

Dear Parents / Carers,

As Christmas and the end of term approaches, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on what has been an absolutely jam-packed half term! Thank you for all your help and support. The children at Hackwood continue to make us proud each and every day. I am thrilled to say they have really lived our motto to Believe, Achieve and Succeed!

We have had so many successes this half-term – Restaurant Days, Trip to Matlock Farm, Great Fire of London Workshop, a trip to the National Space Centre, science experiments, swimming, singing performances, visiting The National Memorial Arboretum, raising money for charity as well as a flurry of end of term activities including a Winter Extravaganza and numerous craft days for all phases of the school!

Suffice to say I am incredibly proud of all the pupils, staff and the community for making Hackwood such a great place to learn!

I would like to close by wishing you and your families a happy and peaceful Christmas period with your loved ones.

Mr Miah
Principal



Parent Survey Feedback

Thank you to all the parents and carers for your responses to our first school survey. We were overwhelmed and delighted with the number of responses and the positive comments. It was great to hear of all the trust and support you have placed in the school.

We were particularly pleased with children saying how happy they are at school and how you were aware of the learning that was going on. We sincerely believe that learning is strengthened by yourselves at home - thank you.

There were areas that we know we can do even better in, we have already looked at the feedback and will look to address some of these next term. Thank you!

Mr Miah



INSPIRE CURRICULUM AT HACKWOOD

At Hackwood Primary Academy, we follow the Harmony Trust's INSPIRE curriculum. Our curriculum inspires children to: investigate, nurture, develop new skills, be practical, be imaginative, reflect and enjoy learning - INSPIRE

Our long term plans are in line with the National Curriculum and, where appropriate, they incorporate cross-curricular links. Learning provides children with opportunities to develop the skills identified through INSPIRE.

Throughout their time at Hackwood, we ensure that children have memorable experiences. We enhance learning through enrichment activities, school trips, visitors and opportunities to fulfil the Harmony Pledge.

Through our INSPIRE curriculum, we intend for children to be curious, enthusiastic and inspired about learning. We intend that children at Hackwood Primary have the confidence to persevere so that they become lifelong learners who believe, achieve and succeed.

INSPIRE CURRICULUM GALLERY

Here are some of the highlights from our INSPIRE Curriculum this half-term



If you do have any questions about our INSPIRE Curriculum please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher.

Hackwood's Winter Reading Challenge 2022


Over the holidays see how many of these reading challenges you can **tick off**! Upload pictures and examples onto your class **Seesaw** so we can share them in January!

If you manage to tick off **20+** your name will be put into a prize draw with the chance to **win a book**. Everyone who enters will also get a **certificate**

#READTOACHIEVETOSUCCEED

WINTER READING CHALLENGE

B I N G O *for kids*

BOOK ABOUT WINTER	BOOK OF SHORT STORIES	BOOK RELEASED THIS YEAR	READ INSIDE A PILLOW FORT	BOOK IN A SERIES
READ WEARING PJs	BOOK WITH A # IN THE TITLE	READ A CLASSIC	INTERACTIVE BOOK	A TO Z BOOK
FUNNY BOOK	READ AFTER DINNER		A FAIRY OR FOLK TALE	BOOK OF POETRY
BOOK WITH A COLOR IN THE TITLE	ATTEND LIBRARY EVENT OR STORY TIME	BOOK WITH NON-HUMAN CHARACTERS	BOOK ABOUT MUSIC	BOOK WITH RHYMES OR TONGUE TWISTERS
CHAPTER BOOK	BOOK SET IN ANOTHER COUNTRY	NON-FICTION BOOK	BOOK BORROWED FROM SOMEONE	BOOK INSPIRED CRAFT

Good Luck! From the Reading Ambassadors and Miss Morley!

READ – ACHIEVE – SUCCEED

At Hackwood we pride ourselves on how much we read and know that reading is a fundamental life skill! We also LOVE to read and promote reading for pleasure all the time! Thank you so much for coming to our Book Fair which was a resounding success! It was fantastic to see so many children have the chance to buy a book of their choice and enjoy reading!

We will be having more events during Spring Term to consolidate our love for reading! More details to follow in the new year! Watch this space!



Healthy Snacks / Meals / No Nuts Reminder

Just a quick reminder that we are healthy school and part of being healthy includes having a balanced, healthy diet. Please ensure that your child has a healthy packed lunch and ensure there are no fizzy drinks. Furthermore – we are a no nuts school. Please check that your child does not bring any nuts to school. Thank you

Cost of Living Help over the holidays

We are aware that the cost of living crisis affects families in different ways. As part of raising awareness around support available over the holiday period we would like to share a few things that may be of benefit to families in and around the community.



IN PARTNERSHIP TO BRING YOU

Free Christmas Dinner

For people in Derby experiencing food poverty.

If you need assistance, apply by contacting
01332 346266 or
df4ta@communityactionderby.org.uk

Last date to apply 20th December.

Collect from a local hub or delivered to your home on 23rd/24th December.

padleygroup.com Charity No:1015652 communityactionderby.org.uk/df4ta Charity No:1198665





**Think food
Think support
Think change**

The Derby Food 4 Thought Alliance supports people in Derby who are experiencing food poverty, through food provision, signposting, education and advice.

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Need support?

If you need assistance call **01332 346266** - we can provide you with a range of support including an emergency food package.

Want to donate?

We rely on donations of food and money from businesses and individuals. To donate email:
df4ta@communityactionderby.org.uk

Interested in volunteering?

We're always looking for volunteers to help with all kinds of tasks. For more information email:
df4ta@communityactionderby.org.uk



The Derby Food 4 Thought Alliance is supported by Community Action Derby and proud to be part of The Derby Community Hub - a multi-sector partnership that includes Derby City Council. DF4TA is a registered charity (no. 1198665).

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Community Action

HACKWOOD'S ANTI – BULLYING MESSAGE

Earlier this term we took part in the National Anti-Bullying campaign called Reach Out. The children at Hackwood engaged well with the campaign and discussed how to recognise bullying and what to do about it if they ever came across it. After working with pupils and staff we decided to adopt our own slogans to ensure that everyone at Hackwood was happy and never have to experience bullying.

We wanted to make sure children were clear and consistent when recognising bullying so we decided on the following:

What is Bullying?

When someone harms another (physically, emotionally or online) Several times on purpose. (STOP)

How to STOP Bullying

Start telling other people (Adults in school or home, friends and other services)

Both the acronyms STOP will facilitate ease of understanding for the children and help us to make sure Hackwood continues to be a bully free zone! We ask that you use these acronyms so that we can have a shared approach.

What is Bullying?



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Dates for the Diary 2022 -23

Monday 9th January 2023

Children return back to school for the Spring Term

Thursday 16th February 2023

Last day of first half of Spring Term

Friday 17th February 2023

INSET Day – School closed for children

Monday 27th February 2023

School reopens after half-term break

Friday 31st March 2023

Last day of Spring Term

Monday 17th April 2023

School re-opens for start of Summer Term



We hope you have a wonderful break!
Thank you for all your commitment and support.
All the staff at Hackwood!