Ava Belle

Team White

3rd December - Ava 10th December - Azaan

Team Wood

3rd December - Ellie-Mai 10th December - Omar

Team Toomer

3rd December - Jenna 10th December - Lisiyah

Team Dudley

3rd December - Alice 10th December - Sophie

Team Collis

3rd December - Cee jai 10th December - Amira

Team Steadman

3rd December - Stavros 10th December - Karma

Team Roberts

3rd December - Ben 10th December - Sacha

Team Thomas

3rd December - Jayden
10th December - Romiah



Diary Dates 2020/21*

December

School closed - Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January 2021

January 2021

4th - School open to pupils

February

Half term - Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February 22nd - School open to pupils

March

4th - World Book Day Vocabulary Parade

April

School closed - Friday 2nd April (Bank Holiday) School closed - Monday 5th April - Friday 16th April 19th - School open to pupils

May

School closed - Monday 3rd May (Bank Holiday)

4th - School open to pupils Half term - Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June

June

7th - School open to pupils

July

School closed - Thursday 22nd July - Wednesday 1st September

*Teacher training days to be added

