

Hackwood News



22nd December, 2021

Dear Families,

The children have been enjoying their time in school this half term and we are proud to share some photos of the children showcasing their fabulous learning as well as having some festive fun.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff team for their commitment and care towards the children at all times. I would also like to thank you for your support and kind messages.

Have a lovely Christmas and a peaceful Christmas break.

Best wishes,

Mrs T. Rolfs and the Hackwood Team

Executive Principal

Covid

We don't yet know what January will look like, from a covid perspective, but academy and trust leaders will be monitoring the situation over the Christmas break. All staff will be taking a break over the Christmas period, therefore the info@ account will not be monitored. If there is any uncertainty around schooling then a message will be sent to parents by 7th January 2022. At the current time, we **do** expect to be open as usual on 10th January and we do not have any prior notice from the government around decisions that affect schools so please bare this in mind. As always we will endeavour to keep you informed. Many thanks for your support

PROUD Hackwood Learners

This half term we have introduced a new PROUD learning approach. We know how important it is for children to have sense of pride in what they do (as well as who they are) and PROUD stands our 'golden threads' of learning: P-Pride in learning, R-Reading, O-Oracy, U-Understanding myself and a learner, D-Drive and determination. These all link to the Harmony Pledge Character Competencies.

Trim Trail

Over the last few weeks you will have seen the trim trail take shape and we look forward to using it in the new year.

Christmas Learning/ Activities:

Over the Christmas period we hope all our children have some time to recharge their batteries ready for the term ahead and spend quality time with family. It is always helpful to continue with regular reading, whether this be your child's own reading book or sharing a book together so please continue to encourage your child. Please see attached a holiday reading challenge children can join in with. We also attach to this newsletter an optional Digital Challenge for our KS2 children. You are welcome to upload any of these activities onto Seesaw to share with your class in January. Enjoy!

Spring 1 learning

Year group learning documents are shared on the school website, including 'What we are learning about', 'Topic knowledge organisers' and 'Home learning grids'. Please look on our class pages for this information. Any additional home learning for children needing to isolate will also be shared on the website and learning platforms.

<u>Safeguarding</u>

The safeguarding email will be checked each week of the holiday should there be any concerns.

safeguarding@hackwood.theharmonytrust.org

Out of school hours/school holidays contact - The Initial Response Team (9am - 5pm) 01332 641172

At all other times concerns can be discussed with - Derby City Careline (social care) 01332 956606

Further information about Derby Safeguarding procedures are available at https://www.ddscp.org.uk/

Dates for your diary:

Monday 10th January — First day back in school

Thursday 10th February—Year 5 Space Centre Trip and Sleepover (at school)

Tuesday 8th February—Safer Internet Day

January—Year 4 Partake

Friday 18th February—INSET day





Why not show off your amazing iPad skills this Winter?

Challenge yourselves to have a go at some of our Christmas Challenges...or even think of some of your own!

Send a PicCollage Christmas Card!

your own with the pen tool in the Notes app to create your own



reading minutes on MyOn by searching the library for Winter or Christmas related books!

MyOn Christmas!

Use your Garage Band skills or explore

on iMovie or Dolnk to create a digital Christmas Card or

Send a Merry Christmas

make an animated

Rudolf or a Snowman off

Scan the QR Code and Augmented Reality snow

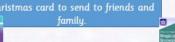
Share your amazing Christmas Challenges to your class teachers by the end of your first week back at school in January













Woodpeckers











Hedgehogs



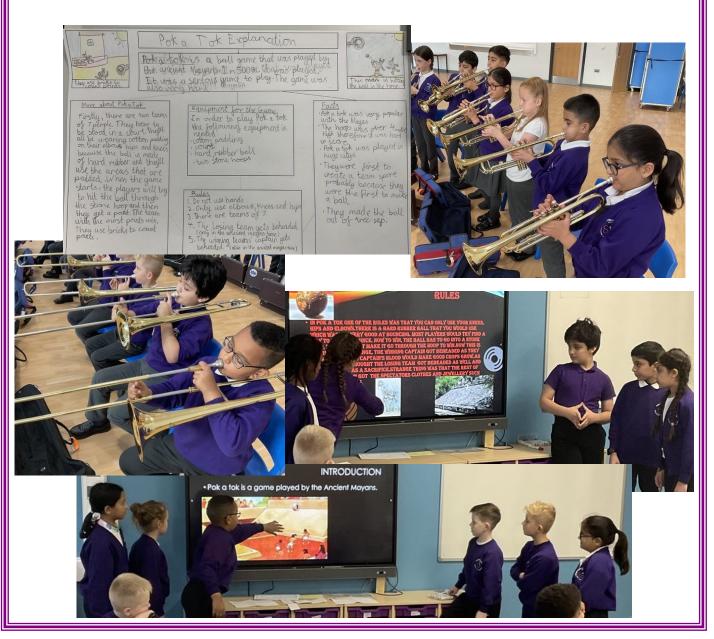






Owls





Badgers





Although not juicy the fig is an incredibly luscious fruit, with a delicate aroma and sweet flavour.

Originally from Asia, figs are now grown across the Mediterranean. The Ancient Greeks regarded them as a delicacy. Since they were (and still are) expensive, they were eaten by the rich, and for special occasions.

Figs



Figs are very delicate and need gentle handling.You can also buy them fried.

Figs have an oval or sqaut pear shape, and thin skin that encloses hundreds of seeds(actually minature fruits themselves)held in a succulent,softly fibrous red or purple fresh.

Christmas at Hackwood!









