



**HAMPSTEAD PAROCHIAL**  
Church of England Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

SCHOOL VISION : EDUCATING FOR LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS

17th December 2021

Dear Parents,

What a brilliant first term we have had! The children have enjoyed taking part in a variety of sports events, including the cross country. We've enjoyed visitors and trips once more and it has been lovely to welcome parents back into school for class assemblies.

The PTA have done an incredible job of organising lots of fundraising events. Thank you for all the kind donations for our Christmas Fair and Christmas Jumper Day. The fundraising total currently stands at £7,380.95. Please scroll down to find a message from our fabulous PTA.

Yesterday, each class visited St John-at Hampstead Church where a short service was led by Father Jeremy. The children considered the true meaning of Christmas and loved singing some well-known Christmas carols.

I would like to thank all of you for your response to the rise in Covid cases nationally. Thank you for keeping your children off who have had symptoms, getting tested and keeping us informed. It is because of your diligence we have been able to keep all staff in school and continue with, not only the normal running of the school, but also the Christmas celebrations.

After we break up we will continue to inform families of any close contacts who test positive at the start of the holiday. If your child has a positive Covid test before Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December please email:

[l.hall@hampsteadprim.camden.sch.uk](mailto:l.hall@hampsteadprim.camden.sch.uk) . We will then contact any close contacts.

Following guidance from Public Health, Camden is asking that all Primary School children take 2 home LFD tests 3-5 days part before returning to school in January. This has been an effective measure in secondary schools in reducing the spread of Covid.

On behalf of all the staff at HPS, I would like to say a huge thank you for the lovely cards and gifts. The staff have worked extremely hard throughout this term and greatly appreciate your kind words of support and encouragement. We are all extremely thankful for the hard work, determination and resilience the children at HPS demonstrate each and every day.

We look forward to warmly welcoming the children back at school on **Wednesday 5th January**, refreshed and ready for the New Year.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas!

Mrs Laura Hall  
Executive Headteacher



## Christian Value: Friendship

**Bible Verse: Love each other like brothers and sisters.  
Give each other more honour than you want for yourselves. Romans 12:10**



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Dear HPS Community,

Thank you for supporting the HPS PTA this term.

We were happy to finally be able to return holding some in-person events after a long hiatus. We were pleased to welcome so many of you to the PTA Quiz Night in November which was a fantastic evening with lots of fun, laughter and a few drinks. It was wonderful to see so many familiar faces (including a past-PTA team) but also to welcome new parents who were joining us for the first time. I hope you all enjoyed it as much as I did.

The Christmas Fair was absolutely fantastic, and we were pleased that so many of you were able to attend. I want to thank everyone who helped us organise and run the event. Many of you helped with a myriad of tasks from sorting out prizes, baking cakes, setting up games to running stalls, cooking the BBQ and organising donations. I would like to thank you for the time you spent helping us, all donations you have made and for the super-positive energy and enthusiasm that has helped us keep going and make it happen! Thank you as well to those who participated in Silent Auction both by buying and donating / organising prizes.

Finally, Eldridges seemed to be as popular this year as ever! I know many of you helped wrap the gifts and some of you volunteered to be the elf on the day.

I think overall this term was very successful given the constraints and I am proud to be part of this wonderful community and to welcome so many new members. I think we have managed to reactivate the great HPS community spirit which considering all lock-downs and that the school gates closed to parents for much of the past year was a challenging task. Part of our mission is fundraising and we raised this term a total of £7,380.95 (before matched funding) - all of which will support school and our children. This year one of our goals is to raise funds for a new equipment for the IT room, which is shared by all the children at school.

Finally, I want to thank Evita, Aby and Dino from the PTA team who put countless hours this term into PTA projects. Without your super organisation skills, endless enthusiasm and energy we wouldn't have been able to achieve all that we have.

I want to wish you all Happy Holidays, and see you in January 2022!

Best wishes,  
Zofia  
PTA Chair

## Dates for your Diary

Yr 2 Prime VR Workshop

Friday 7th January

Yr 3 Prime VR Workshop

Friday 7th January

Yr 6 Prime VR Workshop

Friday 7th January



## Year 3 - School Trip

### Museum of London

To finish our 'Sticks, Stones and Bones' unit, we went to the Museum of London where we were lucky enough to have the entire 'London before London' exhibition to ourselves. This was followed by an incredible puppet show retelling through the pre-historic time period using artefacts from the museum. It was a brilliant day!

