



Halam Church of England Primary School

Life in all its fullness

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who has already returned their slip for an appointment at the Parents' Evenings. If you haven't yet returned your slip, please do so as soon as possible so that we can allocate the appointments, thank you.



Terrific Assembly Awards

Well done this week to:

Cherry Class: Silke for aspiring to be a super listener this week.

Aurelia for persevering with her maths.

Lola for persevering when coming into school each morning.

Maple Class: Emilia for joining her handwriting – keep it up!

Isaac for working hard in maths, particularly place value and rounding numbers up or down.

Oak Class: Ben for increased focus and concentration in lessons, well done!

Vesper for excellent effort in maths, with pleasing results.

Head Team Award: Clara for sitting nicely in assembly.

Lunchtime “Good Manners” Awards: Aurelia and Jonny

Best attendance this week: Oak Class – 100%!

Housepoints:
First – **Ruby** (54)
Second – **Sapphire** (49)
Third – **Emerald** (47)



Certificates from Home: Sidney – Octopus 2 swimming award



Birthdays: Arlow



Parent Governor Nominations

I am delighted to tell you that at the close of nominations on Monday morning we had a nomination for a Parent Governor – Mrs Gemma Bust. As Mrs Bust was the only nomination, she is elected as your new Parent Governor.



PTFA News

Logo Design – yesterday the children brought home a design template for a new logo for the PTFA. On the template it outlines what should be included, and explains how the winning design will be chosen. Please can we have all ideas returned by Friday, 7 November, thank you.

Autumn Ball – the children also brought home a flyer for the Autumn Ball which is being held on Friday, 7 November. Please make sure that you return the reply slip if your child is attending, even if you have paid online, thank you.

Christmas Card Project – the children will bring home a proof of their Christmas Card design today, with details on how to order. Please will parents and carers try to order before October 16th as early orderd generate more money for the PTFA at no further cost to you!



Open Evening for Children Starting School in September 2026

On Wednesday, 8 October we are holding an Open Evening from 3.30 – 5pm for children who will start school in September 2026. If you have a child who is due to start school then, you are very welcome to come along. Please feel free to spread the word to any friends you have who also has a child starting in September 2026.

Finally with this newsletter there is a flyer from Caunton Tennis Club about free tennis sessions.

Thank you for your continued support,

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Aly Speed
Executive Headteacher



Dates for the diary

Wednesday, 8 October	3.30 – 5pm Open Evening for parents & carers of children starting school in September 2026
Tuesday, 14 October	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 5.30pm
Thursday, 16 October	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 5.30pm
Friday, 17 October	<i>Break up for half term</i>
Monday, 3 October	School reopens for staff and pupils
Friday, 7 November	PTFA "Autumn Ball"
Wednesday, 12 November	PTFA meeting, 7.30pm in the School Hall
Friday, 14 November	Children in Need (more details to follow)
Tuesday, 25 November	Bag2School collection
Wednesday, 26 November	2 – 4pm Open Afternoon for parents & carers of children starting school in September 2026
Friday, 28 November	PTFA Non-uniform day for donations for the raffle hampers
Monday, 1 December	Christmas Craft Day (children may wear Christmas jumpers)
Friday, 5 December	PTFA Winter Fair
Tuesday, 9 December	Christmas Performances at 2pm & 6pm
Wednesday, 10 December	Whole school visit to the pantomime at Newark Theatre
Friday, 12 December	School closed to pupils for an INSET Day
Monday, 15 December	"Carols and mince pies" – Grandparents invited
Tuesday, 16 December	School Christmas Service at Halam Church – 9.15am, all welcome
Thursday, 18 December	School Christmas Party Day
Friday, 19 December	<i>Break up for Christmas</i>
Monday, 5 January 2026	School re-opens for the Spring Term