



Dec 23/Jan 24 Fri 22nd Dec to Friday 5th Jan 2024—Christmas Holidays—school closed. Mon 8th Jan— INSET DAY School Closed Tues 9th Jan—Children return to school. Mon 15th Jan - Y6 Aviation Workshop Tues 16th Jan—Y2 Great Fire of London Workshop Tues 16th Jan —Y1 Phonics Workshop	Jan—Feb 23 Wed 17th Jan — Y1 Freshwater Theatre Workshop Tues 23rd Jan —Y6 trip to Croydon Gurdwara Tues 23rd Jan—Y3 RE workshop Thurs 1st Feb - Y1 RE Workshop 5th to 9th Feb —Safer Internet Week Wed 7th Feb — Y4 Easter Experience Trip	Feb 23 Thurs 8th Feb—PTFA Disco & Fun Night Fri 9th Feb — Last day of half term, normal finish time. 12th– 16th Feb—HALF TERM—SCHOOL CLOSED Mon 19th Feb—School re-opens all children return to school.
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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

What an incredibly busy term we have had! Our Christmas productions were a great success. Children from every class in the school had the opportunity to perform in front of their parents to mark this very special time of year. We hope you all enjoyed your child’s performance and recognise how much effort staff and children put into the performances to ensure the festive season gets off to a great start. Key Stage One and the Early Years classes performed in school, while Key Stage Two performed at St Elphege’s church. Each performance was a packed event with no seat left empty! Thank you staff and parents who helped make each performance a great success!



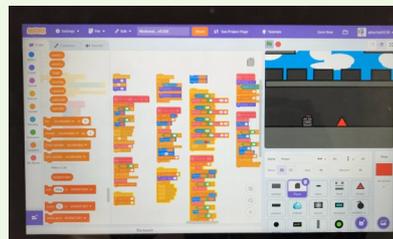
Christmas Jumper Day 2023

Every year we enjoy the fun of wearing our Christmas jumpers on Christmas Jumper Day! It’s a time where staff, parents and children are encouraged to donate to Save the Children. Christmas Jumper Day is Save the Children’s annual event which raises money for the children who need it most. Every December, millions of people across the United Kingdom (and beyond!) put on a festive knit at their workplace, school or with friends and make a donation to help give children the magical future they deserve. By dressing up and being silly we helped children facing serious issues like war, hunger and poverty.



High View Coders!

Some of our High View Heroes enjoyed designing and creating a game using Scratch, an online coding software. The boys had to create the sound effects, moving icons, add music and moving items as well as ensure the game was highly playable. Children were amazed when we shared their incredible achievement during our Awards Assembly.





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A Final Farewell to our High View Heroes!



You may have heard that Mr Dunne and Mr Lonsdale are leaving High View this term. We are grateful that Mr Dunne and Mr Lonsdale have been able to implement a range of sports at High View. Our sporting offer increased where children of all abilities and ages have had the opportunity to develop their agility, speed, balance and team playing skills through variety of sporting portals.

We wish both Mr Lonsdale and Mr Dunne all the best in their journey going forward.

Young Leaders –Year 6

Children in year 6 have just completed their Young Leaders Award! Each child is encouraged to develop their leadership skills to enable them to raise money or awareness about a particular cause. It was amazing to see the range of activities each group chose to organise. Children facilitated cake sales, taught PE lessons, conducted assemblies, visited care homes and even organised random acts of kindness! A great enrichment to our curriculum promoting our school values as well as helping our children understand the power of speaking up, being heard and creating change!



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News from the PTFA



Thank you to everyone for making the Winter Wonderland event a success! We are very grateful to the teachers, staff and parent volunteers who helped make Winter Wonderland special for the kids. We hope they had a great time!

Thank you to everyone who purchased a Christmas Raffle Ticket, the lucky first prize winner was The Grandparent of Jayden in Squirrels. Congratulations to all the other pupils, parents and staff who won the remaining 15 prizes. Thank you also to the numerous companies who supplied prize vouchers including Wallington Pizzeria, Presto, Kidspace, Pointers Dance Studio, J&T Motors, Glamour Bakes, Flip Out Croydon and Bocketts Farm.

We also want to thank everyone for supporting the hot chocolate and treat sales. With your help, we sold more than **500** drinks and treats. After Christmas we will be able to provide you with the grand total raised from our hot chocolate sales, Winter Wonderland and Christmas Raffle.

This half term we have funded:

First aid training for the children to be taken in the Spring term

Upcoming events to look forward to:

Valentine's disco in February

Easter Raffle

Summer Fair

Next term, the PTFA donation box will return to the office where you can donate any unwanted toys or Christmas clothing your kids don't need anymore (perfect for that after-Christmas clear-out!).

As always, thank you for your support and we wish you a wonderful Christmas break!



