



The Thursday Green 'Un

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Hallam FM – Mission Christmas WCM are supporting Hallam FM's Mission Christmas; we will be a drop-off point for gifts from the community. Here is the information from their appeal:



In 2016 with your amazing support we raised over £1.2 million in gifts and cash and made Christmas special for over 24,300 local children, and we want to do even more this year.

We're asking you to buy an extra present that we can give to a disadvantaged local child to make their Christmas morning special. We need new and unwrapped gifts suitable for children and young people aged 0-18 years, and you can donate at our drop off points across the region.

Learning Across School

The **F1s** have been role-playing and dressing up as astronauts, going into the rocket and blasting off into space. They continued with their play in the black tray, making up their own story with the small world space toys. They also looked through books discovering different planets and used their imaginations to create their own aliens.

We were out and about again in **F2**, this time to the cinema to see Cars 3. This was a free visit and we just can't say no to going out together to spend time in our lovely town centre. The children as usual behaved amazingly well and were a credit to you all.

Last week in **Y1** we had two visitors from Space. Noogu and Doogu came from the planet Zed after their space rocket went off track.

The children are looking after them, helping them to do their learning and sharing their toys. We think they will be very happy at WCM!

Last week was anti bullying week. The theme was 'all different all equal'. As part of this, **Y3** decided to look at the similarities and differences between ourselves. First we played a game where we had to swap places with someone who had something the same as us e.g. if they had a sister and we had to ask each other questions about them. Then we got into pairs and wrote about even though we are all different we have things that are the same too.

In **Y5**, we are currently learning our multiplication and division Year Five objectives. This week, we are using a number of hands-on and more interactive activities involving multiplication. This links nicely into our class pledges involving passing our times tables and Taekwondo tests.

This term in **Y6** Maths, we have looked (mainly) at fractions – included in this are percentages and decimal (and especially their equivalents) – the children have worked really well in this area but some still need to learn some 'facts' to consolidate this work. On page 116 of their journals is a table showing equivalents. If you could encourage your child to learn these (if they don't already know them), it will help them in the long-term; especially with their arithmetic test.

Christmas Fayre

As the month of festivities is only 7 days away, Liz Graham is busy planning the 2017 WCM Christmas Fayre. It will take place on **Tuesday 5th December** from 2.00pm in the

hall. You will be receiving a letter about this shortly. Please save any nearly new toys for our toy stall and if you can help on the day call in to see Liz, she will be very grateful.

Santa is coming to WCM again, he dropped us a note from the North Pole to say he will come to the Fayre, tickets are on sale in the office and it costs £2.00 to see him.

Nativity preparation is just beginning; the children have started learning all the songs and will very soon be in the hall practising. Tickets for Nativity will be on sale from **Monday 27th November** and are initially restricted to 2 per child. From **Monday 4th December** any remaining tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis.

WCM Calendars

Again this year we will be selling our very own WCM calendars. The children have been busy designing and every year group has had an input. Call in to the office to order your copy. They cost £3.00 each or 2 for £5.00.

WCM Office

We are very aware that it is very busy at and around the office in the morning. In order to help reduce waiting times, we are going to split the services. Ticket sales for Santa and Nativity will be around the lift area. There will be a member of the team dealing specifically with late arrivals and all other services will be available from the main desk as usual. We hope this makes things easier for everyone and welcome any feedback you may have.

Arriving and Collecting at WCM

Can we please remind you that you must take your child in to class through the outside door to their classroom unless you arrive after 8.55am. This will ensure that we keep traffic on corridors to a minimum and also that children get their correct marks in the register.

If you are late a member of the office team will guide you through signing your child in on the computer in Reception.

The same applies to collecting at the end of the day. If you arrive early and don't want to

be out in the yard then call into the café for a cuppa!

Time For School

If your child was born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014 you need to apply for their school place. You can apply online at

www.sheffield.gov.uk/pupiladmissions

The closing date for applying is **15th January 2018**. You can contact admissions on 0114 2735766. Please ensure you put 3 school preferences down to ensure that if you don't get your first choice you have thought about where you want your child to go.

We must remind you that attendance at WCM Nursery does not guarantee you a place in school. School places are allocated by the Local Authority based on distance from school. If you need any support with your application or have any questions please call in to see a member of our Nursery team or Mrs Bradley.

Children In Need



A big thank you for all your support last Friday for Children In Need. Altogether we raised an amazing £864.13. This was made up of:

Raffle £29.30

From classes £169.23

Sales £665.60

Thank you as ever for your generosity.

Breakfast Club

Can we please remind you that Breakfast Club does not start until 8.00am and children cannot be left unattended until that time.

Attendance

The best classes last week for attendance were:

First: Y4NW & Y5GE – 100%

Second: Y1MM – 98.3%

Third: Y2HM & Y3NH – 98.1%

Overall our attendance last week was

96.1%, which is fantastic- we aim to keep improving as we head towards Christmas!

