

Tiny TIMES

2023-24 Term 2

Welcome to our newsletter!

Welcome to the second edition of our student newsletter. We have been looking forward to sharing another newsletter with you, packed full of school events from across Term 2. Children from the ages of 8-11 have worked hard and created a newsletter that I hope you enjoy.

By Annie (Editor, Y6)



Green Class Wreath Making

Year 4 were visited by Rev. Judy who helped them make a new advent wreath to use at school during Collective Worship. There are different coloured candles which symbolize hope, peace, joy, love and light/purity. Green Class had lots of fun doing something that the whole school will see.

By April, Zara, Violet, Isla, Phoebe and Darcie (all Y4)



Christmas Carols

In assemblies this term, KS2 have been beautifully practising two Christmas carols to prepare for the Christmas service at the end of term. Their favourite is We Three Kings!

Some of the choir even went to sing songs at the Baptist church recently!

Thank you to Mrs Poland for helping us master the songs!

By Stevie (Y5) and Erica (Y5)

Christmas Tree in the Hall

The hall has been lit up with our fantastic Christmas tree. Children have enjoyed feeling festive whilst eating their lunch and it has brightened up our December! Thank you to the adults who generously lent their time to put decorations on it!

By Erica (Y5)
and Violet (Y4)



Christmas Tree Festival

Some children from Year 4 and Year 5 have put together some sparkly Christmas decorations for the Christmas Tree Festival at St Laurence's Church. Thank you to Mrs De Simone and Mrs Faulkner for helping make the decorations and taking our tree to the church.

By Annie (Y6) and April (Y4)



Rainbow Class Nativity

We were treated to a fantastic performance by Rainbow Class during their dress rehearsal of 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel' to the school. They were very brave and we could see how much time and effort they put into the play. The songs were beautiful and they all looked cute. It was so beautiful and inspiring to see!

By Elizabeth (Y6) and April (Y4)



Red and Orange Class Nativity

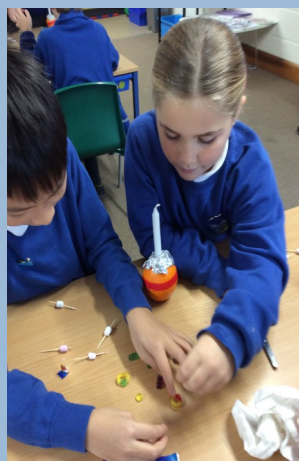
On Tuesday 11th December, Red and Orange Class produced the annual nativity play, with help of their class staff. All of the other classes were amazed by the amount of progress the classes had made. Ms Dembowicz (who helped with the technology) said, "It was such an honour to have been able to be part of such a special moment in the children's early lives." Close to the end, they sung a slow rendition of a traditional carol. Two of the characters read a reading from the Bible and then they sung a song as we made our way out. Well done to everyone involved!

By Holly and Annie (Y6)

Christingle

The Christingle service celebrates different elements of Christmas. The orange represents the world and is the main part that makes the Christingle whole. The red ribbon represents Jesus's love for us which is never ending. The sticks and sweets are for the gifts that God gives us and there are four to represent the seasons. The candle represents Jesus as the light of the world. We were joined by Revered Judy who helped us make our own and then she held collective worship and we lit staff Christingles and the Year 6 ones, too!

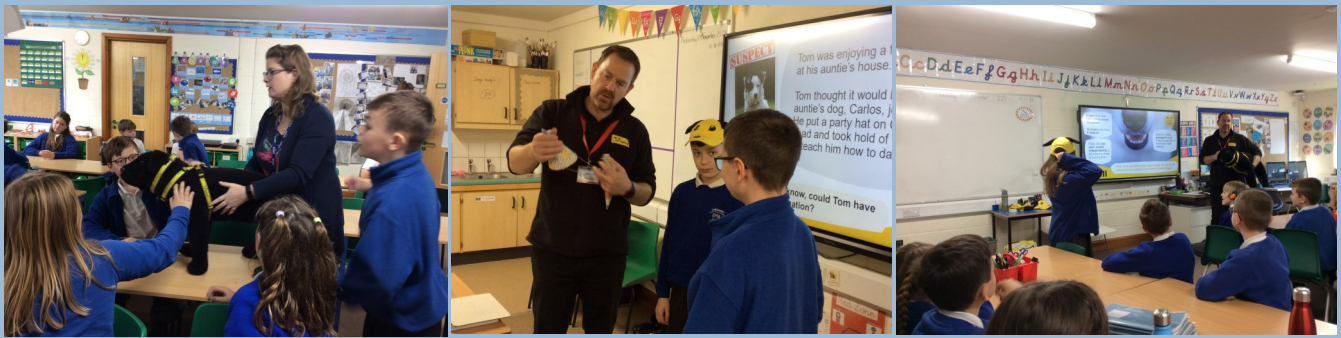
By Erica (Y5)



