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From Mrs D'Arcy

Time really is flying by and the children continue to SHINE on a daily basis! Thank you to the parent/carers who have kindly volunteered to listen to readers—it is very much appreciated and will make such a difference to our children! Please do continue to listen to your child/ren read at least 5 times per week! Reading really is the key to success so please do encourage your child/ren to read! We have completed the audit of the reading scheme and are very much looking forward to adding to it so that the books match the phonics that the children are learning.

Thank you you all of you for supporting children who are in need. All funds raised have been sent to the local charity **James Hopkins Trust**—a local children's respite care charity for **Gloucestershire's life limited and life** threatened young children. We raised £395 in total so thank you!

Our Y5 playground leaders are doing a wonderful job to organise and manage games on the playground. Tim from Kick off Stroud who is leading the initiative has said how very impressed he has been with the children's approach to developing their leadership skills! Well done to all involved so far! There will be a second round of children who will also have the opportunity to take part in this in the near future! For further information about 'Kick off Stroud' please follow this [link](#).

We are delighted that Miss Hosking has returned to school after recovering from COVID. We are learning more about it each and every day and the long term affects this can have on the body. Mr Gray also has been absent as a result of COVID. It is hoped that he will return on Monday. However please do help to keep our school and our community safe by wearing a mask when collecting and dropping off. Several local schools have needed to close year group bubbles as a result of staff shortage. This is something that I very much wish to avoid doing so please do support us with this.

A wonderful group of Y6 children have been very busy making bracelets, bookmarks and selling them, along with snap bands in an attempt to raise money for Cancer Research. They were inspired to do this following the sad news that a family member had died of cancer. So far the children have raised £94 so thank you so much with your support for this! The children really are an inspiration to us all!

We have so many jumpers, t shirts and coats in lost property that are all unnamed! Please do name everything as it is easier to return to the rightful owner! It also costs so much to replace such items! If your child/ren has lost any item of clothing, then please feel free to contact the school so that we can help to recover them!

As you are aware, we are switching uniform providers and moving to Batemans. We are currently in a transitional period of transferring from Monk House to Batemans. Once this has all been completed, I will let you know. Thank you for your support with this.

Our Y3, Y4 and Reception children are now starting to prepare for their Christmas production—Bethlehem has arrived in our hall! Sadly, we will have to record this and put the productions on the school website rather do a 'live' performance. However, we are getting so much better with the use of technology so I am sure you will get the full Christmas feeling when watching it! I know it isn't quite the same as seeing the children on stage, but again, we have to make sure that we keep everyone safe—especially during the festive period! All Christmas activities will go live on the 15th December!

Thank you to our fabulous PTA who met virtually this week! Although the current restrictions are making fund raising difficult, they are determined to work around this! Thank you to all who have sent in an item for the Christmas Hampers—they really will look wonderful! All tickets will be on sale from next week, once the hampers have been pulled together! We are very excited to announce that Santa will be in Hardwicke School on Tuesday 16th December!! Further information to follow!

Wishing you all a restful and peaceful weekend



Inspiring Children to Shine



RA Shine award	Myah T & Percy M	Olivia B & Leo W
RA Reader of the week	Naomi W	James S
RC Shine award	Aria W & Ava G	Elliott B & Ziyon Roan A
RC Reader of the week	Ziyon A	Paige S
1R Shine award	Barbara S & Lily C	Rodrigo S & Mason R S
1R Reader of the week	Pheobe M	Peaches S
1W Shine award	De'vai L & Lucas S	Woody P & Ivy R
1W Reader of the week	Ella W	Mia B
2S Shine award	Danaya P & Hollie J	Sophie W & Keira T
2S Reader of the week	Caiden L	Frankie S
2G Shine award	Jack T & Cody	Edward A & Freya G
2G Reader of the week	Ava-Rose G	Jude A
3C Shine award	Connie Hodges & Daniel Ellins	Nathaniel Kingston & Amari Golden
3C Reader of the week	Nathaniel Kingston	Millie Barnes
3H Shine award	Ella Evans & Quinton Smith	Zaiden Horsford & Hollie Ashmore
3H Reader of the week	Sebastian Le Page	Hendrix Bennett
4Wa Shine award	Lilah P & Coral H	Polly Green & Amelia Hookway
4Wa Reader of the week	Sophie R & Ella R	Markus Naglis
4Wr Shine award	Felix Harmon & Clemency Chan	Maisey Williams & Shay Sulley
4Wr Reader of the week	Zac Forsythe	Ava-Mae Astle
5H Shine award	Hope Rowles-Donnelly & Thomas Price	Aaliyah Cross & Anthony Kuchajewicz
5H Reader of the week	Coby Loveys	Romeo Foran
5P Shine award	Summer Rickard-Addis & Lilly Harper	Riley Griffiths & Lucas Sulley
5P Reader of the week	Zak Seymour	Finlay Hayward
5C Shine award	Koby Douglas & Addy Leach	Jacob-John Scrivens & Bethany Brearey
5C Reader of the week	Harry Roberts	Valerija Solovjova
6C Shine award	Georgina B & Luke B	Noah K & Evie B
6C Reader of the week	Taylor G	Lily K
6HJ Shine award	Harrison B & Neha K	Bella L & Olivier K
6HJ Reader of the week	Heidi W	Sophia H



Diary Dates 2021-22



December

15.12.21 Reception Nativity

15.12.21 Y3&Y4 Carol Service

17.12.21 Hot chocolate Friday (selected children with SLT)

17.12.21 Last day of term

January 2022

4th INSET day Teachers ONLY

5th Children return to school

In our Prayers

We keep in our thoughts and prayers all who are struggling with their health.



Are your children entitled to Free School Meals?

COVID has affected many families in different ways. If your financial situation has changed and you think you maybe entitled to Frees School Meals, then please follow the link.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

At Hardwicke we SHINE



HPSA!

For those that aren't aware, the HPSA are a group of volunteers that come together to support and raise money for our school. We are essentially a PTA and a registered charity.

The HPSA met on Wednesday 24th and discussed fundraising ideas. It was great to see some new faces join to contribute and share ideas. 2021 has been an extremely tough year for fundraising and a lot of the planned events have not launched due to the restrictions but we are hopeful that we can put our plans into action in 2022 and hold some great events for our children. Over the years, HPSA have held some successful events including the annual Christmas and Summer Fayres, school discos, 'Happy Circus' and Movie Nights to name a few. These events have helped to fund things in school for our children including IT equipment and iPads, play equipment, reward days, books and most recently, supporting the library in school.



Attendance!

Attendance to date: 95.4%

Attendance this week: 94.9%

BEST ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK:

56C(99.7%)