



Harlow Fields School and College

Family Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of another term, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful progress our pupils have made and the vibrant community we continue to build together. The festive season is upon us, and our school and college are beautifully presented with Christmas trees, sparkling lights, and festive decorations, truly embodying the spirit of this season.

I am excited about the upcoming weeks as we celebrate our pupils' achievements through merit assemblies and various festive activities. It is heartwarming to see our community come together, and I look forward to sharing these special moments with many of you.

I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge our amazing staff, who are working tirelessly to make the end of term truly memorable for all. A special thank you goes to our incredible PTA, who generously dedicate their time to arrange their famous cake sales for our end-of-term celebrations. Additionally, I would like to express my gratitude to Michelle Sparks and Megan Trigg for delivering our online workshops to families.

We are excited to announce our next **virtual workshops** - links to follow:

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| Earwig Workshop Date: 10th December at 4.30pm | Speech and Language Workshop Date: 17th December at 4.30pm |
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Our class teams are currently finalising their newsletters, which will provide insights into what our children and young people have been learning, as well as what they will explore in the next half term. Where appropriate, you will find suggestions on how to extend this learning at home.

Wishing you an enjoyable lead into Christmas.

Kathleen M. Faherty
Headteacher

Festive Dates for Your Diary:

- ★ **Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner:** Date: Friday, 13th December(See the menu below!)
- ★ **Upper School Merit Assembly:** Date: Monday, 16th December Time: 1:45 PM(PTA Cake Sale)
- ★ **6th Form Merit Assembly:** Date: Tuesday, 17th December Time: 2:00 PM
- ★ **Lower School Merit Assembly/Classroom Activities:** Date: Wednesday, 18th DecemberTime: 2:00 PM(PTA Cake Sale)
- ★ **Christmas Grotto:** Date: Wednesday, 18th December
- ★ **PMLD Merit Assembly:** Date: Thursday, 19th December Time: 2:00 PM(PTA Cake Sale)
- ★ **End of Term:**Date: Friday, 20th December Note: ½ day for pupils and young people

We would like to extend a **HUGE** thank you to our wonderful families, friends, and dedicated staff for their incredibly generous donations of Christmas trees, lights, and decorations. Your contributions have truly transformed our school into a festive wonderland, making this holiday season so joyous for everyone. **A special shout-out goes to one of our talented parents who crafted this tactile Christmas tree (see below),** now proudly displayed in our Lower School. We know our pupils will absolutely LOVE opening the presents at the end of term!

All of your generosity has helped create a magical festive atmosphere, and we are so grateful for your support. Thank you all for making this time of year so special for our school community!

