



SCHOOL NEWS

15th December 2022



Christmas time at HISN has been truly magical. The children impressed us with their performances; they sang beautifully and put lots of effort into learning their lines and actions. Thank you for all your support and lovely comments. The performances were recorded prior to or after their performance (depending on levels of absence within the class) and will be shared on Tapestry for Reception and Nursery and the home learning site for Y1 & 2.

This week we have been busy with Christmas lunches, parties with a visit from Father Christmas and having our compliment chain celebrations. Year One has visited All Saints Church and all children across the school have been enjoying some Christmas crafting.

We will be saying goodbye to Ms Viagi and Mrs Kaur this week as they leave HISN to begin new adventures. We will miss them and wish them the best of luck.

I hope you have a lovely Christmas and New year.

Claire Cook - Head of School

COMPETITION

We are revamping the school newsletter, one of the key features is that you will be able to translate the text into any language you wish. This should hopefully make things easier for families who have English as an additional language or who are indeed multilingual.

We will also be renaming the newsletter. If you would like to enter the re-naming competition, please follow the link below.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TERM DATES



Spring Term 2023

Tuesday 3rd January INSET Day

Wednesday 4th January Children Return to school

HALF TERM - MONDAY 13TH FEBRUARY—FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY

Friday 31st March End of Spring Term (1.20pm HISN)

Summer Term 2023

Tuesday 18th March Children Return to School

Monday 1st May May Day Bank Holiday

Friday 26th May Inset Day

HALF TERM - MONDAY - FRIDAY 29TH MAY - 2ND JUNE

Friday 21st July End of Term (1.20pm HISN)

Term Time Leave

The Education Authority does not encourage children to be absent from school during term time. If you need to take your child out of school during term time please call or email the school office - office.hisn@hpp.school. The office will send out an Application for Leave form for you to complete.

DIARY DATES

January 2023

Thursday 5th Open morning for prospective parents - 9.15am

Monday 9th HISN clubs start for ten weeks (3.05pm to 4.05pm) - **note new times**

