



## WHITEHILL NEWS

### SUPERB MINSTER CAROL SERVICE.

Friday 7th January 2011.



On the Monday of last term we held a whole school Carol Service at the Minster Church of St John the Baptist, Halifax. The service was attended by the Mayor, Councillor Mr Watson and the Mayoress, Mrs Watson. The service provided the whole school community with a fantastic end to the term and start to Christmas. The children were superb and

their behaviour was exemplary. I would like to say a special thank you to Mr Sayles, Mrs Filby, Miss Woodhead and Mr Armitage for their outstanding contribution to the event. Also I would like to say a huge thank you to Rev Hilary Barber and Mrs Farr who supported the service and allowed us to celebrate the start to Christmas in such a wonderful setting. Your feedback was amazing—thank you for your participation. What a fantastic School Community.

#### RECEPTION NATIVITY WONDERFUL.

During the course of the last week of last term the Reception children and staff put on their wonderful Nativity performance. The children were fantastic and provided two excellent performances. Thank you to Miss Roche, Miss Kemp and the Reception team for coaching the children so well.



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#### REMINDERS.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME TO ATTEND OUR REWARDS ASSEMBLY ON FRIDAYS - THE CHILDREN AND STAFF WOULD REALLY ENJOY YOUR COMPANY AND SUPPORT - PLUS THE FACT WE ALWAYS HAVE A LAUGH !

#### Web Site

[www.whitehillcalderdale.org.uk](http://www.whitehillcalderdale.org.uk)

REWARDS ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 14th January : KS1 10.00 A.M.

KS2 9.00 A.M.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Thursday 10th February—Valentines Disco.

Friday 18th February—School Closes for half term.

### CHILDREN'S WEEKLY REWARDS.

STAR OF THE WEEK— McCaulie Collins, Django Barrett, Gerard McGlone, Jessica Pitt, Robert Greenwood, Molly Atkinson, Esmae Burbury, Ellie Brown, Katie Dawson, Maisie Smith, Brooklyn Saville, Katie Freeman, Zoe Heaton, Mason Giggall, Adam Riding, Sophie Clarke.

HELPFUL AND WELL MANNERED — Gemma Hanson, Rose Baldwin, Emily Reast, Lily-Mai Divers, Jordan Craig, Abigail Page, Charlotte Muirhead, Megan Boyle, Sophie Craven, Lily Doak, Kian Elstub, Georgina Kaye, Bethany Kenny, Aiden Sparkes, Nicole Hutchinson.

WRITER OF THE WEEK— Bobby Prince, Krish Nair, Jake O'Halloran, Kiki Barrett, Shoney-Lea Fusco, Charlotte Hume, Harry Richardson, Adam Langley, Ben Grundy, Taylor Forrester, Olivia Palethorpe, Abbie Wood, Brook Sutherland, Rose Sutherland, Rose Zhemu, Deanna Lister.

MATHEMATICIAN OF THE WEEK— Codie Riley, Macy Jagger, Laila Smith, Callum Ryder, Lola Hill, Darcie Walker, Paige Craven, Katie Dawson, Caitlin Banks, Kian Tyers, Carl Rushworth, Hannah Taylor, Kian Sunderland, Shannon Riley.

ICT— Eleanor Hatton, Trent Hanson-Truong, Ebony Hemmings, Django Barrett, Oakley Allen, Lucy Collins.

PUPIL CHOICE— Sharni Webster, Eady Carter, Maisy Birchall, Oliver Greenwood, Jed Patrick, Rowan Bradley, Adam Riding, Oliver Gerard.

TIDIEST CLASSES- KS1—Class 4 KS2—Class 10.

TIDIEST CLOAKROOM—KS1— Year Reception KS2- Year 3.



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## ATTENDANCE UPDATE—IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Attendance is very dear to our hearts and we all play an important part with this one. We have a set a whole school target of 96%. At the moment our whole school attendance figure is down and below target at 95.4%. The average Key Stage 1 attendance is 95.7% and the average Key Stage 2 attendance is 95.1% - come on Key Stage 2 ! The highest attending class in KS1 is still Class 6 with 97.8% and in KS2 was Class 12 on 96.8%. We all need to work on attendance as we are for the first time in 5 years below target. Come on folks we all need to work together on this one—lets get those percentages up !!

### CHRISTMAS FAYRE.

We have had an amazing time and business was brisk. Thank you to all children and parents for your support. The event raised an amazing £1800. Special thanks to Mr Armitage, Mrs Filby and Miss Ackroyd for their efforts in co-ordinating the event and to all parent helpers on the day. Best ever—what a team !!

### CAROLS AT CEDAR GRANGE.

Thank you to the Choir who performed at the Cedar Grange residential home on Tuesday. The children were a real credit to our school and received many compliments from staff and from senior citizens. Not a dry eye in the house !! Well done to Mr Armitage and Mrs Filby for organising the event.

### LEE MOUNT PUPPETS GO DOWN WELL.

The Lee Mount Puppet show came to Whitehill on Wednesday and performed for the KS2 children. The children had a super experience and really enjoyed the performance.

### UNIVERSITY OF HUDDERSFIELD STUDENTS WORK WITH YEAR 3 AND YEAR 4.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of the last week before we broke up for Christmas, children in Years 3 and 4 worked with University students. This involved the children having to lead an enterprise group, do research and solve problems. The children had a great time.

## AMBASSADORS WEEKLY SAY !!

The new School Ambassadors are now : Ben Wood, Jordan Greenwood, Lucy Hereford and Francesca D'Angiolo—congratulations—what a team !! This weeks useless fact : 'On average a Hedgehogs heart beats 300 times per minute'.



## IMPROVING STANDARDS IN SCHOOL.

- \* WE ARE AN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL.
- \* WE ARE AN INVESTOR IN PEOPLE SCHOOL.
- \* WE ARE AN INVESTOR IN PUPILS SCHOOL.
- \* WE ARE AN ACTIVEMARK GOLD SCHOOL.
- \* WHITEHILL IS AN ARTSMARK GOLD.
- \* WHITEHILL IS A HEALTHY SCHOOL.
- WHITEHILL HAS THE ICT/ NAACE MARK .

LAST TERM MR HOLGATE PRESENTED A GOLD AWARD FOR EXTENDED SCHOOLS. SCHOOLS. Thank you to Mrs Fairbank who manages this area of school life.

