

# Headteacher's Bulletin

03/11/2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term, and it has already been a busy one. All year groups have now held their SPLAT sessions and, as always, it has been encouraging to see so many parents in school – thank you to those who have been able to come. There are plenty more activities to come this term and we look forward to seeing more of you then.

Thank you for your support.

Matt Hickey

Headteacher



## Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who was able to support our Book Fair. We made enough sales to earn over £785 of free books for our school! This will ensure we can keep our library well stocked with exciting, varied and relevant reads for the whole school to enjoy!



## Christmas Gifts – Shop Closing Date Extended!

You can still order your Christmas cards and gifts with your child's unique design on, as the shop is now open until 23.59 on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November!



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**Friends of Highwood** We received a fantastic number of donations today for the Winter Fair, thank you! Don't forget, there is another non-uniform day on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December, which will be for bottles and chocolates (details to follow). Pre-loved uniform is available to buy online again! Click [here](#) to see stock and to order. We are currently only collecting donations of uniform with the school logo, due to storage issues. Please consider donating any non-logo uniform to the clothing bank outside the office. Don't forget to buy tickets for the disco! Deadline for tickets is 8.00pm on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November. Thank you to everyone who came to our first parent/adult quiz before half term – it was a great night, enjoyed by all!

Don't forget to buy your poppies and Pudsey merchandise next week.



## Autumn Term 2023 Diary Dates



**Children in Need Day**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November



**FOH Non-Uniform Day**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December



**Maths Workshop available to parents**

> Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December



**FS and KS1 Nativity - morning**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

**Years 1-6 Christmas Lunch/Party with Christmas Jumper Day Fundraiser**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

**FS and KS1 Nativity - afternoon**

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December

**FS and KS1 Nativity - morning**

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December

**FOH Winter Fair**

Sat 9<sup>th</sup> December, 11.00am-2.00pm

**F1 and F2 Christmas Party**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December

**Parent Book Look**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December

**Last Day of Autumn Term**

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December



## Attendance 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> October

Whole school attendance:	94.6%
Top class for attendance:	Year 5D 98.8%

Whole School Target – over 96%

Now that we have returned well-rested from half term hopefully our whole school attendance figure will rise again, to our target of over 96%. Well done to Year 5D, with a fantastic 98.8% attendance!



## Remembrance Day



As Remembrance Day falls on a weekend this year, the schools will be holding an Act of Remembrance next Friday. Members of the public are invited to attend the Woodley Town Council event, which will be taking place on Remembrance Day (Saturday 11th November) and the Woodley Memorial Committee are also holding an event on Remembrance Sunday.