

# **Newsletter 7**

5th December 2025

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

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# **Stars of the Week**



## **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

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Week beginning 24/11/25	Stars of the Week	
Puffin	Foteini and Harlan	
Redwing	George and Daksh	
Raven	Lowen and Reyansh	
Robin	Layla and Harry L	
Starling	Amelia and Callie George C and Aadhini	
Swift	Benjamin and Harley Effie and Jwala	
Buzzard	Matthew and Emily	
Bullfinch	Ava and Chetan	
Kingfisher	Tanatswa and Luca	
Kestrel	Hope and Connor G	
Goldcrest	Kebba and Amaiyah	
Greenfinch	Archie and Miguel	
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Week beginning 01/12/25	Stars of the Week	
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Week beginning 01/12/25 Puffin	Stars of the Week Chester and Kairo	
Week beginning 01/12/25  Puffin  Redwing	Stars of the Week Chester and Kairo Finley and Susanna	
Week beginning 01/12/25  Puffin  Redwing  Raven	Stars of the Week  Chester and Kairo  Finley and Susanna  Amina and Roman	
Week beginning 01/12/25 Puffin Redwing Raven Robin	Stars of the Week Chester and Kairo Finley and Susanna Amina and Roman Jake and Lilley-Anne	
Week beginning 01/12/25  Puffin  Redwing  Raven  Robin  Starling	Stars of the Week Chester and Kairo Finley and Susanna Amina and Roman Jake and Lilley-Anne Aanya and Lucas	
Week beginning 01/12/25  Puffin  Redwing  Raven  Robin  Starling  Swift	Stars of the Week  Chester and Kairo  Finley and Susanna  Amina and Roman  Jake and Lilley-Anne  Aanya and Lucas  Darshika and Emily	
Week beginning 01/12/25  Puffin  Redwing  Raven  Robin  Starling  Swift  Buzzard	Stars of the Week Chester and Kairo Finley and Susanna Amina and Roman Jake and Lilley-Anne Aanya and Lucas Darshika and Emily Elisha and Elise	
Week beginning 01/12/25 Puffin Redwing Raven Robin Starling Swift Buzzard Bullfinch	Stars of the Week Chester and Kairo Finley and Susanna Amina and Roman Jake and Lilley-Anne Aanya and Lucas Darshika and Emily Elisha and Elise Julia and Elena	
Week beginning 01/12/25  Puffin  Redwing  Raven  Robin  Starling  Swift  Buzzard  Bullfinch  Kingfisher	Stars of the Week Chester and Kairo Finley and Susanna Amina and Roman Jake and Lilley-Anne Aanya and Lucas Darshika and Emily Elisha and Elise Julia and Elena Damian and Erin	

## **Henry Hinde Update**

The Christmas spirit has truly arrived at Henry Hinde! Decorations are going up across the school, classroom doors are being transformed for our *Best Christmas Door* challenge, and Disco Dave – Santa's mischievous brother – has made his much-anticipated return to the Junior Site. The children all looked fabulous today in their non-uniform outfits, and we are so grateful for the wonderful chocolate donations for the Friends of Henry Hinde Christmas Experience taking place on the Grenville Site tomorrow – pop on down and join the fun!

A huge thank you to all the Friends "Elves," who are deep in their busy season hosting multiple events, creating Santa Packs, and organising the wonderful items featuring your children's artwork. Their dedication makes an enormous difference, and without their hard work we simply wouldn't be able to raise so many valuable funds for the school.

Our Reception children have been working incredibly hard rehearsing for their Nativity performance, practicing their lines and songs with great enthusiasm and joy. Keep an eye out for a sneak peek video on our socials soon—you won't want to miss it! Meanwhile, the corridors have been filled with the beautiful singing of our Year 1 and 2 pupils as they prepare for their upcoming Carol Concert. Their voices are truly bringing the festive spirit to life around the school!

This week, the Junior School was treated to fantastic performances from our Rock Steady bands, who showcased a brilliant range of musical numbers to children, staff, and their families. We are incredibly impressed by the pupils' dedication to learning an instrument, collaborating with their peers, and having the courage to perform in front of an audience. A huge well done to everyone involved!

We are also extremely proud of our Year 5 Dodgeball Team, who represented Henry Hinde at the County Finals. We await the final results, but regardless of the outcome they have made us proud by demonstrating all our school values and showing just how brilliant our pupils are.

A big thank you as well to Mr Batchelor for launching our new Upper Key Stage 2 Football Team. We have seen a wonderful range of talent, commitment and—importantly—a strong representation of our school values throughout the trials. These were key factors in the final team selection, giving Mr Batchelor a very tough job when deciding the squad for the first upcoming match. Well done to everyone who took part—more opportunities will be coming soon! Keep an eye out for the first team photo in our Henry Hinde kits.

As we head into the final two weeks of term, please take note of the following reminders:

- The next two weeks are extremely busy with performances, curriculum events and festive activities—please check the attached dates carefully.
- Ensure your child comes to school with suitable outdoor clothing and footwear for the weather.
- Please report all illnesses and absences via the Studybugs app.
- Any outstanding ParentMail balances must be cleared by 12pm on the 12th December.

Let's 'wrap' up the term in style with festive cheer—and unwrap the magic of the holiday season together!

# Dates for your Diary

Date	Grenville Site	Cornwallis Site	вотн
Saturday 6th December	Christmas Experience 11.00am to 2.00pm (the event has sold out - ticket holders only)		
Monday 8th December		Robin Hood Panto performed by Houlton School	
Wednesday 10th December		Year 5 Egyptian Day	
Thursday 11th December	Reception Family Friendly Nativity 9.15am		Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 12th December	Reception Nativity 9.15am	Year 5 Carol Concert 2.00pm	
Monday 15th to Friday 19th December		5 Days of Advent (after school)	
Tuesday 16th December	Year 1 & 2 Family Friendly Carol Concert 2.15pm		
Wednesday 17th December	Year 1 & 2 Carol Concert 9.15am		Christmas Lunch
Thursday 18th December	Trip to The Macready Theatre to see The Gingerbread Man		
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



### **Christmas Jumper Day**

Thursday 11th December is Christmas Jumper Day. The children can come to school wearing their Christmas Jumper and own clothes. Please donate a minimum of £1.00 on ParentMail to Save the Children in support of this worthy cause.

Do not worry if you do not have a Christmas Jumper as we have plenty of tinsel that we are happy to share with your child.

#### **Christmas Card School Delivery**

The school's Christmas post boxes are now open.

Children can use them to post Christmas cards to their friends in school. Please make sure the name of the child and the class is CLEARLY MARKED on the envelope.



If you or your child would like to give children in your child's class a Christmas card, but are unsure of all their names, please email either the Cornwallis or Grenville offices for a list or pop in for a paper copy.







# 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



















