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Friday 4th December 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week everybody has been really excited about the start of Advent and the countdown to Christmas. The brilliant window display in the hall led by Mrs Brand has taken shape and we are looking forward to the pictures emerging as we go through the last weeks of term. If you get a chance, take a look from the carpark at the start or end of the day.

Each class has their own Advent calendar generously gifted by the Henleaze Prayer group. Thank you for sending us Christmas wishes.

Each child has decorated a wooden tree ornament which has been strung from the Christmas tree in the hall. Classes have enjoyed visiting and having a story under the tree.

The recycled materials angels are gathering in the entrance hall ready to be displayed in the community Advent Trail. Each one is unique, showing the creativity of children and families.

Reception have recorded their Christmas performance ready to be edited to share with families and each class is practising Feliz Navidad ready for a whole school outside sing in the last week.

To see and hear more about what has been happening in school and to find class messages and learning, please visit the class blogs.
<https://www.henleaze-inf.bristol.sch.uk/>



Celebration

Stars of the Week:

Class 1: **Elliot**

Class 2: **Hugo**

Class 3: **Ronnie and Ernest**

Class 4: **Sybil**

Class 5: **Billy**

Class 6: **Martha S**

Class 7: **Sophie**

Class 8: **Florence**

Class 9: **Cindy**



Class of the week: Class 3 for returning from self-isolation with super behaviour both in learning and play.

Celebrations from outside school:

Beth in Class 8 (along with others from our school) entered the RWA Christmas card design competition. Beth was one of two winners with her super fingerprint design below.

Well done Beth!



Messages

PE Uniform

Please note that pupils must adhere to the school uniform policy when taking part in class PE and Shine Sports sessions. There have been a number of pupils wearing their favourite team football strip which is not allowed. Please refer to the school uniform list on the policies page of the school website for further information.

Reception Admissions 2021

Any parent with a child due to start school in September 2021 must complete the online application through the Bristol Local Authority portal by **15th January 2021**.

Leaving collection:

Thank you for all contributions to Mrs Hopkins leaving collection. We will be collecting during next week if anyone is still keen to contribute.

Playground works

Work starts on the all-weather surface in the main playground next week. There will be a safety fence, but we ask that you please ensure your children do not play near the space being developed at the start and end of the day.

Christmas Plans

As part of the festivities, the children will be enjoying a Christmas lunch next Friday (11th December). Our wonderful catering team will be serving roast turkey or vegetable pastry slice with roast potatoes, carrots and peas and chocolate shortbread stars for dessert. The menu will be allergen appropriate and inclusive of all dietary requirements. Please note, other menu options including wraps, jacket potatoes and pasta **will not** be available. If your child does not wish to have a cooked Christmas meal we would be grateful if you could provide them with a packed lunch.

Menu change Wednesday 9th December

Please note, the catering team will be preparing fish fingers instead of roast beef as advertised on the menu.

Have a great weekend.

Best wishes

Gemma Fricker

Dates for the diary

Tue 8 th Dec	Class 7 Flu vaccinations
Wed 9 th Dec	Menu change – fish fingers served instead of the roast beef advertised on the menu
Fri 11 th Dec	FHIS Christmas Festivities Day Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas lunch
Tue 15 th Dec	School outside sing with special visitor
Thu 17 th	Class Christmas parties
Fri 18 th December	End of Term 2
Mon 4 th January	Inset day
Tue 5 th January	Start of Term 3

Update from French Club

We are extremely excited about our French Christmas zoom club. Please see the flyer below.

We will meet on the Monday 21st December- Wednesday 23 December morning for a fun French lesson learning with Père Noël et le petit Lutin. A craft package and activity sheets for the children to do outside of our lessons will be available to those that have booked a place. On the Wednesday, we'll have an extended lesson to include cooking together.

If you'd like more information or to book email ak@clubs4kids.com or ring Anna-Kate on 07375306881. A bientôt
Madame Fuller



Lyrics to the school song for Christmas to practise at home:

Feliz navidad (Bony M)

Feliz navidad
Feliz navidad
Feliz navidad
Prospero año y felicidad

Feliz navidad
Feliz navidad
Feliz navidad
Prospero año y felicidad

I wanna wish you a merry Christmas
I wanna wish you a merry Christmas
I wanna wish you a merry Christmas From
the bottom of my heart

I wanna wish you a merry Christmas
I wanna wish you a merry Christmas
I wanna wish you a merry Christmas
From the bottom of my heart

News from FHIS

FHIS Christmas Jumper Day and Raffle - Friday 11th December

Only three more weeks until Christmas!

A **HUGE THANK YOU** to everyone who has donated items for the FHIS Time for a Treat Christmas Hampers. We have been overwhelmed by the **AMAZING** donations so far but to make the hampers truly **INCREDIBLE**, please do continue to donate.

