



Hiltingbury Highlights



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Message from Miss Loosemore

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today we enjoyed our banquet Christmas lunch. We are so lucky to have such a dedicated lunch team who do so much for our children, ensuring they make the most out of each lunch hour. The children enjoyed their delicious meals while sharing in their excitement about Christmas. Thank you everyone!

Yesterday year 4 performed in their ukulele concert with a very brilliant and supportive crowd. Ms Lai is a very talented musician who has led 4S in developing their musical talents. Mrs Spence said she was very proud of her class and the commitment they have shown over the term in learning a new instrument.

Dine with Santa was again a huge success with our families. The smiles on the photos really do say it all! Thank you to our HSPTA who spread so much kindness amongst our community. We hope you all, after another hugely popular event Elfridges next week, enjoy a restful and happy Christmas with your families!

Even with five days left at school we have managed to squeeze in so many more activities and events for everyone to enjoy. To help you during this busy period please see our final Christmas event round up below. Our school community event Carols around the tree is our grand finale of the term. If you have not signed up to attending the event, please know you can just turn up on the evening, either straight from school to share your children's work or join the Carol event at 4pm when the concert starts. Please see below also the winning house and class for their treats next week that were shared in assembly today.

A date for your new year diaries – our next Parent coffee morning is on Tuesday 17th January 9-10.30am. We have invited our Educational Psychologist to lead the session on neurodiversity. Mr Wright will share more details in the new year.

Finally I would again like to say a very well done to our choir. The children performed at Spring Vale Nursing home and it truly was such a special event. The children brought so much joy to the residents with one even sharing that the performance had made his Christmas. We all enjoyed the special moment just as much as our audience did and it reminded us all that kindness really does make a difference!

Christmas Events Round Up



Best wishes,

Zoe Loosemore

Date	Event
12.12.22 Buddy partner class sharing activity.	The children will share a story with their buddy from their partner class in the afternoon.
14.12.22 Elfridges	Our annual Christmas event Elfridges will take place in the hall all day where the children will be able to do their Christmas shopping supported by our HSPTA elves.
14.12.22 Raffle ticket winners no school uniform	Well done to 5CR who have won the most class raffle tickets at lunchtimes and can enjoy a non uniform day as a reward.
14.12.22 from 3.30pm Carols around the tree community event - all parents and children welcome	3.30pm Come into school and hare your children's work in the classroom 4.00pm Carols around the tree event
15.12.22 Winter House Sports	Children to come into school in their PE kits. If they have a house coloured t-shirt they can wear this instead of their white PE t-shirt.
16.12.22 AM - House treat for winning house 10am	The winning house is Hawking Well done!
9am School Community Value assembly	If your child has been nominated as one of our school community value winners you will receive a Zoom link to our assembly at 9am.



Choir highlights!

Peter Green

The choir last week had a lot of fun at Peter Green singing Christmas songs to everyone. There was a lovely Christmas feeling as everyone was enjoying our choir singing. Some people were singing! We got a lot of nice comments too like 'nice singing and that was beautiful.'

Christmas Chewbacca was walking around while we were singing and he was dressed up as Santa! He also gave out sweets!!



Care home

The choir went to a care home to sing too this week and it was a lot of fun. We gave a lot of joy to other people. My favourite part was singing 12 days of Christmas with actions.

Songs we sang: Coventry Carol, Jingle-rock, Gaudete Video, 12 Days of Christmas, We wish you a merry Christmas, Away in a Manger, Little Donkey, Silent Night and O Little Town of Bethlehem.

We got some cheers and a round of applause from the people from the Care Home and they were really nice to us and gave us juice and a biscuit! It was so kind!

Quotes: Elijah in 4P announced, "I saw people in the care home were crying tears of joy!"

Miss Loosemore said, "The person next to me said this has made my Christmas"

By Zeke N & Natasha H



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SCHOOL'S
CHRISTMAS JUMPER
DAY

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£466

ACHIEVEMENTS

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Thank you for all your donations to
Save the Children Christmas Jumper
appeal!

We Care nominations:



Lola R (4P) I have noticed fantastic ambition from Lola in all subjects recently, with a real desire to improve and achieve whether that is getting further through the task sheet in maths or improving the accuracy of her punctuation in English. Keep up the great work!

Aimee B (4S) Aimee has amazed all the adults with all the progress she is making across the curriculum but especially with her writing. This is as a result of her determination to do her very best. When the going gets tough, Aimee keeps going!

Sofia T (4DN) Sofia has given her best in all subjects since she started in Year 4. She has made excellent progress in all areas, especially in her writing. She never gives up and works well both independently and with others. Sofia always has a smile on her face and is a pleasure to have in the classroom! What a fabulous role model! 😊

Ruby (6C) Throughout the week, Ruby's infectious ambitious attitude has been as evident as her beaming smile. She has really thrown herself into the breadth of activities with an 'I Can Do' attitude that has been noted by all.

