

HEYHOUSES NEWS

Newsletter Autumn Term December 1st 2023

December at Heyhouses!

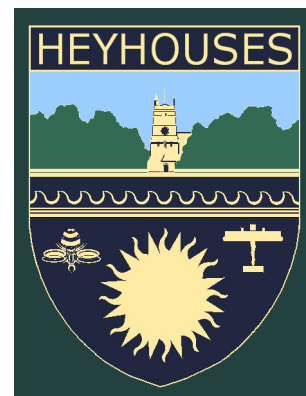


We have had a wonderful start to December in school.

We began the week with the final Reception Nativity Play, followed by the Year 2 Nativity play with the Year 5 choir. The week continued with Year 6 and Year 4 attending St Margaret's church for the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols.

On all these occasions the children's confidence and enthusiasm stood out; as Headteacher I was very proud of all the children.

Thank you to all parents who helped with any of these events, your support makes a huge difference.



"..Many Hands make a House

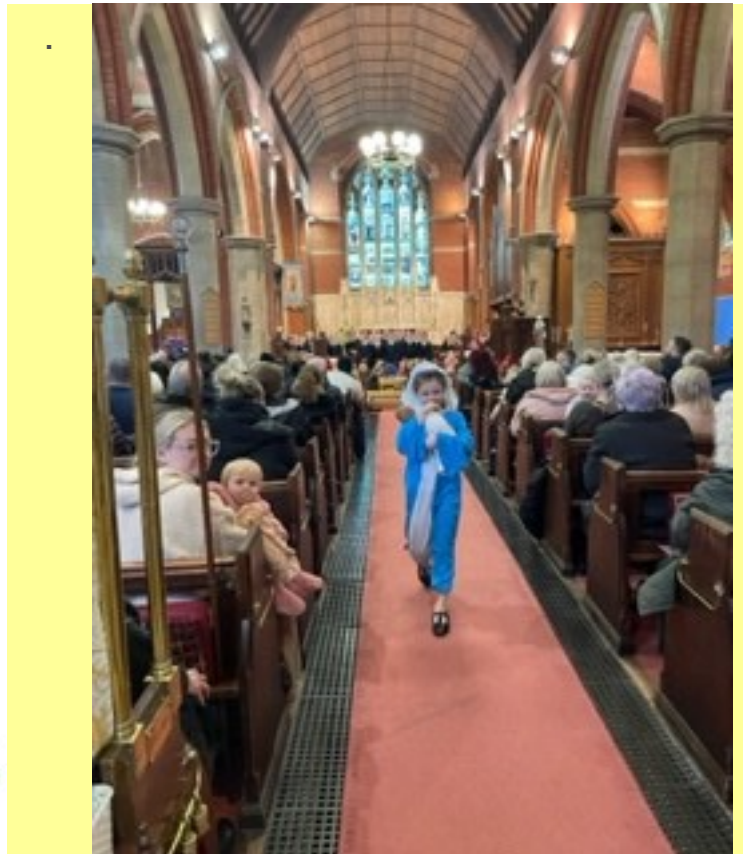
But many Hearts make our School."

- Heyhouses School Hymn



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Year 2 were amazing this week! Well done to everyone!



Thank you to Year 5 for being a wonderful choir. Well done to the small groups, soloists and duets. You were brilliant.





The year 2 and year 5 children enjoyed working together. It was a wonderful team effort. Thank you to Mrs Pomfret and Mrs Kimber for their hard work directing and to Mr Fish for organising the 'flow of events' from the back. Thank you to Mrs Powlesland for the uplifting music and for training the children to sing.





The Christmas Tree Festival starts at St Annes Parish Church from tomorrow and runs for a week.

The school tree is dedicated to Breast Cancer UK. The children in all year groups have made decorations, all of them PINK!. Thank you to Mrs Lord for making these with the children and to Mrs Lord and Mrs Sutcliffe for decorating the tree so beautifully. Please support our cause and the Charity Christmas Tree Festival.



GRAND CHRISTMAS DRAW

Well done to all those who won prizes in our Grand Christmas Draw.

Thank you to everyone who supported.

**The Disco and Draw together raised
£3130.00**

Thank you to all the PTA but especially Mrs Sutcliffe, Mrs Davies, Mrs Whalley and Mrs Slack.

Also a huge thank you to all the teachers and parents who gave up their time to make the event so successful.

If you enjoyed the evening why not come along to our next
PTA meeting?



We are raising money for lots of things in school but we would really like some Outdoor Gym Equipment for the Junior site, please give generously.

