



Halam Church of England Primary School

Life in all its fullness

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year!

Welcome back after the Christmas Holiday, I hope that you have all had a lovely break. The children seem to have settled back into school life brilliantly, despite the crazy weather. A special "welcome" to our new children and their families – we hope that you will be very happy with us at Halam CofE Primary School.



Terrific Assembly Awards

Well done this week to:

Cherry Class: Harry for showing that he **enjoys** his learning and joins in with a positive and cheerful attitude.

Charlotte for showing such a wonderful attitude, and continuing to **aspire** to work hard every day.

Polly for showing a real **love** of learning, and always approaching activities with enthusiasm.

Maple Class: Arlow for an improvement in his attitude.

Bella for **persevering** in maths and working hard.

Oak Class: India for showing a **love** of maths – excellent multiplication work!

Jacob for his super reading comprehension skills.

Head Team Award: Sienna for settling into Maple Class so well.

Lunchtime "Good Manners" Awards: Ronald and Millie

Best attendance this week: Cherry Class – 98%

Housepoints:
First – **Ruby** (73)
Second – **Sapphire** (53)
Third – **Emerald** (47)



Certificates from Home: Franki – 1st place in a pom-pom competition



School Council Cake Sale

School Council would like to hold a Cake Sale to raise money for new goal posts for the playground. The sale will be on **Friday, 23 January**, please bring any donations of cakes to the Office that morning and send your child with 50p to buy themselves a cake at breaktime. There may be the opportunity for parents and carers to buy any leftover cake at hometime.



Menu Change – Thursday, 15 January

There is a change to the menu on Thursday, 15 January, and IFG (our catering company) are serving a "western themed lunch"!

The children may choose from:

- Pork & beef "bonfire banger" with "campfire beans" and "western wedges"
- Plant based "bonfire banger" with BBQ beans and "western wedges"

- Baked potato with cheese/beans/tuna mayo/cheese & beans
- Tuna mayo filled roll
- Cheese filled roll
- Dessert: "cowboy chillin' vanilla ice-cream"

Please will parents and carers go on to the IFG website before midnight on Saturday to check their child's meal order, thank you.

Finally, with this newsletter there is a Winter newsletter from the Healthy Families Team, a flyer from Caunton Tennis Club about Pickleball classes for beginners, and a flyer from Canoville Coaching about their February Half Term Football Camps.

Thank you for your continued support,

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Executive Headteacher



Dates for the diary

Monday, 12 January	DAaRT sessions start for Oak Class (Music lessons start this week)	
Thursday, 15 January	"Western" themed lunch	<i>*new date</i>
Wednesday, 21 January	Reverend Mary & Jeremy leading Collective Worship	
Friday, 23 January	Cake Sale	<i>*new date</i>
Wednesday, 28 January	Tennis tasters with Caunton Tennis Club	
Wednesday, 4 February	Tennis tasters with Caunton Tennis Club	
Monday, 9 February	Children's Mental Health Week	<i>*new date</i>
Tuesday, 10 February	Safer Internet Day	<i>*new date</i>
Wednesday, 11 February	PTFA Film Night at the Village Hall	
Friday, 13 February	School closed for INSET <i>Break up for February Half Term</i>	