

Halfway Nursery Infant News



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This week's updates...





Winter fair

Thank you for all your support at the winter fair today. We hope that you and your children had a lovely, festive time.

A special thank you to all our volunteer helpers for organising, preparing and running the stalls.

Harriet Barraclough, David Brearley, Victoria Brearley, Anna Brown, Emily Brown, Michelle Hinson, Franky Mitcham, Becky Parkinson, Liene Platina, Nicola Sandison, Katie Scott, Mark Scott, Ina Selita, Jayne Staniforth, Abi Topalli, Jo Wallace, Debra Wright, Joy Wright, Sue Moore, Morrisons for cake donation, Metcalfe and Sons Farm Ltd the large Elf donation

Congratulations to Leo D in Elmers who guessed that the elf was called Tangletoe. Congratulations to Beatrice in Rainbow Fish who guessed the number of sweets in the box. There were 103!

Raffle tickets

Our coloured hampers would be a great addition to your Christmas shop this year! To be in with a chance of winning one, raffle tickets are now on sale! They can be bought in-person at Christmas performances, or can be purchased on ParentPay for £1 per ticket.

When you purchase tickets via ParentPay you will not get a physical raffle ticket sent home, as we will use your information to populate an electronic random generator when we come to do the draw. Raffle tickets will be on sale until 17th December at 4pm, with the raffle being drawn on 18th December.







Christmas cards

We know lots of children like to send Christmas cards to their friends across school. Christmas cards can be brought into school from today. Each class has their own special Christmas card box in the entrance to the school office, where children can deliver their cards to. The school councillors will then distribute these cards. Please make sure children's names and classes are clearly written on the envelope, so our school councillors can deliver them successfully!



Community links

Rev Sue from St Mark's Mosborough will be leading our assemblies on Tuesday, where she will be telling children all about the Christmas story.

Last week our school councillors decorated a Christmas tree at St Mark's church. This is a lovely way to support our local community.



Family of Schools carol signing – 5th December

On Thursday children from all our local schools will be singing Christmas carols at Crystal Peaks outside Bon Marche at 4:30pm. Everyone is welcome to come and watch!

Father Christmas Visit – 6th December

Father Christmas will be paying us a special visit on Friday! Children are welcome to come to school in Christmas jumpers if they wish.

Santa Dash! – 9th December

All children (apart from nursery) will be taking part in a special Santa Dash sporting event at school, run by our sporting partners Points Network and some pupils from Halfway Junior School. Children do not need anything special for this event, apart from suitable shoes to take part in.

Superkids early closure

To help our staff get into the Christmas spirit, we are asking that, where possible children are collected by 5:30pm on Friday 20th December.

Fundraising - Easy Fundraising

Halfway Nursery Infant School are now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 8,000 retailers will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we would really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It is completely free and only takes a moment. You can find our easyfundraising page at <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=368739&invite=0pi4ct&referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral-campaign=web-refe

Diary dates



- Thursday 5th December ~ Family of Schools carol singing at Crystal Peaks (outside Bon Marche) ~ 4:30pm (year 2 choir only, but everyone is welcome to come and watch!)
- Friday 6th December ~ Rocksteady Concert at 9:30am, including the year 2 choir
- Friday 6th December ~ Father Christmas visit to school
- Monday 9th December ~ Santa Dash
- Tuesday 10th December ~ Nursery nativity (10:30am and 2pm)
- Wednesday 11th December ~ F2 nativity (9:30am)
- Thursday 12th December ~ Christmas jumper day, F2 nativity (2pm)
- Friday 13th December ~ F2 nativity (9:30am), year 1 nativity (2pm)

PE DAYS reminder

Please see below for the days when each class will have their PE lessons this half term:

- **Gruffalos and Elmers** ~ Monday (children come to school in their PE kit)
- Rainbow Fish ~ Wednesday and Thursday
- Hungry Caterpillars ~ Tuesday and Thursday
- Enormous Crocodiles ~ Tuesday and Friday
- Crafty Chameleons ~ Wednesday and Friday

Parking

We are trying to ease congestion outside the school by placing cones in locations that can cause difficulties for the flow of traffic when blocked. Where possible, please consider parking a little further away and walking into school.

Free parking is available in the Supertram car park.

Contact us

The main school office is open each day from 8am - 4pm, and the phone will be answered within these hours. Outside of these hours you will have the opportunity to leave an answer phone message, which will be replied to, if necessary, when the office is next open.

Absences

If your child is unable to attend school for any reason, please ring as early as possible on 0114 248 2360. Choose Option 2.



Halfway Heroes!



Well done to our learners of the week and our attendance winning class!



Overall school attendance = 89.1%

