



Friday 1st December, forthcoming events for the week commencing 4th December 2023

Monday	04.12.23	8.00-8.40am 3.15-4.30pm Extended 3.15-5.30pm	Breakfast Club Key Stage 2 Football Lunchtime Club - Mr Mawn Hang Out after school club
Tuesday	05.12.23	8.00-8.40am 3.15-4.30pm Extended 3.15-5.30pm	Breakfast Club Dinky Dance Club - Methodist Chapel Hang Out after school club
Wednesday	06.12.23	8.00-8.40am 3.15-4.30pm Extended 3.15-5.30 pm	Breakfast Club Hang Out after school club
Thursday	07.12.23	8.00-8.40am 3.15-4.30pm Extended 3.15-5.30pm	Breakfast Club Forest School - Hornton Sports Pavilion Hang Out after school club
Friday	08.12.23	8.00-8.40am 3.15-4.30pm Extended 3.15-5.30 pm	Breakfast Club Hang Out After School Club

6th December - PTA Toy collection (please bring clean unbroken toys to the main school door)

12th December - Nursery, EYFS and Oak Class Nativity Play 11.00 am and 2.00 pm.

14th December - Key Stage 2 Evening Carol Concert at 6.30 pm

20th December - End of term 12.00 pm finish



Christmas is coming to Hornton... On the 12th of December, the children from Peach Tree, EYFS and Oak Class will be performing '**Baarmy Bethlehem**'. The children are really enjoying learning the songs and the costumes will look super. The performances will take place at 11.00am and 2.00pm at the Pavillion.

For each performance, each family will be given two tickets (there is no cost). These will be handed out on Tuesday the 5th of December. If there are any spare tickets we will let you know on Friday the 8th of December.

On the 13th of December, Key Stage 2 will be performing a selection of festive songs and musical pieces. The **Christmas concert** will take place at 6.30pm at the Church. Please be aware that space is limited (3 guests per child).

Most clubs have finished for this term apart from Forest School Club and Dinky Dance Club (who will be performing for parents at 4.00 pm during the class). If you would like to run a club next term, please let me know - we have had requests for a netball and a chess club.

A Festive note from our PTA

Christmas Surprise! - Monday 18th December

We have planned a wonderful Christmas surprise for the children (more information will follow nearer the time), however if you would like to help please come along to a meeting on Tuesday the 5th of December at 7.00pm to join us in creating festive magic.

Christmas Party Morning - Wednesday 20th December

On the last day of term, children are invited to wear non-school uniform (or something festive!) to school. They will be watching a film in their classrooms with a party bag of treats and there may be some snow forecast too!

Our school is now looking festive and colourful thanks to all our wonderful family decorations. If you still need to add your decoration to the tree, please bring it in on Monday. This was such a success last year and now firmly forms part of the Hornton Primary School Christmas traditions! A big thank you to the Taylor family who have kindly donated our Christmas tree.



Year 3 and 4 charity Children's Clothes Sale - Once again, the children in Year 3 and 4 have demonstrated their thoughtful and caring nature and ran a super second hand clothes sale. Thank you for donating clothes and supporting this kind group of children.



Parking - As we all know, we have limited parking available in the immediate vicinity of the school. Even so, it is imperative that we continue to park with respect to the residents of Hornton and their right of way to their homes. There is ample parking available at the Pavilion, from where it is a short and pleasant walk to the school. A few extra minutes of walking can significantly reduce congestion and improve safety for children, parents, and residents near schools.

I really like it when children email me projects they have been working on. Here is an example of a poem from Year 5.

**Christmas trees and presents
Laughter everywhere, I can smell Christmas in the air.
Being with my family lots of smiles and hugs.
This is what Christmas is about and this is what I love.
By Dolly King**



**Please read with your child every day.
It can create magical memories by bonding
during the festive season.**

**We have a basket of Christmas books outside
Willow Classroom, please feel free to borrow
them to read at home.**

Taking the time to read together can help you both escape from the real world for a little while and unwind - getting stuck into an imaginary world isn't just for children! Doing this together creates a bond between you and your child, sharing an important part of their development and creating meaningful memories.

According to Waterstones, the most popular children's books this Christmas are:

The Christmasaurus Carol by T. Fletcher

Bluey: Christmas Eve with Verandah Santa

The Jolly Christmas Postman by A. and J. Ahlberg

There's a Bear in Your Book by T. Fletcher

The Miraculous Sweetmakers by N. Hastings

The Last Bear by H. Gold

The Ice Children by M. G. Leonard

Where Magic Grows by O. Q. Rauf

At the end of the school day, please be very conscious that the gate is open; we would not want any child to find himself or herself on the road without an adult.

Hornton Pavilion

Hornton Pavilion (Village Hall) is a warm welcoming venue ideal for Birthday Parties.

To view and discuss booking dates contact Isabelle Harris on 01295 670304.