



## Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

# Newsletter

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Website: [www.haslingfieldschool.co.uk](http://www.haslingfieldschool.co.uk)

*Learning and achieving together in a safe, happy environment*

### Diary Dates:

**Mon 6 Jan** – Staff training day – no children in school

**Tue 7 Jan** – Start of Spring term



### Agora

As from 1/1/14 you will be able to pay for OOSC, breakfast club, dinners and trips on our online payment system Agora. We would encourage parents to use this method of payment whenever possible.



### Dinner Money

Dinner money for next term will be £121.80 for the whole term or £60.90 for half a term.



Mr McLeod and all the staff would  
like to wish everyone a  
very **MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



### Carol Service

Well done to everyone for the Carol Service this morning. You all performed really well.



### Haslingfield Young Little Theatre Beginners Workshops

In January, workshops will begin for those of you who would like to join **Haslingfield Young Little Theatre**. As well as acting on the stage, participants will be able to go up into the Little Theatre lighting box to learn about lights, into the loft to see all their costumes and props, and undertake practical sessions on making sounds and doing scary makeup. The workshops are open to anyone from 8 to 11 years of age and will take place on 19th & 26th January and 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd February from 9.30am to 11.00am in Haslingfield Village Hall. If you are interested to get in touch with Cheryl Lowery on [cheryllowery@btinternet.com](mailto:cheryllowery@btinternet.com)

From Haslingfield Young Little Theatre



### Birds and Bugs at Fowlmere

Fowlmere Bullfinches RSPB Explorers Club are holding a Birds and Bugs at Fowlmere day on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January, 10.30am – 12.30pm. Cost £1 member £2 non members. They will be improving and renovating their bug hotel and making bird feeders. For more information email [fowlmerebullfinches@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:fowlmerebullfinches@hotmail.co.uk).



### New Year Party

Meridian Primary School are holding a New Years Eve Party to raise money for a school in Gambia.

Tickets: £25 from Liz: 07803 123023 or Julia: 07711 849077.



**Ash – Miss Peck and Mrs Campbell:**

Well it has been a very Christmassy last week of term. We have had Christmas parties and lunches, made lots of Christmas crafts and cards and sung carols in the church. We have enjoyed reading Christmas stories and talking about how we celebrate Christmas at home. We have revised all our phonics, ready to start new sounds in the New Year and practised sequencing numbered Christmas baubles. We'd like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and look forward to welcoming you all back next year.

- Literacy – Phonics Revision.
- Numeracy – Number Sequencing.



**Birch – Mrs Lovett and Mrs Lione:**

We have had such an exciting last week of term. Craft Day was so busy! We took part in a selection of Christmas activities and our buddies helped us. We loved Santa's visit during our Christmas party. He brought us some super toys which we will be using next term. We enjoyed singing our carols and songs in the church, especially Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer! We have had a really super first term in Birch Class but are all looking forward to a lovely holiday. Happy Christmas everyone!

- Literacy and Numeracy – Revision and assessment



**Hazel – Mrs Stepney:**

This week we have finished making our books 'The First Christmas'. We retold the story and made stained glass window covers for our books. We have also had a go at weaving, creating Christmas sacks using different coloured paper. Mrs Fordham and I wish you all a very happy Christmas.

- Literacy – To retell the story of the first Christmas.
- Numeracy – To complete a variety of Christmas maths challenges.



**Hawthorn – Miss Wernham:**

What a week! We have enjoyed lots of festive activities but also managed to fit in some science; investigating how to separate two solids using different items as 'sieves'!

Have a super Christmas break everyone!



**Oak – Mrs Nussey and Mrs Wells:**

Our final week this term has been fun yet fruitful. We had a fabulous party, with games, dancing, cakes and a special visit from Santa Claus, followed by a busy yet relaxed craft day. The Christmas lunch was delicious and a treat for us all. We failed to convict Mrs Butler, under court conditions in our classroom, of putting up the secret snowmen but we are hopeful that the perpetrator will be caught soon. Our Christmas numeracy challenge was exciting and everyone collaborated well. The children made a fantastic job of clearing up the classroom and Mrs Nussey's thanks go particularly to those individuals who worked independently and hard to clear the space outside. Happy Christmas!

- Literacy – To produce a final draft of our non-chronological reports.
- Numeracy – Tangrams, 10 point stars, time and temperature.



**Beech – Mrs Creamer:**

It's been a week of finishing off, food, festivities, films and fun.

In the middle of it all we have managed to complete our journalistic writing. Have a fabulous Christmas. See you in 2014!

