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# Hallbrook News

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## Autumn Term 2

### Christmas Message

As we come to the end of a busy Autumn term here at Hallbrook, it is time to reflect on all that has happened and all that has been achieved.

It is a privilege to work alongside a team of such dedicated staff who work so hard every day to ensure that the children receive the best possible learning experiences. Equally, I am impressed on a daily basis by the children who demonstrate excellent attitudes to learning as well as care and respect for one another.

There is so much to celebrate including  
Visits and Visitors  
Sporting Successes  
Discos, Fundraising and charity work  
Family Lunch  
Participation in Anti Bullying Week  
Winter Activities Morning  
School Performances  
OFSTED!

Hallbrook Primary School is definitely a busy and exciting place to be and to learn!

Well done and thank you to everyone who is part of the school community

Wishing you all a happy and restful Christmas!

*Mrs Tracy Withers*

This term has been a busy one for fundraising at the school. We have done so much to help raise additional funds for the school.

Here are the highlights

#### Ladies' Shopping Evening

This was our first event of this type and raised over  
£500



#### Christmas Cards



This staple of Christmas helped to raise over £400

#### Halloween Disco

This is another favourite of the children and we raised a fantastic

£300



#### Music Lessons

We have a new music teacher at the school. Mrs Lacey teaches Piano, Flute and much more. If you are interested in your child learning to play an instrument please contact Mrs Lacey on [jlacey959@gmail.com](mailto:jlacey959@gmail.com).

#### Diary Dates

##### **Autumn Term**

09.12.19 Flu Vaccinations  
12.12.19 EY & KS1 Performance  
13.12.19 EY & KS1 Performance  
13.12.19 Christmas Jumper Day  
Christmas Dinner  
16.12.19 Panto—Whole School  
17.12.19 Yr5/6 Xmas Party  
18.12.19 Yr3/4 Xmas Party  
19.12.19 EY & KS1 Xmas Party  
20.12.19 End of Term

06.01.19 INSET - School Closed to Pupils

##### **SPRING TERM**

07.01.19 School Re-opens  
15.01.19 Deadline: EYFS Applications  
20.01.20 Yr5 & EY Space Dome Visit  
28.01.20 Young Voices  
04.02.20 Yr4 Residential Meeting 5:00  
04.02.20 Yr6 Residential Meeting 17:45  
14.02.20 EY Police Visit Day  
17.02.20 Half Term Starts  
24.02.20 School Re-opens  
26.02.20 Class Photos  
09.03.20 Science Week  
12.03.20 Yr1 Phonics Meeting 17:00  
12.03.20 Yr2 SATS Meeting 17:45  
16.03.20 Yr4 Residential Leave  
18.03.20 Yr4 Residential Re turns  
24.03.20 Parents Evening  
25.03.20 Parents Evening  
01.04.20 Easter Bingo  
06.04.20 Easter Break

##### **SUMMER TERM**

20.04.20 School Re-opens  
05.05.20 Fire Visit Yr1 & Yr5  
11.05.20 SATS Week  
18.05.20 Yr6 PGL Trip Leaves  
22.05.20 Yr6 PGL Returns  
25.05.20 Half Term  
01.06.20 School Re—opens  
26.06.20 Summer Camp  
13.07.20 Summer Holiday Starts

Donations of good quality books for our Library are always welcome.

Thank  
You!



### Scooter Day

All the children enjoyed our Scooter Day which was held to celebrate the recent success around our travel sustainability work the school has been doing.



### Winter Activities Morning

It was a pleasure to see so many people come to the activity morning and help to create our decorations for the St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival. We raised over £200 from the coffee morning. Thankyou to everyone who brought in cakes to support the event.

### Xmas Tree Festival

We have once again taken part in the St Mary's Christmas Tree festival. This year our pupil council created a Hallbrook themed tree which depicted all of the classes and the site. We all think it looked fantastic

Thankyou to Ms Turnbull who came up with the inspiration for this year's design.

### Sporting Success

This term has seen the school take part in a number of activities including Football, Netball, Cross Country, Basketball, Dance and Multi Sports.

Well done to all the children who have taken part in these sports over the term which have included some of the worst cross country conditions we have seen in a long time.

We continue to do well in these sports and our trophy cabinet is just about big enough to hold all the awards we have.

### Staffing Changes

This term we welcomed a number of new faces to the school.

These included :

Miss Timms, Mrs Blackwell and Mrs Sperry who all joined our SEND LSA team

Mr Wright and Mrs Stuart who joined our Governing Board

We also said good bye to a few members of the team Mrs Grigg and Miss Clark who we wish well for the future.

Miss Rushby has been working with Y1/2 during this term and we are pleased to say that that she will be continuing with us for the remainder of the year.

We are delighted to have been accredited with the Route to Resilience award this term



During 2018/19 academic year, we successfully delivered the Route to Resilience Programme– an evidence-based and practical approach to supporting schools and families in their work developing the emotional wellbeing and resilience of children and young people.

The Routes to Resilience programme enabled us to further refine our wellbeing provision and also develop our focus on strengthening students' character muscles. We are very proud to receive this accreditation and we will continue to work with all stakeholders in developing aspects of the programme further.

### Host A Roast

We held a successful "host a roast" event with parents and family of our Year 6 and Early Years children in November.

This is the first of a series of Lunchtime events we are holding this year. The aim of our session is to allow parents to enjoy a roast dinner with their children at the school. The next event will be in the new term and be for our Year 1 and Year 5 classes



We have also been successful this term in obtaining a grant from Leicestershire County Council's Travel Sustainability Department following the work we have been doing over the past 12 months. This grant has enabled us to purchase 15 new balance bikes and helmets for the school so our children can learn to ride bikes. They will be delivered at the start of next term.



# TERM DATES

## Spring Term

Teacher Day:	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2020
School Opens:	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2020
Half Term:	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2020
School Closes:	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020

## Summer Term

School Opens:	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
May Day	
Bank Holiday:	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
Half Term:	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
School Closes:	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2020
Teacher Days:	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2020

## Autumn Term

Teacher Days:	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> August 2020
School Opens:	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> August 2020
Bank Holiday:	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2020
Half Term:	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2020
School Closes:	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2020

## Spring Term

Teacher Day:	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
School Opens:	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Half Term:	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2021
School Closes:	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2021

## Summer Term

School Opens:	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> April
Bank Holiday:	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May
Half Term:	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> May - Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> June
School Closes:	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> July
Teacher Days:	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July