### **HEYHOUSES NEWS**

**Newsletter Autumn Term 2022 December** 

### **Happy Christmas!**

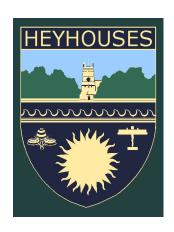


At the end of another very special year for Heyhouses I would like to wish all our families a very Happy Christmas. The children have been greatly looking forward to the holiday. Governors, staff and pupils hope that everyone is able to enjoy the time away from work and school and return refreshed in the new year.

2022 has been a significant year in the life of Heyhouses, we have many special memories to look back over.

To the parent body, thank you for your kindness and support over the last twelve months, your understanding and loyalty has been greatly appreciated. Thank you to the PTA for all their fundraising for school, the huge amount they have raised is testament to their hard work and the generosity of so many friends of Heyhouses. Our school continues to go from strength to strength. We hope and pray that 2023 will be a happy and peaceful new year for everyone.

Happy Christmas to all our Heyhouses families and friends. May the Peace of the Christ Child fill you with all joy and happiness this Christmas tide.



"..Many Hands make a House

But many Hearts make our School."

- Heyhouses School Hymn



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# The Family Hub

Support Guidance Help Advice
Signposting to outside agencies
Infant Massage

International Association of Infant Massage Qualified

Regular Coffee and Chat Drop In

Uniform Exchange

**New** to the **Community** Groups

Cooking on a Budget

School **Holiday** Activities

Nursery to School Transitions and Settling in Groups

**Food donations** 

"Take what you need, and give what you can"









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School Carol Service

**Tomorrow** 

1:30pm.

St Annes Parish Church

All Welcome!

Year 6 are reading the lessons and all juniors will be taking part.

The Snow Globe Year 2 Nativity

Thank you to all of Year 2 for a wonderful performance on both Monday and Tuesday. We had everything in our play this year, even a dancing donkey! The children sang beautifully, narrators spoke clearly and all the actors entertained us with the story; thank you Year 2!

Thank you to all the Year 2 staff who worked tirelessly to get the play ready, it was a credit to everyone involved, children and adults alike. I know everyone who saw it went away with happy memories and a song or two on repeat!

Year 5 Choir you were amazing too. Thank you for supporting Year 2 in telling the story of The Snow Globe.

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Well done to all soloists, you sang beautifully and added to the production in so many ways.

Year 4 Civic Carol Service

Thank you to the children in Year 4 who sang at the Carol Service on Friday.

You were a credit to your school and your families with your beautiful singing and wonderful enthusiasm. The Mayor of Fylde and the MP were impressed.



Thank you to the PTA for organising the Christmas Discos last Friday. The evenings were a tremendous success and the children all had a wonderful time.

Special Thanks to Sue Whalley, Claire Sutcliffe and Sarah Davies for all the extra hours they put into the evening. Thank you also to all the staff who gave up their Friday night at home to support school.

The evening and the Christmas Draw raised £3800 for the PTA.

Thank you everyone who gave so generously. The money will be used for special projects to enhance curriculum provision.



## THE FAMILY HUB

### Cooking on a Budget

We are running a free course for six families on how to cook on a budget.

The aim is to teach people how to cook a healthy nutritious meal for a

family of four on a budget of £5.

They will learn everything from the preparation to the cooking. This will include, but not be limited to, nutritional & dietary advice and health & safety in the kitchen. Our aim is to promote healthy eating, while giving the family the confidence and knowledge in preparing a healthy meal.

All ingredients are provided FREE

5-week course starting Friday 13th January 9.30am Heyhouses Family Hub



Week 1 - Sausage meat ball pasta

Week 2 - Vegetable Biryani

Week 3 - Potato and Pepper Frittata

Week 4 - Vegetable Chilli

Week 5 - Mixed bean Enchilada



For more information, and to book, please contact us by Email

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We thoroughly enjoyed Bailey the Therapy dog visiting school and we hope that our Elf Dash will raise lots of money for Brian House and the work they do to help children.

The children enjoyed dancing round school last Friday afternoon. Despite the cold weather the classes got into the spirit of the event and sang as they danced.

If you are able to make any donation, however small, we know it will be greatly appreciated by the families who rely upon the support of Brian House.

Well done children for thinking of others at this time of year.













#### **ADMISSIONS TO PRIMARY SCHOOL 2023**

Lancashire County Council's school admissions for children starting primary school in September 2023 has been opened since September. Parents must apply online at

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

The national closing dates for applications are:

#### 15 January 2023 for primary applicants

#### Morning Road Safety

ALL Children in Year 3 and 4 must be brought to the playground and the class-room doors, they must not be left to walk unaccompanied. We have had

several distressed children who have been dropped off and told to make their own way into school.

Please walk with your child or ring Breakfast club if you needed earlier provision. 01253 722014

Or email: afterschoolclub@heyhouses.lancs.sch.uk



I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me. Philippians 4:13

#### **Sunday Worship**

St Annes Parish Church 10:30 a.m.

St Margaret's Parish Church 10 a.m.

#### **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** 

#### Do YOU want to be a PARENT GOVERNOR?

We currently have a vacancy and are seeking nominations from our parents.

Mrs Geraldine Clarkson has just completed her time as Parent Governor and did a wonderful job during her years in office. She was extremely valuable for her expertise on school and we would like to thank her for all her hard work as a Governor. We now need someone to step into the position she has left.

A whole set of paperwork will be coming home in the next day or two giving you all the information you need to be nominated.

Nominations must be received by Wednesday 4th January at 12 noon.

Ballot papers go out on Monday 9th January and the ballot will be closed on Monday 23rd January at 12 noon. Ballot boxes will be in both reception areas near the office hatches.

The vote will be counted at 1p.m. on 23rd January.

#### **Lateness and Appointments**

We have an increasing number of children who are late for school on a regular, sometimes daily basis.

Registration takes place at 8:55 a.m. Registers close at 9:05 a.m.

Arriving after 9:05 a.m. will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, and any time between 8:55 and 9:05 a.m. will be recorded as late. We will obviously not apply this to a one off lateness due to car failure or a family crisis.

Families with a problem of repeated lateness will be receiving a letter and an attendance print out giving them the current situation. Lateness after 9:05a.m. which are unauthorised sessions count in the ten unauthorised absences which could lead to a penalty fine. Some children are now getting close to this number and we will be contacting their parents directly.

Dentist, doctor and specialist appointments will be authorised absences but only with a letter or appointment card. So many appointments of this nature are taken on a Friday from 1 p.m. we have had to ask for formal proof of appointment.





Thank you to PTA and the Lytham Schools Foundation who have supported our new Library at the infants.

The picture above is of the new design. Installation takes place tomorrow and we will hold a special Library Opening in the new year.

We are inviting parents to 'Sponsor' books in our new infant library. We will put a Book Plate with your family name in any books which are sponsored.

We hope this way to build up our stock of new books, both fiction and non fiction.