

## UPDATE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents/Carers

This week, I have been leading special assemblies on the theme 'the message of Christmas.' During these assemblies the children have explored what the message of Christmas is for Christians as well as the children's own experience of Christmas. The assemblies were carried out in bubble groups and included opening Christmas presents which revealed objects of significance for the pupils to discuss and think about. Children also got to 'dress the Christmas tree' with some of the objects as part of this process.

The 'presents' included:

- A nativity scene that represented Jesus who was born in Bethlehem.
- A lamb that represented the shepherds who visited Jesus as part of the local population at the time of his birth.
- A star to represent the wise men who travelled from faraway lands to visit Jesus.
- A lamp to explain how Christians view Jesus as 'the light of the world.'
- A heart to explain how the central message of Christmas is love because Christians believe God sent his only son to earth for all mankind.

In KS2 children also found out about the different accounts about the birth of Jesus in the gospels. In KS1 pupils had the opportunity to reflect on words and objects that they associate with Christmas. Some of these were represented as Christmas decorations that were hung on the tree. These included Santas, elves, stars and snowmen.

The assemblies also provided our Christian pupils with the opportunity to talk about their lives and our children from other faith groups to find out a little bit more about how some of their friends celebrate Christmas.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas at this special and festive time of year.

*James Edwards*  
**Mr J Edwards**  
Headteacher

## NOTICE BOARD



### Christmas Jumper Day 15 December 2021

We will be holding a Mufti day in aid of Save the Children, on Wednesday 15 December 2021, to coincide with the Christmas lunch. We are asking children to wear their Christmas jumpers and bring a gold/silver coin as a contribution.

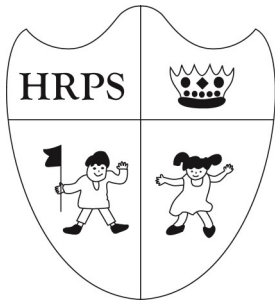
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### CHRISTMAS TERM

School will be closing for Christmas holidays at 1.30pm on Friday 17 December 2021.

This also includes the afternoon nursery class.





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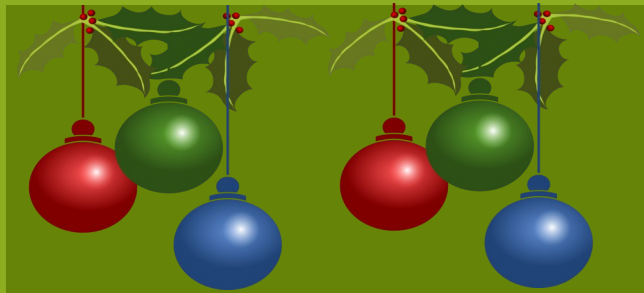
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### School Absence

Just a gentle reminder that parents need to contact the School Office by telephone or email to report any child absences, to avoid any unauthorised absence.



### CHRISTMAS DINNER—15 DECEMBER 2021

The children will be having their Christmas dinner on 15 December 2021, please ensure that their choice of meal has been recorded on the school grid.



### CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets will be available to purchase outside of the school office before and after school on Monday 13 December 2021. The raffle will be drawn on the morning of Thursday 16 December 2021.

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### Football Club

Football Training is now finished until the New Year. Letters will be sent out when we restart.

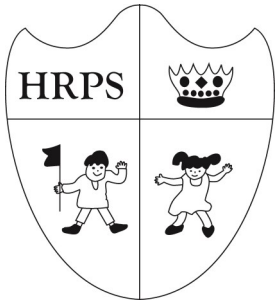


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*Should your child be off school, please remember to cancel their lunch, if already ordered.*



NURTURING EVERY CHILD, EVERY DAY



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## This week's Star Awards go to:



Danny DETERMINATION says,  
"DON'T GIVE UP."

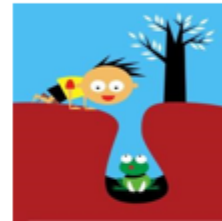
Tommy W  
Hughie P  
Natalia  
Lois U  
Diana P  
Sullivan

Zikra K  
Oskar Babicz  
All of Sapphire  
Class

Sophie  
Jameson  
Izzy

Abeeha U  
Lewis Harrison

Colin CURIOSITY says,  
"THINK FOR YOURSELF."



Chloe COMMUNICATION says,  
"RESPECT OTHERS."

Siluan  
Isla  
Xivaan G  
Dylan S

Ava  
Mia T

Younis  
Freya  
Arian F  
Lana C

Aleksandra S

Izzy INDEPENDENCE says,  
"DO YOUR BEST."

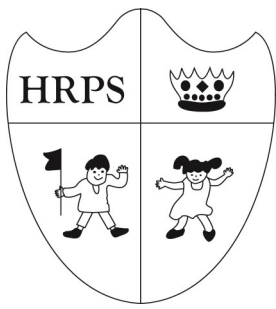


## This week's Attendance Awards

KS1 - Green Class 92.49%

KS2 - Red Class 95%





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### STARTING SCHOOL

If your child was born between 01/09/17 and 31/08/18 parents/ carers can now make a Starting School 2022 application online via the CBC website at: [https://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/info/5/school\\_admissions](https://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/info/5/school_admissions) or via a paper application. The deadline for applying is **15 January 2022**.



*Just a reminder that it is compulsory to wear a face mask covering your face and nose at all times whilst on the school premises*

## Word of the Week!

# anxious

It means: Worried, nervous



Can you use this word in a sentence?