Tristan M (6W) It has been lovely this week to see Tristan's enthusiasm shine through. He has really enjoyed our English unit on 'A Christmas Carol', immersing himself into the story and sharing his own prior knowledge too. Well done Tristan - I'm so proud of you.

Thomas C (5MR) Thomas throughout the term has been an engaged and enthusiastic learner. He works well in paired and group work. Thomas has particularly shone this week with his contributions in maths. He is always willing to give explanations a go and to deepen his understanding of maths. Well done!

Oscar S (5CR) all the staff who have worked with you this week have shared just how wonderful your enthusiasm has been towards your learning. In particular, this week we noticed your note taking in our Apollo 13 English unit has been simply amazing. You are pushing yourself in your learning and are always looking for ways you can improve, we could not be more proud of you!



Chen (6B) I have really noticed Chen being reflective within his writing this week. He has looked closely at the details needed with our narrative, especially with the fine details of dialogue and what punctuation as language is best to use. Well done!



Arthur B (3D) - Arthur worked really hard this week in art whilst creating his prehistoric clay pot. Arthur had carefully designed his pot in last week's art lesson which allowed him to create his beautiful clay pot this week. Also, Arthur's creativity has really shone through his instructions for his own medicine in our English lessons. His imagination went wild with his ingredient list! Super work, Arthur!

Archie P (3P) Throughout our art unit Prehistoric Pottery Archie has worked incredibly hard to learn from designs shown to him from Stone Age art. These have been sketched and then practised in plasticine before culminating in an amazing clay pot. Well done Archie!

Jamen T (3BC) Jamen has been incredibly creative with his prehistoric pottery. His design was unique - the only one with a pinched design to make it look more like a jug. It has been wonderful to see him work so passionately throughout this unit, from his initial sketching and design to his finished product. Well done for thinking outside the pot!!

Ollie W (5M) All week Ollie has impressed me with his passion and curiosity to learn new things, especially in our new English and Maths units. Ollie took the time to research about Apollo 13 at home and was keen to share all his new knowledge with the class- fab job!



Year Group Highlights

Year 3

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Year 4

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dates and events

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Thank you Mr Gardiner & Mr Savoy (our site manager elves) for putting up our Junior School tree ready for our Carols on Wednesday! And thank you to the HSPTA for providing this!

Well-being Highlights

The Christmas song tells us - *'It's the most wonderful time of the year'*. . . However, there are many other, less positive sounding adjectives that could with equal validity be inserted into that phrase!

Suggestions could be - the most expensive/stressful/pressurised time of the year? A time of the year when self-care may feel like yet another thing to add to a multiplying, infinite TO DO list. Please give yourself permission to simplify things as much as you can, you cannot possibly do everything, and don't need to try to meet an unrealistic expectation of what this time of year 'should' be.

Back to basics with wellbeing - hydration, sleep, a break just to breathe slowly and calmly, a hug with your child - it's in those precious moments of calm that we find awareness of what truly matters.





What a busy, fun and rewarding Hiltingbury PTA Christmas we're having!



Thank you to everyone who has come to an event, bought presents, trees, wreaths, jumpers etc! Dine with Santa was a roaring success with so many happy children and families which was lovely to see! Our Nordic Spruce trees are up and shining bright in over 200 homes in the area! A record breaking amount sold!



Thank you so much to everyone who has been involved in helping with these events too - from our amazing team of bakers, to our super elves and even the supportive PTA children who spent a saturday evening tidying and hoovering the school after Dine with Santa!



We have the last Christmas tree collection date tomorrow and are in the midst of letting children choose gifts from our Elfridges store for their families.



It is so heartwarming to know that we're bringing so many smiles to the children whilst also raising money for some fantastic things for them!



Speaking of which...PTA funds are being invested in:

Infant School Advent Books!
&

Jack and Beanstalk Panto booked for both schools in January!



Christmas at HSPTA is kindly sponsored by Gair Gas, check out our [sponsors page](#) to find out more (and get a cheeky discount!)

Use your shopping to raise money:

[Shop to Give](#) [Amazon Smile](#) [Easy Fundraising](#) or join our [School Lottery](#)

Money Raised – Now over £10k!! Well done!

Uniform Sales	£455	Xmas Jumpers	£145
Tuck Shops	£450	Wreaths & Prints	£83
Lottery	£514	Dine with Santa	£1450
Quiz	£692	Elfridges	TBC
Spooks & Sparks	£5770	Xmas Trees	TBC
Pottery	£285	New plans for 2023!	

Website for orders and info: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hspta/>

Private Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/hspta>

Contact the team: info.hspta@gmail.com

Christmas Holidays at Chandler's Ford Library

Storytime Monday 10.30

Rhymetime Tuesday and Thursday 10.30

Construction Club and Crafts Every Day

Mystery Wrapped Books,
Christmas Trail, and Count the Elves
Competition



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