



HURSTHEAD INFANT SCHOOL

We care, we learn, we belong

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Dear Parents

As I come to the end of my first term as Headteacher, I would like to thank you all for your incredible support. The children at Hursthead Infant School are a real credit to their families, they are caring and kind, and they try their hardest every day. The school really is an amazing place to come to work. I feel very lucky to be part of the Hursthead Infant family and wider community. A huge thank you from me to all that make our school such a wonderful place to be - the children, families and staff- you are what makes the difference.

PSA

A huge thank you to our hard working PSA who have organised so many wonderful events on the lead up to Christmas. Without your hard work and dedication, we would not be able to provide all the opportunities we do for our children. I know most of our members are very busy, so it is very much appreciated that you take the time to support school in a way that makes such a difference.

Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair was a fantastic event with lots of activities and smiling faces. Thank you to all that volunteered in the planning and preparation, on the night and as part of the tidying up team. The fair raised **£4,465** which is an incredible amount. It really is a credit to our community that school receives such amazing support.

Sharing Pupils' Learning - Friday 16 December

Reception pupils' learning books and Year 1 & 2's topic books will be sent home on Friday 16th December. This is an opportunity for parents to share and talk to their child about their learning so far this academic year. The books are evidence of your child's learning, so please ensure they stay safe and are returned on Monday 19th. There is also a parental contribution form on which you can write a message to your child about their progress and learning.

Stockport County Football

Stockport County visited us to deliver an exciting assembly. Even Vernon Bear made an appearance and we were lucky enough to be joined by Chris Hussey, who plays in defence for the team. Hursthead Infant School was even featured on the Stockport County Twitter page. Please remember to claim your free tickets that are on offer by **14th December at 12pm.**



Christmas Lunch

The children will be enjoying a Christmas lunch on Wednesday 14 December. Please only contact the school office if your child doesn't want a Christmas lunch and would prefer a jacket potato.

Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 16 December

We will be celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 16 December in aid of 'Mission Christmas Cash for Kids'. Everyone will be asked to wear their Christmas or favourite jumper and make a donation of £1 or more by visiting our online fundraising page -

<https://www.cashforkidsgive.co.uk/campaign/mission-christmas-manchester-fundraising-2022/fundraisers/hursthead-infant-school/>

Cost of Living

We are mindful of the fact that, across the country, more and more families are feeling the pressure of the cost of living crisis. If you feel that this is something that is affecting your family you can contact school in confidence, we can offer support and advice.

Support and advice can also be found at the link below:

<https://www.stockport.gov.uk/topic/cost-of-living-support>

Don't forget, you can check to see if your child is eligible for Free School Meals at any time. Even if you have not been eligible in the past, it is worth trying again:

<https://www.stockport.gov.uk/start/free-school-meals-application-form>

If your family is eligible for Free School Meals you may be able to access free holiday activities here:

<https://www.stockport.gov.uk/information-for-parents-and-carers>

Last day of term

Please can the children come to school wearing their Christmas or favourite jumpers again on the last day of term. A fun day of music and Christmas activities will be enjoyed by all!

School closes on Thursday 22 December for the Christmas holidays and re-opens on Monday 9 January. I hope you all have a happy, enjoyable and safe Christmas and wish you a healthy 2023.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Karen Grant
Headteacher