



*Be strong and  
courageous.....for  
the Lord your God is  
with you*

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Thursday 18 December 2025

Headteacher's Newsletter No 5

Dear Parent/Carer



As we come to the end of a wonderfully full and festive term, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks for your continued support. December is always a special time at our school, and this year has been no exception. The children have embraced every moment, from practising and performing in our Christmas celebrations, to engaging so thoughtfully in our Advent activities and acts of kindness.

It has been an incredibly busy month, but also one filled with joy, community, and the true spirit of Christmas. Watching the children share their learning, sing with such enthusiasm, and celebrate together has been a real privilege. Thank you for joining us at services, supporting events, and helping to make this season meaningful for them.

Please find below a message from the Chair of Governors:

### **Message from the Chair of Governors**

As the Autumn term draws to a close, I am sure you will all agree that we have had a fantastic term and a wonderful start to Christmas. There is much to celebrate and be proud of here at High Wycombe Church of England School, including some excellent trips and visits that have taken place this term. We had Charlie the snake visits from Zoolab and Year 6 have also had a Victorian experience in school. Once again, we have had some fantastic performances at the whole school Nativity and Carol Service, it's lovely to see our students performing in front of adults so brilliantly! To have delivered such high-quality events in such quick succession is a testament to the quality and commitment of the school staff led by Mrs Hawkins.

The Christmas Fayre was also a success and a wonderful community event. It was great to see parents, staff, volunteers, and the children all pull together to provide the range of activities and stalls that were on offer. Thank you to all the Friends and their supporters for their continued fundraising for the benefit of all the children.



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As well as these wonderful events teachers and staff have also focused on other areas of the curriculum with good progress continuing to be seen. As Governors, we monitor how the school is delivering in all areas of school life in our meetings and visits over the past term. The staff are all always eager to work with us and work to the highest standards, and we look forward to seeing more of what they will accomplish next term.

On behalf of the Governing Body, a big thank you to all staff for all that has been achieved this term. Finally, I would like to thank all parents, carers, and wider friends and family for the support they extend to the children for the provision of costumes for shows, attendance at school events, and of course for simply ensuring that the children are at school on time every day ready to learn. On behalf of the Governing Body, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May you have a restful and peaceful break ahead of the Spring term.

**Holly Robertshaw, Chair of Governors**

### **Christmas Fundraising Success**

We used our Christmas Performance's as an opportunity to raise money for Wycombe Homeless Connection and we would like to thank you for supporting them so generously:

### **We raised a fantastic total of £610.43**

Your generosity and compassion continue to reflect our Christian vision inspired by *Joshua 1:9 -being strong and courageous together, supporting others, and building a community where everyone feels cared for and uplifted.*

### **End of Term**

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Tuesday 6 January 2026**. Please remember that **Monday 5 January** is a staff training day, so school will be closed to pupils.

School will finish at **1.30pm on Friday 19 December**.

### **A few date reminders**

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| • Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December | <b>End of Term 1.30 pm</b>         |
| • Monday 5 January                 | Staff Training Day                 |
| • Tuesday 6 January                | Start of Spring Term 8.30 – 8.45am |
| • Monday 12 January                | Year R Phonics Workshop            |
| • Tuesday 20 January               | Whole School Blessing              |
| • Friday 23 January                | Year 4 Trip to Windsor Castle      |
| • Wednesday 28 January             | Cake sale Year 1,2,4 and 6         |
| • Friday 30 January                | Year 3 Class Assembly              |

As we prepare to break for the holidays, we hold onto the message of hope, peace, and light that Christmas brings. On behalf of all the staff, I wish you and your families a very happy, peaceful, and blessed Christmas, and a restful start to the New Year.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back in January.

Yours sincerely,



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Headteacher



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