



Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020

HUDSON SCHOOL NEWS - Headteacher; Niki Craddock

# IT'S CHRISTMAAAAASS!

Well it has finally arrived, we made it until then end, just about in one piece. I hope today has brought you great relief and excitement, looking forward to planned family time - and just that joy of being together and creating happy memories.

This week we have tried to keep a sense of normality in morning learning but also a little touch of that extra something to bring a Christmas sparkle to the week. We have had a visit from the cheeky elf on Tuesday - this was a surprise for all of the children a good chance to reinforce good behaviour before the big guy arrives on the 25<sup>th</sup> ☺ (thank you for the thoughtful costume donation) The children have also been busy getting their festive creations ready to adorn your homes - we tried to keep the glitter to a minimum this year, you're welcome! Today though we have really brought Christmas to Hudson, the children have bounced in ready for a day of fun and I am sure they have not been disappointed. We've had our usual Snow Business talent show which we zoomed onto the large screens of the classrooms. This year we had over 90 children take part - a Hudson record! All superb and very brave performances, children have come away with a medal and the winning act was from Hollie E and Amelia D in Oak Class singing 'underneath the tree,' they will have their name engraved in the New Year for their school return and photograph for families. We are so incredibly proud of all of the children today, they have experienced, accomplished and succeeded in ways unimaginable this time last year. I am one very proud Headteacher!

We've ended the day with parties and of course a special message and virtual meeting in each class from the North Pole. I hope the children enjoy sharing their gift with their families.

I wish you all the happiness that this season can bring you and I'll be thinking of all of you at midnight on the 31<sup>st</sup> December and sending you all the greatest of wishes for a safer and happier 2021.

### PREPARE FOR THE FIRST WEEK WE RETURN

#### Monday

- It is INSET day for all of our staff so children don't return until Tuesday!

#### Tuesday

- It's time for our Sleeping Beauty themed writing week

#### Wednesday

- Nursery children back in

#### Thursday

- Tree planting event

#### Friday

- Its Toy afternoon, remember nothing can be plugged in and be mindful of size and age appropriateness!

## CELEBRATORY NEWS - EVERYONE EXPERIENCES EXCELLENCE...

Friday brings us smiles, and celebrations. This week join our team in giving due praise and recognition to our shining stars of excellence and champions of behaviour.

Our **Behaviour Charter Champions** are:

**Little Acorns Classes** (Mrs Kelly, Mrs Spafford & Team): Dollie H & Leo G

**Maple Class** (Miss Chapman & Team): Scarlett C

**Yew Class** (Miss Goodwin & Team): Kaiden K

**Sycamore Class** (Mrs Whitelaw & Team): Libby D

**Silver birch Class** (Mrs McIntyre & Team): Whole Class

**Elder Class** (Mr Roberts & Team): Malachi J

**Oak Class** (Miss Cavanagh & Team): Lily FF

**Chestnut Class** (Mrs Macpherson & Team): Declan H

**Beech Class** (Miss Birtwhistle & Team): Thomas H

**Rowan Class** (Mrs McNally & Miss McCann): Lexi D

We can also not forget to mention and give praise to those who have demonstrated **Excellence within their learning, our EEE winners!**

**Little Acorns Classes** (Mrs Kelly, Mrs Spafford & Team): Mason G-S & Teddy W

**Maple Class** (Miss Chapman & Team): Lily S

**Yew Class** (Miss Goodwin & Team): Kanishka S

**Sycamore Class** (Mrs Whitelaw & Team): Zachary L-B

**Silver birch Class** (Mrs McIntyre, & Team): Owen G

**Elder Class** (Mr Roberts & Team): Chloe B

**Oak Class** (Miss Cavanagh & Team): Sonny L G

**Chestnut Class** (Mrs Macpherson & Team): Ethan R

**Beech Class** (Miss Birtwhistle & Team): Mark F

**Rowan Class** (Mrs McNally & Miss McCann): Whole class

Be sure to ask your child to tell you all about the work they have displayed proudly in school and shared today.

**Our Hudson Reading Challenge and EYFS Nursery Rhyme Certification** really helps us to reward those children taking Literature seriously. This is a real challenge and we love to celebrate these achievements throughout the school year. We relaunched this challenge with each class having access to the books from the challenge list in their classrooms.

This week we again have a large number of keen readers who have met the **Bronze challenge!** These amazing children are (Reception) Hallie L, Ava D-Mc, Romy W, Florence W and Lily S. (Year 4) Grace F, Korey W, Ruby C and Jacob H. And also some who have achieved **Silver Award:** (Reception) CeCe S, Rumer R, Charlie O'R, Harry M-H, Hallie L, Scarlett K and Ethan F, (Year 1) Zachary LB, Kade Mc and Amir E-T. In Year 4 Hollie E. Further to this we also have **Gold achievers!** (Nursery), (Reception) Fern D and George E. (Year 1) Matilda Mc, Isla S, Evelyn R, Joe F, Harvey Mc and Lily A. There are a lot of Platinum winners - who will get special prizes in the summer - amazing work!

Our final reward is our **Kindness Cup**, and this week our ambassador of kindness is Jackson R in Oak class, he really showed what a kind and generous person he was with an unplanned charitable donation this week. What a kind heart you have Jackson, this, made us all smile with pride! Thomas H in Beech class has also demonstrated beautiful care and politeness towards everyone this week - what a little star!

May your Christmas sparkle with moments of love,  
laughter and goodwill!

## SAFETY NOTICES

Please be aware that the parking outside of school is limited, but we need to be considerate of the neighbours and not park over driveways or on grass verges.

This can be extremely hazardous and you could be fined, it is also causing the residents great stress!

*We are a community school that thrives on building respectful relationships with our community.*

In the Maghull Community pages of social media the school is being badly advertised for careless community parking, please help to eradicate this.

## NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

**Nursery Children** - Our nursery will be starting on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January. This is due to the amount of new starters joining the nursery. Home visits will be taking place on Tuesday for our new starters.

**Attendance** - Please can I remind everyone how important it is to let the office know why your child is absent. Either ring and leave a message, use the app or lastly dojo. We need to know exactly why/how your child is unwell. The nature of the illness is vital, especially at this current time. Many thanks for your help

**Reminder** Just a reminder that the school phone line is not available between 1.00-2.00pm daily.

All answer machine messages are picked up at 2.00pm

**30hrs nursery funding** - If you think you may be eligible for 30hours funding for your 3-year-old then please have a look on the governments website, search 30-hour funding. If you currently receive this funding, please remember to reapply approx. every 3 months or when your reminder arrives.

*Have an amazing Christmas time, best wishes and love to you all  
Niki Craddock and Team.*



### Useful helplines open over Christmas

- The Trussel Trust Foodbank: [0151 933 1300](tel:01519331300)
- The Samaritans Freephone Helpline 116 123
- Venus Tel: 0151 474 4744
- SWACA: 0151 922 8606
- Mind 0300 123 3393
- Citizens Advice: 0151 282 5650



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