Carol Services

Year 6 and Year 4 children will once again represent Heyhouses at local carol services. Both St Margaret's Parish Church and St Annes Parish Church have invited us to sing.

Heyhouses is the church school for both parishes and we feel it is important that our school plays a significant part in linking school and community.

Carol Services

Carol Service on **Sunday 17th December**

at St Annes Parish Church at 6:30p.m.

Year 4 and Year 6 have learnt different carols and will be performing these at the services.

The service at St Margaret's on Tuesday night was inspiring, the children were a credit to Heyhouses and their parents. The children should be very proud of their singing and excellent behaviour.

Well done!



[Click here take the survey](#)

**or scan the QR code to complete the survey by Friday
15th December and make your voice heard!**



By now, I hope that you have seen my national campaign The Big Ambition. Please ensure you have shared this survey with the children and parents within your school community.

Children or parents can complete the survey here: www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition.

Further resources are available on our [website](#).

It is really important that the pupils at Heyhouses Endowed Church of England Primary School have participated in The Big Ambition survey and had their say.

I want to ensure that the voices of all children in Lancashire are fairly represented in the findings so that I can share their views with the most senior members of the country.

I must reiterate that it is vital that all children have their voice heard through this survey because, as Children's Commissioner for England, I have a statutory duty to protect and promote the views and interests of children. The Big Ambition provides a much-needed opportunity for the children of England to tell political decision makers what is important to them ahead of the General Election. I will be sharing their responses with Government to ensure that children's voices are heard.

Please share the survey and resources with teachers in your school and encourage them to use it in their lessons. Children can complete the survey in assemblies, form times, PSHE or in other lessons this term. The survey can also be done as homework and parents can assist children who cannot complete the survey themselves (children under 5 and children with Special Educational Needs). This is a great opportunity to teach children about politics and why it is important for them to use their voice. Be sure to check out the lesson plans on my website if you want to teach your pupils more about politics before they fill in the survey!

Please do get in touch if you have any problems. My team is happy to support with the roll out in any way we can.

Yours sincerely,

Dame Rachel De Souza

Children's Commissioner for England

SCHOOL INFORMATION AND ADDITIONAL EMAIL ADDRESS

enquiries@heyhouses.lancs.sch.uk

To ensure that our school database is always kept up to date we are introducing a new email address to allow our families to contact the school office directly regarding all matters relating to your child's details that we have on our database. Examples of this type of information are:

- Change of their school meal pattern
- Change of medical information.
- Change of dietary information. For example, any allergies or intolerances that your child might develop or any religious considerations the school needs to be aware of.
- Change in school permissions regards photos and work being placed on the school website.
- Change of address and telephone numbers
- Change in daily pick-up arrangements.

For safeguarding reasons, we do require any changes to your child's details to be made in writing in order for us to action the change, so please utilise this method to ensure we can best meet your child's requirements.

The class email address will still be in place, but these are to be used for direct questions regarding your child's learning not for general information. The email address is enquiries@heyhouses.lancs.sch.uk and is operational with immediate effect.

Please note that all absences **MUST** still be completed via Parentapps and the school must be informed everyday of your child's absence.

When you are Christmas shopping, please support Heyhouses by doing online shops through Easy Fundraising. The QR code will take you to the site or all the information is below.

39 supporters have raised £450—every penny helps. Thank you so much!



From today, through Easy Fundraising we have the chance of winning a £100 donation for Heyhouses C.E. Primary School **every day!**

As a supporter all you need to do each day is visit our Advent Calendar page and open the window. But wait, there's more! With each entry, you'll automatically enter our Christmas Day grand prize draw to win a huge **£5,000 donation for Heyhouses C.E. Primary School**, thanks to Dunelm!

Make every day in the lead up to Christmas count!

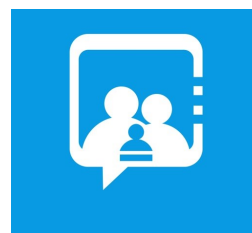
Our Parentapps communication system is now up and running.

Attendance

Please remember to use it to tell us if your child is not in school.

The Absence Reporting tab is there on the Home Page.

Please note we are unable to reply to absence messages but we do receive them and they are recorded on our system. Let us know if



Contact Us

Phone 01253 722014

Option 1

Sir John Alcock Building Years 1 and 2 are in the Sir John Alcock Infant building

Option 3

Westall Building

Junior classes and Reception classes are in the Westall building

Option 5

Breakfast and After School Club