



Newsletter
Friday 16th December 2016



Funky Pharaoh Friday

On Friday 9th December all our Year 3 pupils welcomed their family in to school to celebrate their work on the topic of Ancient Egypt.

The children have really enjoyed their topic and had lots to share. There were some amazing small group performances; dancing, singing and even some food. The children created some Ancient Egyptian dips to go with pitta bread that went down a treat after the energetic Ancient Egyptian workout.

Young Archaeologists

Our Year 5 pupils were visited by a local archaeologist, Linda Beever, as part of their work around Stone Age to Iron Age Britain. She brought a variety of tools and artefacts for the children to examine. We were fascinated to discover that there is an Iron Age site at the top of Hassocks Lane, Honley. Linda runs a Young Archaeologists Club with some interesting activities planned for 2017, including woodland archaeology and a couple of digs. If you are interested here is the link; www.yac-uk.org/join-a-club



Nativity Performance – A very respectful comedy!

Thank you to everyone who came along to watch our nativity performance on Tuesday 13th December. This was a nativity with a difference as it included disgruntled kings, argumentative angels, a playful cat and mouse and an academic donkey! The actors were brilliant and well supported by the whole school singing our favourite carols. Many thanks to Mr Sunderland for his hard work with the actors and also to Mr Wood for leading the singing.

There was a collection after the service which was shared with St Mary's church and raised a total of £75 for school funds. Thank you.

Party Time and Christmas Dinner

All year groups had lots of fun at their parties with games, treats and nibbles.



Christmas Film Night

Our wonderful FOHJS team put on a great Christmas film night event on Thursday where everyone watched 'Elf' whilst wearing their fetching elf hats. Thank you to those who helped out and organised this really entertaining evening which raised a magnificent £360 to set up our new art workshop room in the lower barn.

Trinity Court Choir Performance

On Thursday our fabulous choir went with Mr Wood, across to the Trinity Court residents, to perform their repertoire of Christmas songs. They really brought lots of Christmas spirit to the senior citizens and everyone had a great time singing along. I think the favourites were 'Away in a Manger' and 'Rootin' Tootin' Santa' as this really made everyone smile and join in. The choir represented school beautifully and Mr Wood ensured everyone had a merry time.

FOHJS 50 Club

Congratulation to our 50 club winners; 1st (27), 2nd (45) and 3rd (15).

Diary

Date	Event / Activity
Friday 16 th December	School closes for Christmas
Wednesday 4 th January	School opens (Tuesday 3 rd INSET day)
Friday 17 th February	School closes for half term break
Monday 27 th February	School opens
Friday 7 th April	School closes for Easter break
Monday 24 th April	School opens for the summer term
W/B Monday 8 th May	SATs week for year 6 pupils

The staff and governors at Honley Junior School would like to thank you all for your support this year and wish you a very merry Christmas and happy New Year.

