



**St Hugh of Lincoln**  
Catholic Primary School  
In faith and love, we learn and grow



## **Newsletter**

### **16th December 2022**

Dear parents and carers,

We have had the most wonderful week in school with the Christmas parties taking place and the Christmas lunch which were enjoyed enormously by all the children. Thank you to our wonderful 'Friends' who spent a huge amount of time preparing wonderful craft activities for the children to do during the parties and for providing them all with a lovely party bag and gift to take home. The children loved dancing at the disco in the hall and playing party games including Christmas Bingo and Musical Statues.

As we draw to the end of the Autumn term, I would like to thank you all for your wonderful support for our school. It has been a pleasure to welcome you and the children every morning even when it has been really cold such as this week. I wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and look forward to seeing you all again in the New Year.

I hope you enjoy seeing what the children have been up across the school in this week.

God bless,

Mrs Grace

Head of School









## Reception Class

Reception have enjoyed using this cold weather as an opportunity to explore freezing and melting. They were very creative when using natural items like leaves, twigs and pine cones to make their own ice baubles that we used to decorate our outdoor area. They look absolutely beautiful and have not melted yet this week! Our cheeky elf managed to get himself frozen in an ice bath and the children have enjoyed watching him defrost by the radiator!

Inside, Reception have been enjoying the story of the Jolly Christmas Postman. To help enhance our learning about the postal system, each child has written a Christmas message to their family. We were all so proud of the amazing progress they have made with their phonics and writing! It was wonderful to see how excited they were to walk to our local post box to post their letters! Thank you to all the fabulous volunteers who accompanied us on our walk. We hope our Reception parents enjoy receiving their special letters through the post! (Hopefully before Christmas!)







## Year 1

Throughout the second half of the Autumn term, Year 1 have been comparing the similarities and differences between ways of life in different periods. We have been asking and answering questions all about different artefacts. Here are some artefacts we looked at this week to help us understand what school would have been like for children in the 1950/1960s.



## Year 2

Our Year 2 R.E. Followers have been preparing our Prayer Corner in the classroom for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. During Advent we put a purple cloth on our prayer table, switch on our candles and reflect on the importance of Advent with our Advent wreath.

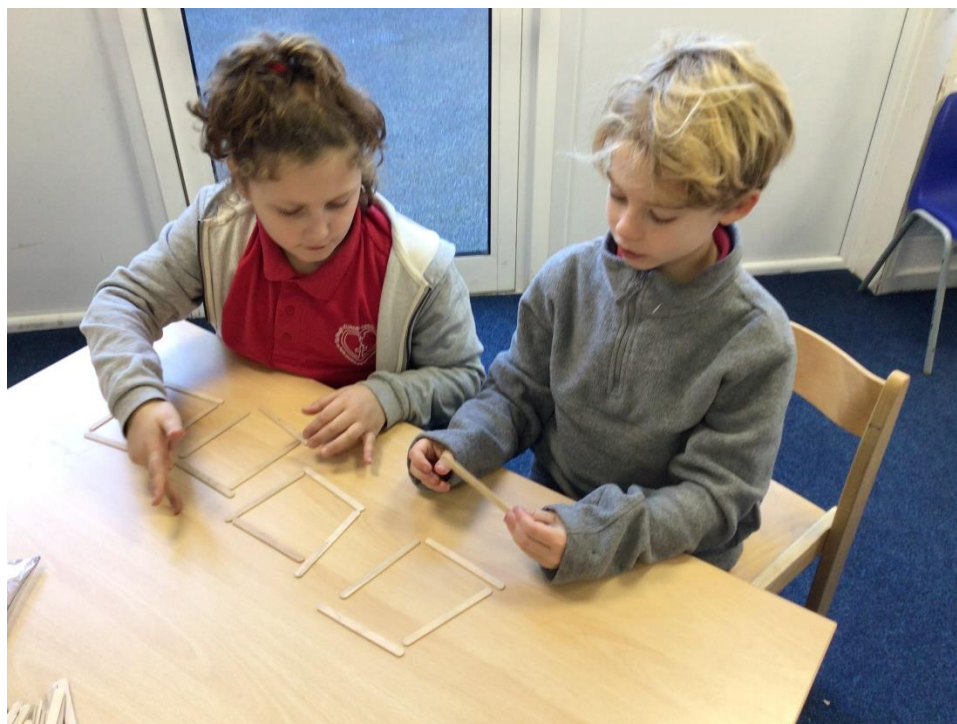
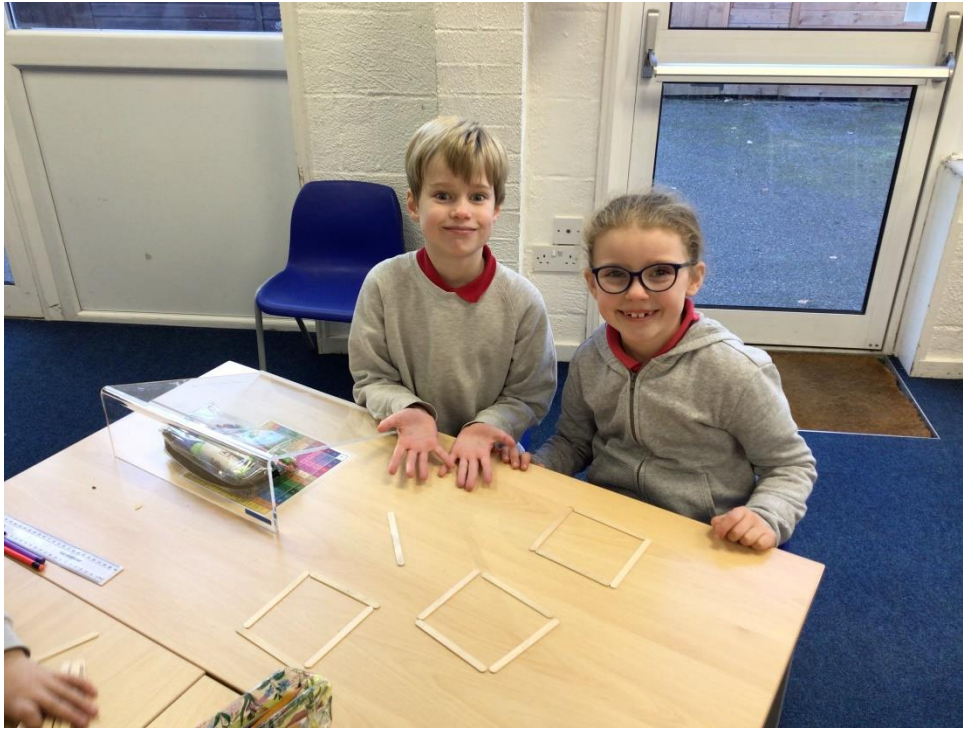




