



# HLA News

Friday 16th December 2022



Dear Families,

We have had lots of Christmas activities happening this week, the students have really enjoyed this week.

This our students were radio stars! Star Radio came into school and recorded interviews and the students singing 11 Sleeps til Santa. The students who were interviewed were so confident and everyone sang so enthusiastically. I hope you managed to listen in, it really was great.

This week the upper school have applied more of their enterprise skills when they held a Christmas Shop. Students were invited along to buy gifts for loved ones. There was even a wrapping service, we hope you enjoy your surprise gifts that were carefully chosen by your children and wrapped by our students. The students raised £200 from this event which will contribute to Key Stage 4 activities.

On Tuesday students from the upstairs classes took part in a Christingle service at St Georges Church in Littleport. We had some lovely feedback from the church staff about how the students conducted themselves. They commented that the learners were fabulous and so engaged. They said that they wished everyone would be so ready to join in and be so attentive like the students were on Tuesday. A huge thank you is to be passed on to staff and learners for making the afternoons service so amazing.

Students in S2 have been working so hard at their home management and personal care skills. Students enthusiastically wash up, clear tables and are responsibly looking after their classroom. Please do help your child to apply these skills at home. I am sure everyone would like some help to wash up those dishes from Christmas lunch!

Sparrows class have been demonstrating their kindness and team work skills beautifully this week. They have been so friendly to their class mates and when one was upset they worked hard together to support each other and make each other feel happy. We see our learning values demonstrated in everything that we do – well done everyone.

On Monday we had the pleasure of a visit from Littleport Brass Band. Students loved being exposed to different types of musical instruments and loved all of the festive tunes they played. A great experience for all involved. The students and staff returned from the hall singing and humming lots of festive songs!

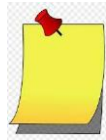
Our last day of term is Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. We will be enjoying our Christmas lunch on this day, also don't forget to wear your Christmas jumper! We return to school after the break on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January.

Wishing you all a safe and happy Christmas break as this is the last newsletter of 2022. See you all in 2023!

With all best wishes,

Yvonne Skillern

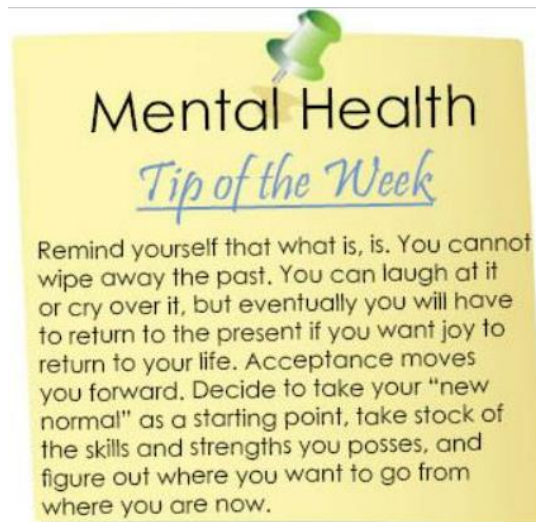
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## Important Information



- We have a Christmas Movie afternoon on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Students are invited to bring in money to purchase snacks in support of the School Council. Items will be no more than 30p each.
- Christmas Dinner is on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. No other options for lunch will be available on this day and you need to ensure that you have pre-ordered.
- Our Christmas Jumper Day is on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December.
- Our pupil Christmas performance video will be shared on Class Dojo school pages on Monday. Due to safeguarding purposes we cannot share the link widely. Please do not distribute the video and be reminded that it is for personal viewing only as not all students have permission to be shared.
- Please ensure parents and carers report any online safety or child protection concerns that occur outside of school to the relevant authorities. It helps if we are informed of incidents so that we can support students at school but if you feel a child is in danger parents must report this to the police or social care.
- We are still looking for more willing volunteers to join our parents and carer group SOHLA. There will be a formal meeting after Christmas but if you want to get in touch in the meantime please email [office@highfieldlittleport.org](mailto:office@highfieldlittleport.org) and your message will be sent on to our co-chairs.
- We are a nut free school so please do not send in any products containing nuts.



## Online Safety Tip of the Week:

### Supervision while Online

I am sure lots of students will be having mobile tech or consoles that are able to access the internet this Christmas. Please be reminded that children need to be supervised when accessing online content. People are not always who they say they are online and we need to ensure that everyone stays safe. There are lots of security settings that can assist with keeping children safe online. Check out the Department for Education document 'Support for Parents and Carers to keep Children Safe Online' published in February 2022 for lots of useful information.