



# Highfield Newsletter



## Headteacher's Message

What an incredible week it has been, filled with the magic of our Christmas productions! A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the parents and carers whose support has been invaluable in making these events so special. A special mention must also go to Mrs. Porter and Mrs. Bavill, whose creativity and hard work brought the school hall to life with the incredible backdrop they designed and crafted – it truly set the stage for our performances. In this newsletter I have also included pictures of our Reception children with their Year 6 buddies enjoying Christmas Dinner – it was great to see them together. Next week we go again; 2 Christmas carol concerts, Christmas parties, presents for parents and a Santa dash!

Enjoy your weekend and thank you for your support.

Mr Feeley



## News & Updates

Fruity Friday Winners!

**Congratulations** to Eden in Year 1 and Lucy in Year 5 who won the Fruity Friday raffle prize of free fruit for the rest of the school year! Thank you to everyone who entered – the raffle raised £100 to go towards school causes. Thank you to the Fruity Friday team for their great work but especially Granny Wheatley for selling the tickets!

BBC 500 word writing competition

Miss Elson was delighted to receive confirmation that Eli, Verity and Henry in Year 5 and Charlie in Year 4 have all made it through to the last 5000 of the BBC 500 word writing competition. The last 5000 may not sound impressive, until you learn that over 45 000 children entered! What an achievement! We are looking forward to finding out if they make the final 50.



The choir brings cheer to Alderbrook

Last week our wonderful choir brought Christmas joy to Alderbrook Care Home with their beautiful carol singing, filling the air with festive cheer. The children and residents also bonded over Christmas crafts, creating colourful baubles to adorn the care home's tree. Handcrafted Christmas cards, filled with heartfelt wishes, were shared, spreading warmth and joy between generations. The visit was a heartwarming celebration of community spirit, leaving everyone with cherished memories.









## Highfield Signposting

Libellule Theatre presents...

# THE STOLEN STORIES OF WINTERLIGHT

Room 700, Leeds Central Library LS1 3AB

A Magical quest for all this festive season

For children aged 5+ & their grown ups (50 mins)

9 December 2024 - 5 January 2025

## Can you imagine a world without stories?

Words are fading from books all over town and people are forgetting the stories they used to know off by heart.

Winterlight Festival is fast approaching when tales are told with family and friends. If all stories disappear and children can't tell their own stories, their voices may be lost forever.

Newly qualified storyteller, Tan, sets off on an adventure of a lifetime to discover the mystery of these stolen stories. With her hapless new apprentice tagging along, will they ever find a way to work together and return the words to the pages in time for Winterlight?

Become submerged in strange and wondrous lands in this empowering tale reminding us that weaving all our stories, histories and cultures together creates the most beautiful pattern of all.

Brought to you by the same creative team who made the hugely successful *The Storymaker's Apprentice* at Leeds Central Library in 2022.

**Date:**  
9 December 2024 - 5 January 2025

For further details and support with booking, phone: 0113 3785005 or email: [libraryenquiries@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:libraryenquiries@leeds.gov.uk)

**Location:**  
Leeds Central Library,  
Municipal Buildings, Calverley Street,  
Leeds, LS1 3AB

**Price:**  
Adult £8, Child £6

**Tickets:**  
[linktr.ee/libelluletheatre](http://linktr.ee/libelluletheatre)





## HOLIDAYS WHAT'S ON 21 DEC 2024 – 5 JAN 2025

week 1	SAT 21 DEC	SUN 22 DEC	MON 23 DEC	TUES 24 DEC	WED 25 DEC	THURS 26 DEC	FRI 27 DEC
	ART POD	FAMILY WORKSHOP: FESTIVE CLAY	ART POD	CLOSED CHRISTMAS EVE	CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY	CLOSED BOXING DAY	FAMILY WORKSHOP: FLOWERS & FEASTS
							
	SAT 28 DEC	SUN 29 DEC	MON 30 DEC	TUES 31 DEC	WED 1 JAN	THURS 2 JAN	FRI 3 JAN
	FAMILY WORKSHOP: FLOWERS & FEASTS ART POD	FAMILY WORKSHOP: FLOWERS & FEASTS	ART POD	FAMILY WORKSHOP: FLOWERS & FEASTS	FAMILY WORKSHOP: FLOWERS & FEASTS	FAMILY WORKSHOP: FLOWERS & FEASTS	ART POD
							
	SAT 4 JAN	SUN 5 JAN					
	ART POD	FAMILY WORKSHOP: FLOWERS & FEASTS					
							

Art Pod and Family Workshops 11am–3.45pm

Every day

- Explore & draw station
- Explore & draw kits
- Warm space/family quiet room
- What's in our Garden?

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WAKEFIELD

### Dates for your Diary!

- **Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Santa Dash
- **Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Presents for Parents KS2
- **Weds 18<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Presents for Parents Rec & KS1, KS2 Carol Service
- **Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Rec & KS1 Carol Service, Rec & KS1 Christmas Parties
- **Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Deadline for Parent Governor Election voting (12pm), KS2 Christmas Parties

**Safeguarding.** For child protection concerns you can contact any of our Designated Child Protection Officers: Mr Feeley, Mrs Dalgliesh, Mrs Bowker and Mrs Calvert. There is some useful information on the LSCB website about online safety with some useful tips for parents: <http://www.leedslscb.org.uk/Parents-Carers-Wider-Family/Keeping-children-safe-online>. If you are worried that a child is at risk of harm please contact Leeds Children's Social Work Services on 0113 222 4403.