

Newsletter
Friday 10th February 2017

Sports Hall Athletics Success



Our amazing Sports Hall Athletics team pulled out all the stops when they competed at the Sports Hall Athletics finals at the Huddersfield Sports Barn on Tuesday morning. Every member of the team performed brilliantly and against extremely tough competition from some very large schools we finished 3rd overall. What a great achievement! The children were very proud to receive their bronze medals in assembly

and I'm sure they will have inspired younger pupils to compete in the future. Thank you to parents and family members who transported pupils to and from the competition/s and to Mrs Farquhar and Miss Giles for working with the children to hone their athletics skills.

Year 6 Football Final

On Friday 3rd February our year 6 teams played in the Kinder Cup at CPP Canalside (Huddersfield Town's training ground!!) The winning team had chance to play at the John Smiths Stadium at half time and potentially go through to play at Wembley so the children and especially Mr Sunderland, were very excited.



We had an A and B team playing and we were really proud of them all for their supreme efforts. The A team got through to the semi-finals and the B team played well but were knocked out at the group stages. Lepton won overall – so well done to them!



Royal Shakespeare Company Performance

On Tuesday, Mr Sunderland and a group of 17 year 5 and 6 Shakespeare and drama enthusiasts walked up to Honley High School to see a performance of the Tempest. The children thoroughly enjoyed the whole play and are now working towards their own performance ready for this year's Shakespeare Festival in Beaumont Park. The plan is that schools from the Honley Partnership will perform the Tempest with each school having their own scene/s - ours is Act V. The children involved are really excited now they have seen the play and I'm sure their performance will be just as inspirational.

Year 6 Trip to the National Coal Mining Museum



This week, all of year 6 went down the mine! We had a 'hands-on' experience, guided by an ex-miner, who showed us all how to pick the coal, collect it in buckets (under the watchful eyes of very scary Deputies – role played by children!) and send it through the chutes. We also spent some time with Sally Fletcher in a workshop where she told us all about how it felt to be a 6 year old on her first day in the mines in Victorian times. The day passed so quickly, and we learnt so much – and our year 6s behaved beautifully, representing our school so well.

Christingle Services

We all enjoyed a lovely walk in the sunshine to St Mary's Church for our Christingle services on Tuesday 7th February. Mr Wood led us in singing a jolly Christingle song and everyone enjoyed holding their glowing Christingles for the prayer. Thank you to all the parents, carers, family and friends that came along to celebrate with us and walk to and from school - we made a very happy procession through Honley.



World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March by inviting our children to bring their favourite books into school to share with each other. There'll be inter-year group reading sessions, quizzes and other activities. So hunt out your favourite page-turner ready for the day.

Reminders:

We are still finding that some parents/carers are trying to drop off and pick up on the zig-zag lines outside school which is extremely dangerous. Remember that for the safety of everyone cars need to be parked away from school and should not enter the school car park.

Diary Dates

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| 13/2/17 | FOHJS meeting 2pm |
| 14/2/17 | Valentines' Disco 6:00-7:00pm - Years 3/4 7:15-8:15pm - Years 5/6 |
| 17/2/17 | School closes |
| 27/2/17 | School opens |
| 1/3/17 | Strictly Pennine at the Lawrence Batley Theatre |
| 2/3/17 | World Book Day – Bring your favourite book to share |
| 9/3/17 | Parents' and carers' evening |
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| 15/3/17 | Cross-Country final at Temple Newsome 12.00 – 3:00pm |
| 16/3/17 | Hand to Mouth collective worship |
| 17/3/17 | Gymnastics Final |
| 4/4/17 | Easter service in St Mary's church 1:30pm |
| 7/4/17 | School closes for the Easter Holiday |
| 24/4/17 | School opens |