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SPECIAL MENTIONS

Class 1: All Class 1

Class 2: Vinnie Hillman, Freya Robinson

Class 3: Toby Ibbotson, Louie Massarella-Burton

Class 4: Elliott Corbridge, Joel Couldwell

Class 5: Phoebe Armitage, Alex Gardham

Well done to everyone!

CLASS 5 ASSEMBLY

We were treated to a wonderful assembly from class 5 today all written by the children themselves and showing how much they are learning in class 5! The level of entertainment was also very high as always. Well done to class 5.

STAFF NEWS

We would like to welcome two new members to our team this week. Mrs Trudie Curry has joined us as our permanent school cook. Mrs Brown (Grace's mum) has also joined us temporarily until Christmas as a teaching assistant in class one. We hope they both enjoy their time at the school!

PLAYGROUND

As you may be aware, at half term the playground markings were completed and we also installed the benches kindly donated by parents and community firms. The children have really enjoyed using this area so wander up and take a look if you can! We have also had some additional offers of benches from Mr and Mrs Abernethy and from Mr and Mrs Such as well as an offer to donate some more money with which we would like to buy trees to eventually give shade in the playground from Mr Pepper on behalf of Subbit Structural Detailing Ltd. These offers are all very much appreciated in making our school playground a great place for the children to be.

SEVERE WEATHER POLICY

Now we are in November, we would like to draw parent attention to our Severe Weather Policy which can be found on our school website in the documents and forms section. We would particularly like to point out the following:

- We do everything we can to open in cases of severe weather and to stay open if weather worsens in the day. However we would ask parents to bear in mind that most of the staff do not live in the village or nearby so there may be times when they are unable to reach the school from where they live. As we have to have enough staff in school to secure the children's safety this can be a factor in determining whether we can open in severe weather
- When we have opened and weather worsens we will endeavour to stay open but will always make any decision to close during the school day based on the immediate weather conditions in Hoylandswaine. This may mean that weather conditions where parents are can be very different but as we are the people on the ground within the village we have to make the decision accordingly as part of the trusting relationship between home and school
- If a decision to close the school has been made:
 - A text is sent to the parents by the office manager
 - The school website (<http://hoylandswaineprimary.co.uk>) will be regularly updated with news of school closures
 - The school closure will be posted on the Dearne FM website;
<http://www.dearnefm.co.uk/news/school-closures>
 - If the closure lasts longer than 1 day the school website will be updated

We are hoping for a mild winter but trust that parents will work with us if we are not so fortunate. Thank you

JUNIOR ROAD SAFETY OFFICERS

Today the children in Y5 and Y6 have brought home an application form for the position of Junior Road Safety Officer. This is a south Yorkshire initiative aimed at helping children to be safer on the roads as they grow up and gain independence. We are looking for four children to serve as officers for this year. The post will include:

- Delivering road safety assemblies
- Designing and maintaining their own road safety noticeboard
- Running competitions in school
- Passing on road safety and traffic awareness messages
- Working in partnership with the South Yorkshire road safety officer

If your child would like to apply for the position then completed forms need to be submitted to me by Friday 18th November. Thank you

INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

On Monday Tempest Photography will be coming into school to take individual and sibling photos. All children will be photographed on their own and with any siblings in school. Proofs will be sent home, but there is no obligation to buy. A text was sent yesterday asking you to let us know if you have a pre-school sibling and you would like them to be photographed with your school child. Please ensure that you arrive at school at 1.15 prompt if you have indicated via text that you will be attending this slot. Thank you

NOV DATES

- 7th November – Individual School Photos
- 9th November 9am – 10am – Coffee Morning in staffroom (All welcome!)
- 9th November pm – cross country finals for invited KS2 participants
- 17th November am – First Family Learning Workshop of the Year in all classes
- 18th November pm – Y1 & Y2 children at TeamActiv Multiskills Tournament
- 25th November 9.10am – class 4 parents' assembly
- 28th November – Junior Road Safety Officer training with South Yorkshire partnership

FRIENDS OF HOYLANDSWAINE SCHOOL

SWISHING EVENING

Friday 25th November
Fashion, Fizz and Fun!!!

Watch out for a letter coming home next week with more info!!

A collection point for preloved ladies clothes is by the dining hall, place any items including clothes/accessories in there (If possible with hangers and in a clean state)

Please support this event as money raised goes directly to the children of this school.

For any more info please contact Lucy on 07712651265 or Helen on 07903342668

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE DONATIONS

We are collecting donations for the Hampers that make up the fabulous prizes for our Christmas raffle.

We are asking for donations of luxury items, bottles, chocolates, biscuits, chutneys, toiletries etc.

If you would like to make a donation please drop off any items to the school office before the end of November.

Thank you

Have a lovely weekend.