

# Endsleigh Holy Child VC Academy



Headteacher Mrs. E Barrs  
Newsletter 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024



Dear parents and carers,

As we finally reach the end of what has been a very long Autumn term, it is hard to put into a few words just how fabulous it has been! It has certainly been a lot of hard work, however the children of our school are absolutely worth it. They are funny, intelligent, talented and kind. This has been evident in the wonderful Key Stage one nativities this week, and the trip to the theatre for Early Years and Key Stage one.

Because the children are so special, it is important that we get things right for them. In the Spring term, we are going to be working on some projects to make learning even more exciting. Mr Guthrie will be spending more time in class, sharing his expertise in teaching and learning with other colleagues, and enhancing our teaching and learning model, in addition to his strategic role as assistant headteacher. Mrs Broadhead will be leading some bespoke work on our reading curriculum, along with our other Trust schools. Mr Fox will be continuing his work on our culture of inclusion within school and we look forward to sharing that with you when we come back to school.

On the January training day, we will be spending time looking at our Vision and Mission statements, remembering why we are here and preparing to launch the Pope's Jubilee year with our school community. We are aiming to be Pilgrims of Hope!

I hope to see many of you at the carol concert this afternoon, and wish you all a happy and peaceful Christmas with your families.

I look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

God bless,  
Mrs Barrs

## Hull Truck

Our trips to the theatre were all very successful. All the children thoroughly enjoyed the performances and they were all wonderfully behaved. You should be very proud parents.

## Reading Books

Please check whether you have any school reading books at home, we are missing a number of Read, Write inc. books in particular. These are vital to the childrens learning.

## **Pupil Voice**

This week, Class 5 has been full of festive cheer as we enjoyed a fun-filled week of creating Christmas crafts! We got creative with a variety of hands-on projects, including creating and decorating ornaments, making light up holiday cards and crafting festive decorations to gift to our friends and families. It has been a wonderful opportunity for us to express our holiday spirit and work together on fun and imaginative projects. The classroom is now filled with colourful creations that truly capture the joy and excitement of the season! We have also been preparing for the coming of Christ with great anticipation and joy this Advent season. We have reflected on the true meaning of Christmas and have loved sharing the joy all around school. This week we have been excitedly looking forward to the Carol service, where we shared our beautiful voices and celebrated the season with all of our families and the school community.

We wish everybody a happy holiday!

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025 School re-opens  
Half-term Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February  
Easter Holiday Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April  
May Day Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May – School Closed  
Half-term Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June  
School closes for the summer break Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

## **, Well done**

The KS1 raffle raised £130.00, the tombola raised just over £200 and we raised £54 by selling Christmas Crafts in KS1, the KS1 money will go towards a 'Buddy Bench' for our playground

## **Woolly Hat Appeal**

Thank you for your generous donations to this appeal, we managed to fill 22 woolly hats for this worthy cause.

## **Designated Roles**

SENCO/Safeguarding Lead – Mr. J Fox

Assistant Head – Mr. J. Guthrie

EYSF Lead – Mrs. J Leach