Wednesday 11th 2J & 2D Parent Showcase 9am to 9.30am

Sunday 15th Deadline for applications to Reception 2023

Wednesday 18th 2A & 2T Parent Showcase 9am to 9.30am

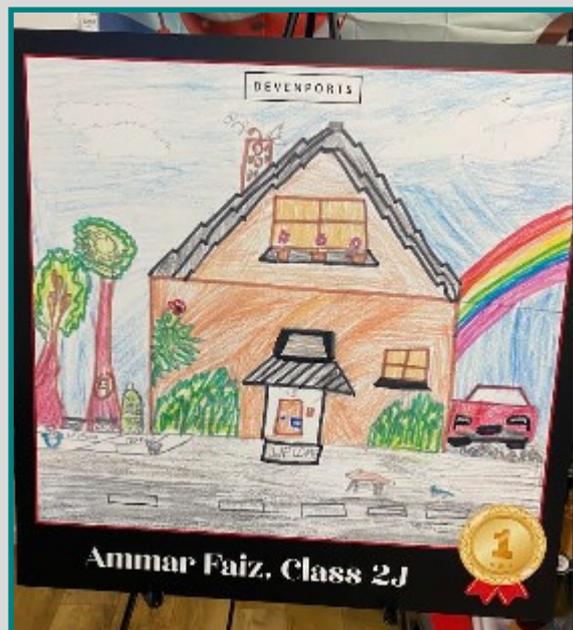
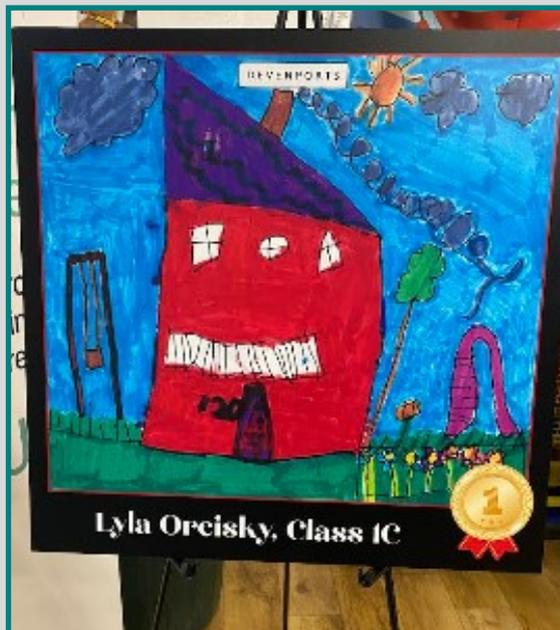
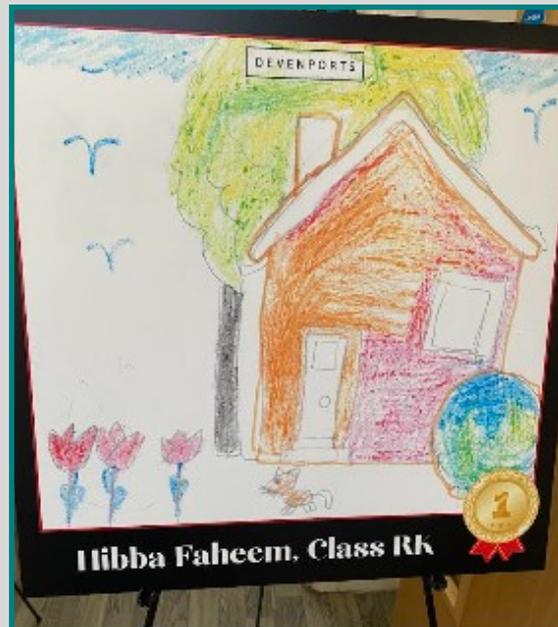
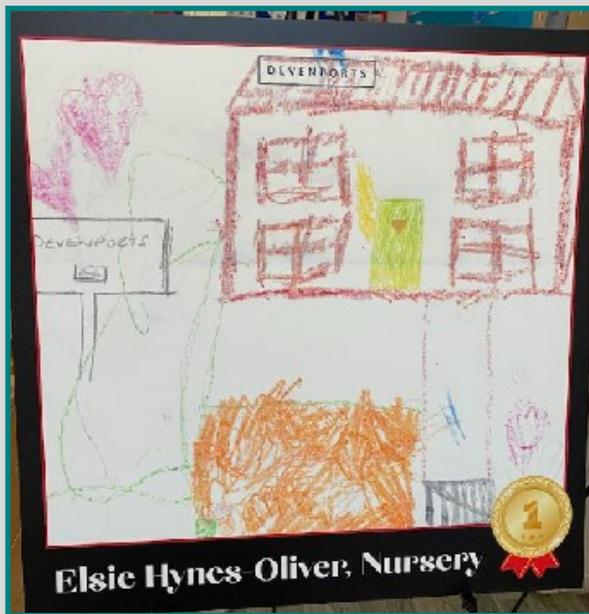
Friday 20th 2J Class Assembly 2.30pm

Wednesday 25th Drama workshops



DEVENPORTS

Below are the winners drawings of the Devenports draw my house competition. We had lots of brilliant entries and it was very difficult to judge. Thank you to everyone who took part.



Certificates of Excellence



Certificates for week commencing 28/12/22 for Independence

RDC Myra	1B Matilda	2A Florence
RF Orestis	1C Dhairya	2D Evie
RC Lucy	1H WilliamP	2J Sophia
RK Dessa	1K Taylan	2T Fred



Certificates for week commencing 05/12/22 for Pride

RDC Morgan	1B Krishna	2A Amelia
RF Ayaan	1C Olivia	2D Cassidy
RC Kamran	1H Ottilie	2J Saifan
RK Everleigh	1K Arjun	2T Malachi





NURSERY

Festive cheer and excitement has taken over the Nursery as we prepare for Christmas! On Friday the Nursery was full of our wonderful families who came to support the children in their Christmas singing. The children sang beautifully and have been working hard on their Makaton signing to accompany our Christmas songs. We are so proud of each of the children and admired their confidence in front of a room full of adults. Thank you to all who were able to join us, we hope we put a smile on your faces and helped get you into the festive spirit.

Over the past few weeks the children have enjoyed watching the garden change and noticing that the leaves have fallen from our trees. Another very exciting discovery was the frost which had settled and finding ice in the garden too. This sparked lots of conversation around freezing and melting. Playing out in the snow was also a particular highlight this week. Alongside this the children have enjoyed baking gingerbread men in our playdough area, getting creative whilst making Christmas cards and selling hot drinks in our newly opened cafe and bakery.

We would like to wish everyone in our school community a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Nursery staff and children.





RECEPTION

What a super, festive few weeks it's been in Reception! The children have done such a fantastic job of learning Christmas songs and learning to move around the stage and act out their parts. They have really enjoyed dressing up in costumes and role-playing the Nativity story in class too. They were all superstars while we filmed scenes for their show and recorded their action songs. We think they have all done a brilliant job during their big performance - what a wonderful achievement! We hope you enjoyed watching the Christmas production as much as we have enjoyed creating it. We are so proud of them.