Dogs Trust

Phil and his toy dog Larry visited us this term for an assembly and then worked with Years 1-6 in their classrooms. He was a very funny and kind man and taught us how to be more safe around dogs. Phil got lots of children to come up to the front to help demonstrate (if they wanted to). His top piece of advice was to make a x with our arms and clench our fists if a dog does choose to jump up at us. If you are really scared, you should curl in a ball and tuck in your head so that your back is facing the sky. Also, we must ask permission from your parents, the owner and the dog if you want to stroke it.

By Elizabeth (Y6)



Green Class Forest School

Year 4 were due to go to the forest school area during their forest school session earlier this term. However, it was wet and soggy so we did paper/cardboard cut out creatures. We had to get a stencil and draw out on paper or cardboard. Then we cut it out and designed and decorated them. Faye and Millie said, "its cool to do some art when we were meant to be outside."



By Isla (Y4)



Children in Need

This term we celebrated Children in Need on 17TH November. Schools all around the country, including our very own Hawkhurst, were dressing up in any bling or sparkle they owned. £208.71 was raised at our school, however millions of millions were raised in total. The teachers rocked their outfits, although the children looked quite epic. Miss Eastwood the teacher of Year 4 told us, “It was such a sparkly, glittery day and we raised lots of money for charity!”

By Annie (Y6)



Remembrance Day

Remembrance day is a day to remember those who gave their today for our tomorrow and to those who lost so much but found a way to carry on. We celebrate remembrance day every year as a way to give thanks to those that protected us throughout WW1 and WW2 which is why we are so free today. Sometimes we forget how lucky we are to be in this world and be ruled by kind royals and not have to fight for our right as our own country. We must be grateful for our everyday life and remember everyone who helped Britain get through both world wars.



Every year, Head Boy and Head Girl lay a wreath at Hawkhurst's memorial in the centre of the village. We do it to respect the soldiers in the war that died and who helped war effort. The wreath is usually made of poppies because once WW2 ended, poppies grew on the battle field.

Head Boy and Head Girl sold poppies for the charity the Royal British Legion. They sold two whole boxes of poppies and raised £164 for charity.



Our school also marked remembrance day by making a remembrance display which included beautiful, handcrafted poppies and information about why we wear our poppies.

By Millie, Head Girl (Y6)

Interview with a Peer Mediator

What is a positive of being a peer mediator? **I get to help children out**

What is your favourite food? **Fries**

What is your least favourite food? **Tomato**

What is your favourite TV show? **Stranger Things**

What is your least favourite TV show? **My Little Pony**

What is your favourite book? **Goosebumps 3**

What is your least favourite book? **Peppa Pig**

What is your hobby? **Art, I prefer drawings**

What is your happiest memory? **When I went to Disneyland for my 4th birthday**

What is your saddest memory? **I was 10 years old when I fell of a rope swing and got a huge scar**

Why did you choose to be a peer mediator? **I love helping Children**

Is being a peer mediator hard? **No**

By Annie (Y6)



Interview with Miss Gorham

What class do you teach this year? **Rainbow Class**

Do you like looking after the Rainbows? **Yes, they are all lovely**

Do you prefer teaching Year 1 or Rainbow class? **Both**

What is your favourite school dinner? **Fish and chips!**

What is your favourite lesson to do with Rainbow class? **Literacy**

What was your favourite Year 1 subject? **DT**

What is your favourite hair style? **Hair down**

What is your favourite event of the year? **World Book Day**

What subject are you in charge of? **Art and D&T**

How long have you been teaching? **5 years**

What do you like about teaching at Hawkhurst? **All the lovely children!**

By Zara and Phoebe (Y4)



**Zara and Phoebe
(Reporters)**



Miss Gorham