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## HURST GREEN NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2020

We are aware that many of you are concerned about the rise in Covid19 cases locally and that some schools in the area have had to close bubbles as a result of this. We are continuing to do all we can in school to prevent transmission. Can you please make sure you do not send any child in to school with a temperature, a new continuous cough, or a loss of taste and smell. If your child or anyone in your household develop these symptoms, the whole household must isolate and the symptomatic person must get a test straight away.

If anyone in your family or any child at the school receives a positive test result, please contact the school immediately; out of hours via [hurstgreenoffice@quercusfederation.co.uk](mailto:hurstgreenoffice@quercusfederation.co.uk) (this is being monitored). Please make sure you have checked your contact details on Parent App Lite in case we need to contact you through Track and Trace.

Next week all the classes will be having parties and the nativity performances for Willow and Silver Birch will be sent to those parents in a link.

We really appreciate your support throughout what has been a difficult term and we look forward to what we hope will be a better year for everyone. Miss Flack

### Mrs Clease and her Wish Tree

Please complete the form coming out today and pop it in an envelope with 50p if your child would like to win a prize from Mrs Clease's wish tree. Mrs Clease will be doing this on Wednesday, so please send in your form on Monday or Tuesday.

### Christmas Lunch (but not as we know it)!

The children all shared Christmas lunch today in their bubbles. Delivering lunches to all the classrooms was fun for the grown-ups... we saw a lot of fantastic Christmas jumpers too!



Next Friday there will be Carol singers at the old village community shop – make sure you look out for them on your walk home. Also, on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 4pm there will be a group of Carol singers moving around the village – so do go out and join them if you would like to!

Attendance Willow: 100%, Silver Birch: 99.2%, Chestnut 96.2%, Maple 95.2%, Oak 99.1%  
Whole School 97.3%

WELL DONE WILLOW – 100%!!!!



# LOOK what we're LEARNING!

## Nursery

This week we have been making Christmas crackers which was super fun! We also made some interesting looking reindeer party hats! We really enjoyed our Christmas lunch today and loved wearing our Christmas jumpers!

## Willow

This week we have recorded our performance of our nativity. We have been working hard on our phonics and reading and writing CVC words. We made some beautiful snowflakes for our window display and finished our Christmas calendars which are now for sale!

**Head teacher award:** Henry for a great improvement in his reading and writing.

**Reader of the week:** Michalina

## Silver Birch

In English this week we have been writing a play script based on what we think Traction Man's next adventure will be. In Maths we have been doing assessments and shape. The Year 2 children have been find the properties of 3D shapes and the Year 1 children have been sorting 3D shapes. We have also been working super hard to make sure our Nativity was ready to be recorded this week. A massive thank you to Mrs Ham for her hard working teaching the children our Nativity songs in a very limited amount of time!

**Head teacher award:** Callum for always trying hard.

**Reader of the week:** Amber

## Chestnut

This week Chestnuts have been working hard on their multiplication skills and learning the grid method to support multiplying two and three digit numbers by a single number. KEEP PRACTISING THE TIMES TABLES AT HOME! We also had fun in the ICT suite this week. We researched facts on robins on the internet and created a fact file using Publisher. We also thought about those who might be alone this Christmas and made beautiful Christmas cards for the elderly in our community.

**Head teacher award:** Jack for working hard in Maths on his grid method.

**Reader of the week:** Phoebe

## Maple

This week we have been working on multiplication by 10, 100 and 1000 in Year 5 and multiplying and dividing by 3, 6 and 9 in Year 4. We have written Haikus in our Topic work after finding out about some of our retailers and their use of children to produce clothing in their factories. In English we have been writing newspaper reports and we are just trying to keep going with Christmas around the corner!!

**Head teacher award:** Shantai for a massive improvement in presentation.

**Reader of the week:** Charlie

## Oak

In English we have been learning about medicine through the ages, linked to our topic work. We wrote a factsheet about a famous Victorian medic and found out about some of the interesting plague cures (we weren't sure that eating 10-year-old treacle and cooked onions would work!). In Maths we have been learning about factor pairs to help us with our division and we have been practising long division.

In art we have really enjoyed lino printing and many of us are asking for lino cutting equipment for Christmas!

**Head teacher award:** Luis for hard work in Maths, using his knowledge to solve more difficult calculations.

**Reader of the week:** Freddie