TODAY is the last of three on-site school drop-off dates. Please place hamper donations inside the containers emblazoned with our Rory the Reindeer poster, outside of:

- 1) C8/C9 entrance in the main playground
- 2) The entrance corridor of C7
- 3) C6 patio
- 4) C4/5 patio
- 5) Reception patio

Host houses will continue to accept donations until Sunday 6th December.

Look out for the Rory the Reindeer poster displayed in the windows of these houses:

98 Howard Road

11b Hill View

14 Park Grove

39 Hill View

6 Sates Way

40a Cairns Road (via the lane adjacent to No. 40)

Thereafter, if you have an item to donate please contact FHIS at

FHISinfo@gmail.com

In addition to previously suggested hamper donation items, which we're still very happy to receive, we have been asked by parents what other items might be suitable. Suggested items are: tea, coffee, jam/marmalade/chutney/pickles/mustard, olives, Christmas crackers, Christmas pudding, Christmas cake, Panettone, savoury crackers/similar, honey, olive oil, posh pasta, biscuits or crisps. Thank you.

We will be providing a definitive list of raffle prizes during the course of next week so watch this space.

We have also had a **FANTASTIC** response from parents purchasing raffle tickets, thank you. Please do continue to purchase raffle tickets! Monies raised will be fundamental in progressing school-projects in 2021.

Raffle tickets costing £3 each can continue to be purchased up until midnight on Friday 11th December.

Please see the attached flyer for further details. To buy one or more raffle tickets, simply click on <https://paypal.me/pools/c/8u8GkLxxJP> and pay with either a **PayPal account or with your debit/credit card**. There is the option to provide your contact details when purchasing through PayPal. Alternatively, please email FHIS

FHISinfo@gmail.com confirming your contact details and how many tickets you have purchased. We cannot issue tickets or contact you if you do not supply your email address.

Winners will be notified by email after the draw on Saturday 12th December 2020. Good luck and thank you.



We've had a bumper crop of Christmas wear being offered for sale and sold on the FHIS Buying & Selling Facebook page. Thank you. If you don't yet have a t-shirt or jumper to wear next Friday (11th December) check out items available here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1490263547841703/?ref=share>

If you have any unwanted items, why not sell it and gift the money directly to FHIS?

All funds raised will be donated to the school for the calm playground and ongoing projects.

Raffle Prizes - Thanks to those families who have contacted us to donate prizes. It is truly appreciated. If you own your own business or work for a company who can donate a prize which could be offered in one of our raffles this academic year, please get in contact with us. We are grateful for all assistance offered. Last year, many amazing prizes were donated to us, some of which were arranged by parents like you, from the company you work for or run. Can you help us again this year? Thank you.

Amazon Smile & Easyfundraising and Match Funding

Did you know that we're registered with easyfundraising and AmazonSmile and you could help us to raise funds for the school at no extra cost to yourself?

Since some of our usual fundraising events are on hold, this is a great opportunity to keep raising much needed funds for the school. When you shop online, with over 4,100 of your favourite retailers, including John Lewis & Partners, Amazon, eBay, notonthehighstreet, you will raise FREE donations for FHIS, Friends of Henleaze Infant School, Henleaze.

If you're not already signed up, it only takes a few minutes, then you can begin using the easyfundraising website or app straightaway - simply shop online as normal. This will be an enormous help to the school, at no extra cost to yourself.

Plus, see the How to Help document available at https://www.henleazeinf.bristol.sch.uk/?page_id=263 for all the relevant links in one place including approaching your employer to see if they offer Match Funding.

FHIS Events - Doodle Poll and The New Online Winter Disco!

Thanks to everyone who voted in our Doodle Poll (now closed).

Feedback from the poll enabled us to book the **Online Winter Disco for Saturday 6th February from 4pm**. To join the dancing and games be sure to put the date in your diary as ticket numbers will be limited. Further details about how to book will follow before Christmas.

The online quiz remains provisionally booked for Friday 5th March because of the changing situation regarding Covid. The quiz will run on-line if the situation remains unchanged regarding in-person meet ups.

As a handy reference about what's on this academic year, our updated Events Calendar is attached.

FHIS Alcohol - For Sale

FHIS have 13 x 4 packs of 440ml cans of Budweiser available to purchase expiring 31st January 2021 at £4.50 per pack of four.

Please contact FHIS, FHISinfo@gmail.com if you would like to purchase. Any purchases will be delivered to your home.

Finally, if you can help, have any ideas for fundraising (or anything else) or comments, please drop us a line at FHISinfo@gmail.com as we'd love to hear from you.

Thank you

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