



HALTON LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

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A message from the Head Boy (Charlie) and Head Girl (Summer)

We need your help! We have set up a project to help vulnerable and homeless people in our local area.

Our aim is to donate a hamper full of treats to those less fortunate than us and to spread a bit of festive cheer.

Our aim is to work as a team, in our house groups at school, to provide the YMCA hostel with a range of treats for the residents living there.

If possible can you please donate any of the following products: hats, scarfs, gloves, toothpaste, shower gel, pamper gifts, blankets, hot water bottles, crisps, biscuits, tins of food, dry food (e.g. pasta) and/or Christmas treats.

We would like the items to be handed in by Wednesday 18th December - so that we can get the hamper to them before we finish for Christmas.

We can't wait to help out our local community and spread some festive cheer! Thank you for your help!

Charlie and Summer.

What's Going On Next Week?



Friday 13th December - PTA Christmas Fayre. Please come along to our PTA Christmas Fayre, after school today. *There are lots of great prizes to be won!*

Tuesday, 17th December - Christmas Jumper Day for 'Save

The Children' (£1 donation). We will also be having our school **Christmas dinner** on this day – so, if your child does not normally have a school meal and would like a Christmas dinner, please let us know as soon as possible!



Tuesday 17th December – Year 4 making Christingles with Rev'd Emma Speak (St Andrew's Church) and Year 5 & Year 6 visiting The Heath School to watch DISCO INFERNO.

Tuesday 17th December - PTA Christmas Craft Night. This will be a festive evening, starting immediately after the children finish school at 3:10pm, where you and your child/children can make a 'Christmas Eve bag' together. There will be a cost of £2.50 per child to take part in this event – and this will include a drink and snack for the children; as well as all of the resources you need to create your Christmas Eve bag.

Places must be booked at the school office to take part.

Wednesday 18th December - Infant Nativity – Performances will take place at 9.30am and 1.45pm. *Tickets must be shown to gain admission.*

Thursday 19th December - Christmas Carol Service at St Andrew's Church (starting at 9:30am).



Friday 20th December - School closes 1.40pm. We will also be rewarding our children for their excellent, committed and outstanding behaviour, by running our **Golden Activities** during the morning. **ALL CHILDREN MUST BE COLLECTED BY AN ADULT – UNLESS WRITTEN CONSENT IS GIVEN TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASS TEACHER (FOR PUPILS IN YEAR 5 & YEAR 6 ONLY).**

OUR SCHOOL WILL REOPEN ON MONDAY 6TH JANUARY – AT 8:45AM



Parent Governor

A vacancy has arisen for a parent governor on our Governing Board.

The Governing Board is asking you to nominate a parent or carer of a child at the school. If it receives more than one nomination, then a ballot will be held.

The Governing Board, with the Headteacher, has overall responsibility for the running of the school. Governing Boards have three core strategic functions:

1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
2. Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils; and
3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

Governors need not be experts in education but they do need to:

- have an interest in the school and in the welfare of our children; and
- the time and willingness to get involved.

The skills you have can be very useful to the Governing Board.

Our Governing Board expects governors to attend three termly meetings and sit on both of our committees ('Resources' and 'Curriculum & Standards') so they have a full overview of the school. These meetings usually take place at 5:00pm. In addition, all governors are given at least one area of responsibility and are encouraged to make at least one visit to the school - as a Governor – and invest time getting to know the staff and how the school is run.

In return, our Governing Board commits to provide you with:

1. a structured induction;
2. provide access to quality training; and
3. provide you with an experienced governor as a mentor.

Our Governing Body currently consists of:

- Anne Simmons (Chair of Governors)
- David Jones (Vice Chair of Governors)
- Anthony Hilldrup (Headteacher)
- Mark Dennett (LA Governor)
- Kathryn Moss (Staff Governor)
- Lyndsey Wilkinson (Parent Governor)
- Gavin McBride (Co-opted Governor)
- Linda Redhead (Co-opted Governor)
- VACANCY (Parent Governor)
- VACANCY (Co-opted Governor)

If you would like to find out more about how you can contribute to the governance at our school please contact Mr Hilldrup (Headteacher).

If you would like to make a nomination for parent governor - please complete and return the attached nomination form.

Parent Governor Nomination Form

Please enter IN BLOCK LETTERS the name and address of the person being nominated for election:

Name:

Address:

Signature of person nominated:

Signature of proposer (if different to nominee):

Name and address in BLOCK letters of proposer (if different to nominee):

Please include a Personal Statement (maximum 250 words) which will be used, should the school receive more than one nomination, to inform other parents and carers of the reasons why you would like to become a parent governor at Halton Lodge and what skills you

would bring to the role.

I wish to submit my nomination for the election of parent governor.

I confirm that I am willing to stand as a candidate for election as a parent governor and that I am not disqualified from holding office for any of the reasons set out in the School Governance Regulations.

Signed.....

Print name.....

Dated.....

Completed nomination forms must be returned to the school by 10:30am on Wednesday 18th December.

Personal Statement:

