Haseltine Newsletter 28th November 2025

Dear Families & Friends,

The term is flying by – the Christmas trees will be going up next week and we just have 3 weeks left before we break up. We have lots of events happening over those 3 weeks so please make sure that you look at the dates below. I have also added 2 more events: a violin concert & the ukulele & guitars (for some children) concert.

At Haseltine, we like to celebrate everyone's religions over the year and we like to learn about what everyone believes and how they like to celebrate. There will be a lot of 'Christmassy" things happening over the next few weeks and we hope that everyone can feel that they are a part of the festivities. If, however, you feel that your child cannot be a part of anything, then please come & talk to me first, or drop me an email.

I also wanted to let you know that we are going to raise money for Unicef's Hurricane Melissa appeal to support the families in Jamaica who have been displaced because of the hurricane. We will be collecting donations at all of our performances over the next few weeks, so please bring some coins along with you. Thank you so much.

A message from our lovely PTFA:

The PTFA are looking for people who are interested in developing their skills in the following roles:

Treasurer/ Co Treasurer

- ✅ Organised – Keeps track of money and paperwork carefully
- ✅ Good with numbers – Comfortable adding up income and expenses
- ✅ Honest and trustworthy – Can be relied on to handle money properly
- ✅ Clear communicator – Can explain finances in a simple way
- ✅ Pays attention to detail – Notices small errors or changes
- ✅ Keeps things up to date – Makes sure records are current
- ✅ Team player – Works closely with other PTA members
- ✅ Confidential – Keeps personal or financial info private

Chair/ Co-Chair

- ✅ Friendly and approachable – Easy to talk to and welcoming
- ✅ Organised and reliable – Can help plan events and keep things on track
- ✅ Confident leader – Comfortable speaking at meetings or in front of a group
- ✅ Good listener – Values everyone's ideas and feedback
- ✅ Creative – Thinks of new ideas for fundraising and events
- ✅ Flexible and calm – Can handle changes or problems without getting stressed
- ✅ Supportive – Helps others feel included and involved
- ✅ Works well with others – Shares responsibility and communicates clearly

If you are interested, please message Gina at haseltineptfa@gmail.com

Two messages from Sydenham Library…

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Studybugs

We use a program here called **Studybugs** to support us with attendance, and we are asking parents to sign up for this too. That way, you can also track attendance for your child and you can also use it to **inform us if your child is absent.** Please follow this link to find out more about this FREE app, and to register…

https://studybugs.com/about/parents

It's really simple to register, and really simple to use – just ask the 20% of our parents who are using it so far!

Attendance over the last week…

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Who has won the Attendance Trophy this week?

17th -24th November

KS1

	Class	Attendance
1st	1M	97.49%
2nd	1N	94.67%
3rd	2B	93.27%

KS2

	Class	Attendance
1st	3M	98.81%
2nd	6M	97.58%
3rd	4Ba	96.75%

Uh oh!! We have slipped a bit this week ⊗

We currently have 113 children who have 100% attendance – a huge well done to you guys!

A reminder of Christmas Dates + 2 more:

Wednesday 3rd December: **Violin Concert** at 11am – parents of children who play the violin welcome to come & watch

Thursday 4th December: Ukulele (all of year 3) & Joff's guitars (please check with your child as only 6 children have practised enough at home, and so can perform!) concert

Friday 5th December: Children in KS1 & EYFS are having a special theatre show in school – funded by the PTFA.

The Haseltine Christmas Fair: after school on Friday 5th December until 5.30pm.

Tuesday 9th December: Children in KS2 are having a special theatre show in school – funded by the PTFA.

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Christmas Jumper Day: children can wear their most flashy, glitzy, sparkly Christmas jumper or Wintery/Party clothes and pay at least £1 for Save the Children on Thursday 11th December. Please don't feel that you have to go out & buy a jumper especially.

EYFS Christmas performance: Thursday 11th December at 2pm (details to follow)

EYFS Christmas performance: Friday 12th December at 9.30am (details to follow)

Winter Market: after school on Friday 12th December

KS1 Christmas performance: Tuesday 16th December at 2pm (details to follow)

Children's Christmas Dinner: Wednesday 17th December (details to follow)

KS2 singing performance in the playground after school at 3.10pm on Wednesday 17th December

KS1 Christmas performance: Thursday 18th December at 9.30am (details to follow)

We break up for the Christmas Holidays on Friday 19th December – usual time.

Tickets for the EYFS & KS1 shows will be available nearer the time, letters will come out on Monday. We will let you know when you can order these & collect from the office – not yet! There will be enough space for 2-3 members of your family (maybe more for EYFS). You will not need tickets for the KS2 performance.

And finally…

… The deadline to apply for a primary school place for September 2026 is coming up on the 15th January. If you know any parents/carers who are looking for a reception place for then, please do recommend us. I still have some tours left before then, every Tuesday morning, so anyone is more than welcome to come along to one of those to see more. Please also recommend others to come to our Christmas Fair on the 5th & the Winter Market on the 12th, so that people can see the wonderful Haseltine Community in action ☺

Have a very lovely weekend everyone,
Sara Anderman