Christmas Trees—Thank you to Crossways Nursery for donating the tree on display outside the school and to Presto Performing Arts for the tree in the school hall. Both were beautiful.

Christmas Charity Collection—The Garwood Foundation



Thank you to all the parents who donated so generously to our Christmas Charity Collection. We raised a total of **£746.32** for our chosen charity—The Garwood Foundation.

The funds have been passed to them and they have sent us the following message.

"We are very grateful for the donation. It enables us to provide the much-needed care, education and excellent services that we deliver to families, children, young people and adults in need.

We wishing you all a peaceful Christmas and a happy new year".





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Times Tables Rock Stars Day KS2 and Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed our Rock Star Day. The aim of the day was to re-launch Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) and we certainly did that! During assembly, the children discussed the importance of times tables and were shown how to play the different zones within TTRS. A live times table battle was even organised between High View's quickest children, Mr Claxton and Mr Taylor! Well done to Avineesh (year 6), Sienna Campbell (year 6) and Isaac (year 4) for winning this exciting and nerve-racking battle. After showing off their rock star costumes and dancing to the likes of Guns N' Roses, Arctic Monkeys and Queen, the children went back to class and completed battles against their year group partner class. Thank you also to Mr Nandha (Ayaan & Tia's dad) who volunteered to come in and talk to the children about how maths is important in his job as Branch Manager at NatWest. Overall, the day was a huge success. Thank you to the pupils and staff for the wonderful rock star costumes and for your continued support with times tables. **Miss Beresford-Ward - Maths Leader and LKS2 Leader**



Year 5 Trip to Bough Beech On Friday 10th November, Year 5 went to visit Bough Beech Reservoir as part of our Geography learning. We got to see all the machines in the water treatment works that are used to make water clean for us to drink. We also saw many things like the dam, reservoir and pump house. During the day, we also took part in activities to encourage us to use water more carefully. The most fascinating part for me was that the machines turn dirty, murky water into clean water. **Report written by Kyle—Falcons.**



Anti Bullying Week—Odd Socks Day

Anti-bullying week was from Monday 13th November - Friday 17th November and this year's theme was 'Make some noise!'. Our celebrations started with Odd Socks Day. It was great to see everyone coming to school with their brightest and wackiest socks! This is always a lovely way to show our personalities and celebrate our differences. Each year group focussed on how we can speak up about bullying. Children's learning stretched from what is kind and unkind, who we can turn to both in and outside of school and who our trusted people are, to making megaphones to shout about bullying. Our older children also made chants and rhymes to make a noise about the difference between banter and bullying and what it means to consider feelings on both sides. We all thoroughly enjoyed the celebrations and hope everyone continues to make a noise about bullying!

Miss Fells—PSHE Lead

Early Years—Nursery Rhyme Dress Up Day

Early Years really enjoyed World Nursery Rhyme Week! To make it even more special we had a dress up day on Tuesday where the children sang their rhymes and shared their costumes. Thank you to all our wonderful parents and carers for the amazing outfits! Singing and learning nursery rhymes is such a pivotal skill to learn. They introduce children to the idea of storytelling, promote social skills and boost language development. They also lay the foundation for learning to read and spell. **Miss Kelly—EYFS Lead**



Children in Need Day

The children enjoyed participating in the BBC Children in Need day. Pupils were invited to come dress in something spotty. Our kitchen joined in the fun making Pudsey biscuits for school dinners.





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Year 6 Trip to Sutton Life Centre

On Friday 24th November, Year 6 had a visit to Sutton Life Centre. Sutton Life Centre is an educational experience to enable children to be more 'street smart' and to talk about the dangers and risks they may face in life. Year 6 learnt about topics such as transport, life-saving skills, healthy eating and keeping safe in the home. It was an enjoyable visit for the Year 6's, as well as being part of the preparation for them for high school. **Mrs Linehan—Woodpeckers**



Reception September 24 and Nursery September 24

**** Application Deadlines—15th January 2024 ****

Reminders for parents regarding Primary school and High View nursery application deadlines.

Primary School (Reception) September 2024— For children born between 1st Sep 2019 & 31st Aug 2020. The deadline for making your Primary school application (via your home local authority) is **15th January 2024**

Sutton Local Authority Admissions Team have produced guidance sheets for parents applying for Primary school places. Copies of these have been emailed to our parents in Nursery.

High View Nursery September 2024—July 2025— For children born between 1st Sep 2020 & 31st Mar 2022. The deadline for making your application for a place at High View Nursery is **15th January 2024**.

Applications for nurseries are made directly to each setting. To apply for High View Nursery there is a link to our online application form on our school website. This can be found on the Admissions page, under the Parents tab. Please note that as all nursery settings now manage their own admissions processes, deadlines for making applications may vary. If you are considering applying to more than one setting you are advised to enquire directly with each setting or visit their web pages for further details.

