



Halfway Nursery Infant News

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This week's updates...



Raffle tickets

Just a reminder that we will be drawing our coloured hamper raffle on 18th December. Tickets can be purchased on ParentPay or at our Christmas performances up until the end of the day on 17th December.

Christmas performances

For those who have already been, we hope you have enjoyed our Christmas performances. All performances will take place in the school hall. Please access the school hall via the **Station Road gate and the blue back doors**. Children will be allowed to go home after the afternoon performances, however, please bear with us whilst we walk them back to class to collect their belongings.

Arriving late to nursery

In nursery, our registers are taken at the start of each session before children start their learning activities. After 30 minutes of a session starting, registers will be closed. If you arrive after this time then you will need to come to the school office once you have dropped your child off at nursery so they can be marked as present.

Attendance update

At the end of last week our school attendance (for F2 and KS1) was 94.7%. This is very close to our target of 95%. 89 children had attendance at or above 95%, with 21 children having an amazing 100% attendance!

If your child's attendance has fallen below 90% you will be receiving a letter to tell you this, as well as support that can be offered to help improve this attendance.

Congratulations Jax!

Jax took part and won the South East Local Area Committee's bauble design competition! He won £100 Waterstones voucher for his class and a £20 Amazon voucher for himself!

PE day changes

Please see the PE timetable on the next page for changes to PE days from January.

Milk

If you have not already, please complete the milk form you have been sent to either order milk for your child for next term, or decline the option. Should we not hear from you by Thursday, we will assume your child does not want milk.

After school clubs

Information about our enrichment after-school clubs will be sent out tomorrow morning for when we return in the New Year. All clubs are open to children in Foundation Stage 2, year 1 and year 2 and will start in the second week back. Bookings can be made from tomorrow; please follow the information in the letter.

Spare trousers/ leggings needed!

Our spare clothing supply is starting to run low. We would be grateful for any donations of black trousers or leggings, particularly in sizes 7 years+.

Charity event

If you would like to buy Santa tickets or raffle tickets for this event which is raising money for the Children's Hospital, Amanda Bramwell will be selling them under the canopy by year 1 before and after school this week. Santa tickets cost £3 and include a gift and free photo opportunity and raffle tickets are £2 a ticket with over 100 prizes to be won.



Happy Christmas!

All the staff at Halfway Nursery Infant School would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
We look forward to welcoming all our families back on Tuesday 7th January 2025.



Diary dates



- **Tuesday 17th** ~ year 2 choir trip to Rose Cottage
- **Wednesday 18th December** ~ Christmas dinner day, year 2 nativity (2pm)
- **Thursday 19th December** ~ Nursery party day, year 2 nativity (9:30am)
- **Friday 20th December** ~ F2, year 1 and year 2 party day
- **Monday 6th January** ~ **INSET day** (school and nursery closed)

School closes for Christmas on Friday 20th December and reopens to all pupils on Tuesday 7th January 2025.

PE DAYS reminder

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

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

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!

THE ENORMOUS CROCODILES



Cooper
Gemma

CLASS 1

90%

The Crafty Chameleons



Ava P
Isla

CLASS 2

93.8%

The Rainbow Fish



Rory
Zoe

CLASS 3

97.1%

THE HUNGRY CATERpillARS



Ferne
Jacob

CLASS 4

85.2%

The Gruffalos




Everyone
For their amazing performances in their Nativity.

CLASS 5

99.2%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS!

The Elmers



Everyone
For their amazing performances in their Nativity.

CLASS 6

95%

Overall school attendance = 93.6%