Along with the festive singing, the children have had a brilliant time over these last couple of weeks and have really brought the Christmas vibes. On Tuesday, the children loved putting on their sparkles for our Christmas party. There was lots of dancing, even more singing and a very yummy Christmas packed lunch and a visit from Santa, who took a little break from his very busy life in the North Pole to deliver some gifts to everyone. Along with their festive packed lunch, on Wednesday the children really enjoyed eating their Christmas roast in the lunch hall. They wore their wonderfully designed party hats and heard their favourite Christmas songs whilst they munched.

To finish the Autumn term and extend the Christmas festivities, the children will watch the staff Christmas Panto tomorrow ; the teachers will act out the story of Aladdin. What a brilliant way to end the year!





YEAR 1

Well done to the amazing Year 1 children for performing so well in our Christmas production 'Born in a Barn'. We have all enjoyed learning the festive songs and actions that go alongside the Christmas story, and we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. You can find the videos of the performances on the school website to enjoy again at home with your family.

In English, we have been reading the story 'The Jolly Postman' by Janet and Alan Ahlberg. We have been focusing on letter writing and looking at the features of a letter, before writing our very own letter to Father Christmas himself, saying what we would like for Christmas and what good deeds we have been doing to make it onto his 'nice' list!

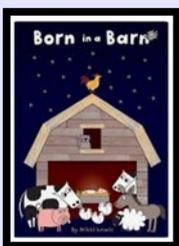
In Maths, we have been looking at numbers to 20, working particularly on our understanding of teen numbers and how many tens and ones are in each. We have also been counting and finding one more and one less than a given number, using Base 10 and number lines to help us.

In Science we have been continuing our work on materials and looking at the different properties of each. We have been thinking about what materials would work best to keep us dry, making predictions and carrying out an investigation to test our theories. We looked at whether materials were absorbent or waterproof, and opaque or transparent, and gave reasons for why we thought certain materials would be more effective than others.

In Geography, the children have extended the scale of their investigation of the school grounds, carrying out simple fieldwork in the area immediately local to the school. Using Google Maps, we went on a tour of Hampton and spotted different features virtually. We looked at the symbols used on maps and learnt what these represent, using a key, as well as identifying which features were human and which were physical.

We have had a wonderful time visiting All Saints Church this week, which has really helped get us in the Christmas spirit. We had great fun carrying out the scavenger hunt and identifying the various artefacts around the church.

The children have worked so hard this term and we are all immensely proud of every single one of them and the progress they have made, both in their work and in themselves. We hope you enjoy a well-earned break over Christmas and that you have a joyful, relaxing time. We look forward to seeing you in the New Year refreshed and ready for the spring term!



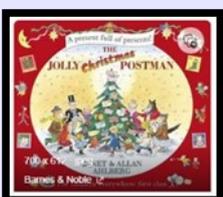
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- One less than 19
- One more than 14
- One more than 11

10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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Number the key features as we see them on our virtual walk around Hampton.

Chemist		Shop	
School		Butchers	
Place of Worship		Railway Station	
Supermarket		Doctor's Surgery	



Material	?				
fabric					
metal					
paper					
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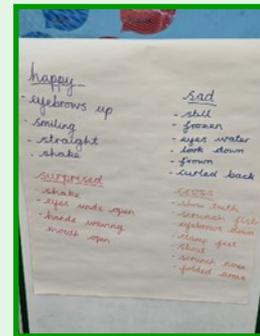
P =	H =				
house	hills	shops	volcano	train station	bridge
mountains	park	waterfalls			



YEAR 2

What an amazing autumn term it has been! The children have been full of enthusiasm and determination, taking on every challenge in their learning. They have greatly enjoyed our topic of 'Fire and Ice', where we have uncovered information about different countries around the world and have studied various texts that explore a range of climates.

In English, we have been looking at the picture book 'Once Upon a Snowstorm' and use descriptive language through 'show and not tell' to say how a character is feeling. This week, the children have written their own stories to describe what happens in the illustrations. They have been challenged to include adverbs and conjunctions.



In science, we have thought about how we can keep our bodies healthy in different ways, such as: exercise, hygiene and our diets. The children did a range of exercises and recorded how their body felt after each exercise, including: sweating, faster heart beat, thirsty and feeling hot. Then we moved onto why it is important to keep good hygiene, especially washing our hands. We carried out experiments to investigate what is the best way to wash our hands and how far germs can spread if we do not



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Follow the instructions on the website exactly, in particular setting the age of the child.
We recommend you set the device not to allow *any* apps or games to be installed without your permission.
Protect your settings with a strong password that is not known to the child.



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