



Henshaw CE Primary School Newsletter

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Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynolds's Menu w/c 8/1/18
(Please note: this menu may be subject to change)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	Chicken Curry, Cous Cous, Sweetcorn & Naan Bread	Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato & Carrots	Meatballs, Pasta, Peas & Homemade Bread	Salmon & Cod Fishcakes, Beans & Chips
	Pineapple Upside Down Cake & Custard	Fruit Crumble & Custard	Raspberry Cheesecake	Chocolate Brownie & Milkshake
	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

We are approaching the end of another busy and successful term!

I would like to start by thanking all of the superb Governors and staff for all their efforts this year and pass on my thanks to you, the parents, for all your support.

The children have flourished this term and, when we look back as parents or teachers, we can be very proud of the progress our children have made academically, socially and emotionally.

I am enormously proud of my staff; they work long hours and are dedicated to providing the very best education for your children.

In light of the recent Henshaw CE Primary School Ofsted report I am confident in saying that we are a solidly Good federation of schools and we can now aspire towards Outstanding. Our Teaching Staff encourage children to be independent and confident by making their learning fun, engaging, enjoyable, challenging and satisfying. High standards and aspirations are expected in all areas of school life and this will only continue.

As we come to the end of our Autumn Term, I would like to wish you a very peaceful and happy Christmas. Having worked hard all term, the children will be ready for a break and the opportunity to recharge their batteries (whilst wearing yours out no doubt!)

Attendance w/c 18/12/2017

Reception	95.4%
Year 1	94.5%
Year 2	93.3%
Year 3	98.3%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	96.7%
Year 6	100%
Overall	96%

Carols around the tree

Thank you all very much for joining us for our 'Carols around the tree' event. The children, once again, sang beautifully and it was great to see the adults joining in too!



Stars of the Week



Reception Class - Matthew for achieving all his targets this half term.

Key Stage 1 – Carl for showing excellent understanding, in Church, of the meaning of the Christingle.

Key Stage 2 – Willow for bringing plenty of 'Festive Cheer' into school this week!

Values and Virtues Award – Harry for always being kind and caring towards everyone in school

Presentation Award – Kieran for his lovely presentation of his Alien poster

Head Teachers Award - Brooklyn for being kind, patient and understanding. She is mature, sensible and a real credit to our school.

100% Attendance Award (for Autumn Term 2017)

Congratulations to the following children for achieving 100% attendance this term:-

Kian, Olivia, Reece, Amber, Kieran, Eva, Matthew, Janáe, Callum H, Lena, Matilda, Harris, Lewis, Thomas

Learning Achievements

All of our children have had a very busy week, preparing for Christmas! They thoroughly enjoyed the Christmas Activities day they shared with their friends from Greenhead.

Christmas Performances

Our Christmas performances are always very special events and I'm sure you'll agree that this year was no exception. The children were so excited about performing for you and their enthusiasm and enjoyment was matched only by the quality of performance they gave - fabulous!

Well done to our talented children for giving of their best, and thanks to staff who worked so hard to enable the children to perform so successfully.

Christmas dinner, balloon release and Christingle Service

The children enjoyed spending the day together at Henshaw for a day of festivities and were even joined by a special visitor in a red and white suit! They had Christmas dinner with the Governors, released balloons to remember loved ones led by Rev Carter and participated in a Christingle service in All Hallows' Church. It was lovely to see so many parents at this event and I think that you will all agree we have a federation of beautiful singers!

Staff Member of the Month

Our Staff Member of the Month is Mrs Makepeace (Greenhead) for being a fun and fantastic teacher!

Village Carol Service 23.12.17

On Saturday 23 December at 4pm, there will be a Village Carol Service at All Hallows' Church. If your child would like to come along to read, to represent Henshaw School, please contact revbenjamin Carter@gmail.com or telephone 01434 688196.

Key Stage 1 Swimming

The children in Key Stage 1 will be swimming with their friends from Henshaw every Tuesday morning. The first session will be on Tuesday 9th January. Please can all children in Years 1 and 2 bring their swimming kit and a towel in every Tuesday. Thank you

Just a reminder that there will be a Teacher Training day on Monday 8th January and the children will return to school on Tuesday 9th January 2018.

Yours

Mrs Sarah Hutchinson - Executive Head Teacher