### Year 3

In their maths lessons this week, Year Three have been solving multiplication and division problems. They have realised that some division problems leave a remainder. "One lolly pop stick is left over." "There's an extra stick."

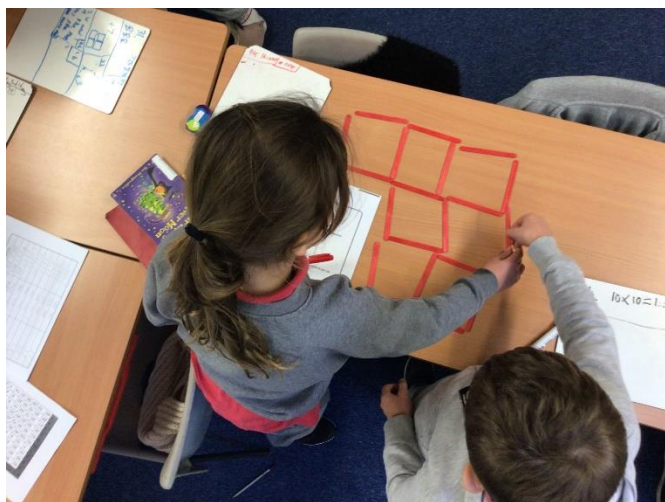
Through their practical investigation, they also discovered that the greatest possible remainder is one less than the number they divide by. "It can only be three, because if you have four it will be a whole set."





## Year 4

The year 4 children have been having great fun within their maths lesson this week as they completed some practical maths tasks. They worked in different groups to solve problems on whiteboards using a variety of resources. The activities asked them to solve mathematical problems or puzzles, recognise different types of numbers and add several numbers mentally. The children enjoyed the free flow nature of the tasks, and worked well in a variety of groups as they completed each activity. Some great maths problem solving through teamwork. Well done year 4!





## Year 5

With all the festivities happening in school this week, we had some extra Christmas kindness in Year 5. Some of the pupils in the class came up with the idea of Secret Kindness Santa. It involves all the class and adults, and everyone has been secretly given a name. They will then show some acts of kindness to that person before the end of term when we will all find out who each other had! I'm looking forward to hearing all the extra kind acts Year 5 have done. Well done boys - what a lovely idea!



## Year 6

This week, we have started our maths topic of coordinates. We played a game of battle ships to practice our coordinate reading skills.





This term we have been designing and creating waistcoats for our teddies in design and technology. It has been hard at times, especially learning how to sew, but we all stuck with it and worked together.







## Reindeer Run update

The winners were announced at today's assembly. The winners of the most outstanding antlers prizes were:

KS1 Antoni

KS2 Olivia

The children who raised the most were

KS1 First place - Grayson Grimshaw – Reception

Second place – Thomas Stratford – Year 2

KS2

First place – Lola Butcher – Year 3

Rebecca Scully – Year 6

Total raised was £1,470.00.

All proceeds have been donated Woking & Sam Beare Hospice and Wellbeing Care.

Thank you for all your support at home for this worthwhile cause.

















## Music Club Performance 14<sup>th</sup> December

What a wonderful performance from the children who attend Mrs Evans' after school music club. Thank you to Mrs Evans for all your hard work this term.



