



Newsletter 8

19th December 2025

Our newsletter will be shared every 2 weeks.
We want to celebrate some of the amazing achievements of our pupils.

School Rules

1. Be safe
2. Be kind and respectful
3. Be ready

School Values

Kindness

Courage

Loyalty

*Equipping
Children for a
World of
Possibilities*



Stars of the Week



Week beginning 08/12/25	Stars of the Week
Puffin	Reggie-Lee and Thomas
Redwing	Leo and Jovan
Raven	Kira and Harry M
Robin	Owen and Hazel SS
Starling	Liza and Logan
Swift	Reggie and Daisy-Mae
Buzzard	Jessica
Bullfinch	Arlo L and Luna
Kingfisher	Marcus and Adam
Kestrel	Leo and Isabella
Goldcrest	Himadri and Natalia
Greenfinch	Aksh and Ethan G

Week beginning 15/12/25	Stars of the Week
Puffin	Rubie and Jack
Redwing	Dawid and Jaxon
Raven	Brodie and Ramon
Robin	Tom and Saanvi
Starling	Isabelle and Misbah
Swift	Izzie and Charlie
Buzzard	Richard and Radiyah
Bullfinch	Bear and Lorayah
Kingfisher	Rebecca and Attila
Kestrel	Malakai and Denver
Goldcrest	Esme F and Ethan
Greenfinch	Evelyn and Sophie

Henry Hinde Update

It was a lovely assembly this morning as we came together to celebrate Mrs McGrath's retirement and her remarkable contribution to our school community. It was especially heartwarming to welcome so many former staff members who returned to honour her long and dedicated service. Over her 22 years and 6 months in the Infant School, she has supported thousands of children (and therefore hundreds of families), guiding them through their earliest steps in education with kindness, patience and joy. Known affectionately as our Queen of Christmas, she has brought sparkle, warmth and festive cheer to the school year after year. We will miss her dearly and wish her every happiness in her well-earned retirement.

We also send our warmest wishes to Miss Newman, whose maternity leave has now begun. We look forward to hearing the wonderful news of the baby's arrival in the new year and wish her a restful, healthy and joyful time ahead.

The school has been absolutely buzzing with Christmas energy—you could say we've all been elfstatic—thanks to the wonderful concerts and performances across both sites. Reception delighted us with their magical storytelling; KS1 filled the hall with dancing, singing and boundless enthusiasm; and Year 5 delivered a beautifully angelic performance, complete with handbells, harmonies and moments that moved many to tears. We are incredibly proud of the group of children who also shared their songs with residents at the local care home, spreading joy beyond our school community. Thank you to all parents, grandparents and loved ones for attending and supporting these events, and a huge thank you to our dedicated staff for the hours of preparation and care that made each performance so special.

We are also extremely grateful to our wonderful PTFA, who have helped bring Christmas to both Henry Hinde sites through a whole host of festive events. From the *5 Days of Advent* to sourcing our beautiful Christmas trees, and even arranging a special visit from the man in red himself—he certainly didn't *Claus* any delays! Their fundraising throughout the year has enabled Infant School children to enjoy the Macready Theatre's production of *The Gingerbread Man*, and supported the Junior School's viewing of M&M Productions panto of *Robin Hood*. We are truly thankful for their ongoing commitment and generosity.

A reminder that Monday 5th January is a Teacher Training Day on both sites. Term begins for all pupils on Tuesday 6th January.

Finally, thank you for the generous cards and gifts that have been shared with staff—they are deeply appreciated. We wish all our families a peaceful Christmas break filled with rest, joy and time spent with loved ones.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Grenville Site	Cornwallis Site	BOTH
Monday 22nd December to Friday 2nd January			CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS School closed
Monday 5th January 2026			INSET Day School Closed
Monday 12th January			Friends Meeting at The Bear 7.30pm
Tuesday 20th January	SEND Coffee & Chat 9.15am		



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TYPE OF WAC	TIMINGS
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Please visit

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/school-activities/>

and search your school to book **TODAY!**

OR

Contact our head office on 01953 499040

Please note booking remains open throughout the duration of the course. Any questions email inquiries@premier-education.com



SEND Coffee & Chat

Tuesday 20th January

9:15-10:15am



Warwickshire Parent Carer Voice (WPCV) is partnering with your school to improve school experiences for children with SEND.

We'd love to hear from you!

Can't make it to the Coffee & Chat, but want to know more?
PINS@warwickshireparentcarervoice.org

Henry Hinde Infant School
Grenville Close,
Bilton, Rugby
CV22 7JQ



Christmas Jumper Day

The children (and staff) looked amazing in their Christmas jumpers last Thursday and we have raised £162.00 for Save the Children.

Thank you.

Congratulations

To Alexander in Year 3 for getting a medal for excellent singing at his Voice and Drama Academy. Well done!

Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who generously donated to the Poppy Appeal, we raised £292.65 across both sites!



Join us at the BEC Centre
27 Main Street, Bilton. CV22 7NQ

Nativity Service

Sunday 14th December
@ 10.30am

Carols by Candlelight

with Bilton Silver Band
Sunday 21st December @ 6pm

Christingle Service

Christmas Eve @ 4pm

Christmas Celebration

Christmas Day @ 10.30am

Join us at the BEC Woodlands Centre

53 Cymbeline Way, Bilton, CV22 6JZ

Carol Singing

around the neighbourhood
Wednesday 17th December @ 6pm

Carol Service

Sunday 21st December
@ 3.30pm



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SATURDAY | 20 | DECEMBER

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1:30pm - 4:30pm

Cawston Community Hall
Scholars Drive, Rugby
CV22 7GU

Raffle

Tickets:

Child - £10 | Adult £7.50

To book your place, email
katherine.h@ncock.org



Christmas at St Mark's Church

Church Walk, Bilton

Sunday 30th November

6.00pm Advent Service: From Darkness to Light

Sunday 7th December

4.00pm All Age Christingle Service

Sunday 14th December

10.00am All Age Nativity Service

Sunday 21st December

6.00pm Nine Lessons and Carols

followed by mince pies and mulled wine

Christmas Eve

3.00pm All Age Crib Service

6.00pm Carols by Candlelight

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

10.00am All Age Celebration Communion



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Music of the Week at Henry Hinde

This Week's Theme:
Music That Makes Us Feel Happy

SONG 1 WALKING ON SUNSHINE -
KATRINA AND THE WAVES

SONG 2 BEST DAY OF MY LIFE -
AMERICAN AUTHORS

SONG 3 CAN'T STOP THE FEELING
- JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE

These are the questions we have discussed in school and in assemblies this week.

We would like to share these questions with you so that, at home, you can take some time to discuss with your children the music and the songs they have listened to.

- How does this music make you feel?
- What makes music sound happy?
- Can music change your mood?
- When would you listen to this music?
- Did everyone feel the same way?

Miss Stonell and Mrs Patel