



# Hartest Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Enclosed is your child's interim report for English and Maths with a comment from the class teacher. This report will enable you to see how your child is progressing in the core subjects. Also included is the attendance report for every child. In general our attendance figures are very good, but it may interest you to know that the Educational Welfare Officer monitors all children whose attendance falls below 90% and that we have to give them our attendance report every half term.

We are ending our term on a very festive week. We had a very special visitor call into assembly on Monday with a lovely gift for every child. Thanks to Ellie Elf and FoHS for helping to organise a visit from Father Christmas during his very busy schedule! The Theatre Royal hosted a workshop for our KS2 students on Wednesday afternoon in advance of our visit to the Dick Whittington Pantomime there tomorrow. Kestrels were very enthusiastic in their feedback to the workshop. Curtis and Bobby told me "The super hero freeze frames were fun", Lara enjoyed learning about the stock characters they will be seeing in the production tomorrow and Logan and Bobby summed it up by saying it was "Brilliant and exciting!" The theatre will be back to work with the children in the New Year building on the learning experience of the trip.



We had lots of children and staff in Christmas jumpers and other festive clothing today raising funds for St Nicholas Hospice. Overall this term we have already raised just over £374 for charity which is fantastic amount for a small school and something to be proud of. It is an important value for our children to be able to think about the needs of other less fortunate than ourselves, especially at this time of year. It highlights the strong community ethos that is so evident in our school.



Mrs Clapham and Mrs Rose-Belcher served up a delicious Christmas lunch for pre-school, students, staff and Governors today. We are very fortunate to have our own kitchen on site providing quality meals and catering to all dietary requirements and we extend our grateful thanks to all the hard work they put in.

I'm sure all the children are looking forward to the Pantomime visit. The performance starts at 1.30pm and we are being picked up from the theatre and coming straight back to school. Traffic allowing we hope to return around 4pm but please bear with us if we are slightly later.

We look forward to seeing you at our Christmas Service tomorrow morning at 9.15am in All Saints Church.

Wishing you all a restful and Happy Christmas.

Matthew Coombs  
Head Teacher

