



# Halam Church of England Primary School

*Life in all its fullness*

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another busy week at Halam – we had Odd Socks Day on Monday, Remembrance on Tuesday, a visit from Professor Copeland on Wednesday, and Children in Need today! Thank you all for your help and support in all we do.



## **Terrific Assembly Awards**

Well done this week to:

- Cherry Class:** Connie for showing real **love** for learning, she even said, "I love learning!"  
Dolly for **aspiring** to be "on fire" every day this week!  
Chloe for showing genuine **enjoyment** in Science during our space talk.
- Maple Class:** Alice for great **partnership** during group work in PE.  
Sophia for independent fact finding in RE.
- Oak Class:** Kara for her super **partnership** skills, always working positively with others.  
Aubrey for his **perseverance** when doing tricky tasks – keep it up!

**Head Team Award:** Angelo for contributing well during assembly.

**Lunchtime "Good Manners" Awards:** Lola and Bobby

**Best attendance this week:** Maple Class – 98%

**Housepoints:**  
First – **Ruby** (53)  
Second – **Sapphire** (47)  
Third – **Emerald** (39)



**Certificates from Home:** Chloe – Stanley 1 Swimming Award  
Madison – moving up into the deep end at swimming  
Franki – 5<sup>th</sup> place in her gymnastics competition



**Birthdays:** Thomas & Franki



## **Bag2School Collection**

Our next Bag2School collection is on Tuesday, 25 November.

Please leave any items for collection in bags outside the school office before 9am, (or just inside the door if it is raining).

There is a full list of items that they collect on the website: <https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect>

If you are unable to get the items to school on the day, please give them to Rebecca Bower or Gemma Bust before Tuesday. Many thanks for your support.



## PTFA Logo Competition

If there are any more designs for the PTFA Logo Competition, please can we have them returned by Friday, 7 November, thank you. There are spare templates available from the Office if anyone needs an extra one!

Finally, with this newsletter there is a flyer about a Forest School Club on Saturday, 6 December, and a poster about the pre-loved Christmas Jumper Sale taking place at the Southwell Late Night Shopping Event (any donations would be gratefully received!) – the Choir will be performing at 5.55pm on that evening too!

Thank you for your continued support,

*AE Speed*

Aly Speed  
Executive Headteacher



## Dates for the diary

<b>Tuesday, 25 November</b>	Bag2School collection
<b>Wednesday, 26 November</b>	2 – 4pm Open Afternoon for parents & carers of children starting school in September 2026
<b>Thursday, 27 November</b>	5.55pm School Choir singing at Late Night Shopping Global Neighbours' pre-loved Christmas Jumper Stall
<b>Friday, 28 November</b>	PTFA Non-uniform day for donations for the raffle hampers
<b>Monday, 1 December</b>	Christmas Craft Day (children may wear Christmas jumpers)
<b>Friday, 5 December</b>	PTFA Winter Fair
<b>Tuesday, 9 December</b>	Christmas Performances at 2pm & 6pm
<b>Wednesday, 10 December</b>	Whole school visit to the pantomime at Newark Theatre
<b>Friday, 12 December</b>	School closed to pupils for an INSET Day
<b>Monday, 15 December</b>	"Carols and mince pies" – Grandparents invited
<b>Tuesday, 16 December</b>	School Christmas Service at Halam Church – 9.15am, all welcome
<b>Thursday, 18 December</b>	School Christmas Party Day
<b>Friday, 19 December</b>	<i>Break up for Christmas</i>
<b>Monday, 5 January 2026</b>	School re-opens for the Spring Term