## Planet Soccer Camp during the holiday

Planet soccer are pleased to announce they will be running a multi sport camp from Wednesday January 4<sup>th</sup> to Friday January 6<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30am - 4:30pm. For more information or to book please follow the link attached..

<https://bookwhen.com/planetsoccercamps>

## Spring term Planet Soccer Clubs booking link

If you would like your child to participate in Multi-Sports club or Football club, the link below not only lists all of the clubs we will be providing in your school, but also how to register and book on too:

<https://bookwhen.com/footballclubs#focus=ev-sm0x-20221213150000>

## Home Learning Phonics/Early Reading Read Write Inc. - Virtual Classroom films

Please see below the links for each phonics group to complete at home this week. Please set aside 10 minutes to watch the film with your child at least three times a week. Please find a quiet space for your child to watch the film on a laptop or tablet. Please praise your child as he/she joins in with the lesson.

Reception- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/yImA6On0/Tin4euAH> and <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/3rhzm55k/qbQv2rFR>

Reception Mrs Iles' Group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/YD2B0ZBj/ZSyKCZW2>

Green Group-<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/3lqyEt5u/84k7tm2p>

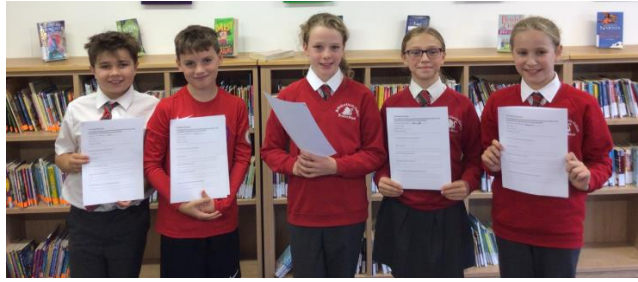
Purple Group-<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/VNW7TENJ/QXdtF2mp>

Pink Group-<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/T1UC9xly/XdxwEpWM>

Orange Group-<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/O3atQXYr/dswNEqLL>

Blue and Grey Group- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/rJaJC5PM/67DF90M5>

## Curriculum Team Updates



Click this link to our website to find some exciting Science experiments that you can do at home recommended by our fabulous.

<https://www.sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Curriculum+Team&pid=148>

### Dates for your Diary

#### December

**20<sup>th</sup> December Tuesday** – Christmas Mass for Y6 and their parents at St Hugh's Parish Church. Parents who would like to attend are welcome. Church will be open from 8.45am. We will walk the children back to school afterwards.

**21<sup>st</sup> December Wednesday** – End of Autumn Term - early finish 1pm

#### January

**9<sup>th</sup> January Monday** – Return to school for start of Spring Term

**31<sup>st</sup> January Tuesday** – Internet Safety Workshops – included is a talk for parents

#### February

**1<sup>st</sup> February Wednesday** – INSET Day

**10<sup>th</sup> February Friday** – Break up for Half term – normal time 3.15pm

#### Reception Learn and Share sessions:

Please arrive at 2.45 via the main entrance (by the office) where you can collect your child from their YR classroom to share their learning with you in the school hall. The session will finish by 3.15.

Friday 10th February 2023

Friday 26th May 2023



## Class Masses

We are delighted to announce that Class Masses will begin again in the Spring Term. They will be celebrated by either Fr Rob or Fr Nick and parents of the children in the class are invited to attend. Here are the dates:

Y6 Mass Thurs 26th Jan @9.00am in hall  
Y5 Mass Thurs 9th Feb @9.00am in hall  
Y4 Mass Thurs 9th Mar @9.00am in hall  
Y3 Mass Thurs 23rd Mar @9.00am in hall  
Y2 Liturgy Thurs 27th Apr @9.00am in hall  
Y1 Liturgy Thurs 25th May @9.00am in hall  
YR Liturgy Thurs 22nd June @9.00am in hall

## Term Time Absences – Government Guidance for parents

From 1 September 2013, a change to government legislation meant that schools are no longer allowed to authorise requests for children to be taken out of school during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. These circumstances will be determined by the child's head teacher, including the number of school days a child can be away from school, if leave is authorised.

Regulations ask that parents allow enough time for the head teacher to consider requests before leave is taken. If the head teacher refuses permission, each parent may be issued with a penalty notice, or prosecuted. Penalty Notices are issued by the Local Authority in accordance with Surrey County Council's Code of Conduct. The Penalty Notice is £60 per child per parent/carer, if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in parents being served a summons to appear at the Magistrates Court.

For further guidance:

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/at-school/attendance-and-absence#parents>

In exceptional circumstances, please complete this form for a request for leave of absence to be considered.

<https://www.sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk/site/data/files/files/forms/FAA6E3E1E4E6B343F98146A3F2D74904.pdf>

## Safeguarding contact reminder

We seek to provide a safe and happy environment for all children. This means that we have a Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy and procedures in place. If you are concerned about a child's welfare, please record your concern, and any observations or conversation heard, and report to Mrs Grace or Mrs Pickard or [dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk) as soon as possible the same day.

