



# Himbleton Herald

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## Himbleton's Winter Wonderland

Winter arrived somewhat unexpectedly this week, with snow fall on both Tuesday and Wednesday turning the playground white and bringing out a colourful array of hats, scarves and gloves. Thank you to everyone who helped to clear the setting so that we could open safely, and to parents and carers who adapted their travel plans to ensure that children were in school on time. Everyone had fun in the snow in their forest school sessions, working with others to carefully construct snowmen and to create snow angels.



## Collective Worship

In our collective worship this week we explored the story of Esther, a Jewish orphan who was brave enough to be truthful about her religion, even though she knew that it would put her and her people in grave danger. Children then considered how telling the truth can be hard but is an important thing to do.



*God revealed his light and presence through Jesus. We try to live without lies and make the right choices, living as Jesus would have. "I am the way and the truth and the life." (John 14:6)*

Don't forget to book your Grotto tickets or volunteer to help through the link shared on Class Dojo. Ticket sales will close at midday on 27.11.24 to enable Santa to make sure he has enough treats for all of his visitors. We currently have no bookings for the 17.20 and 17.40 times so if this is still the case on Friday, these slots will be removed.

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE**  
NON-UNIFORM DAY  
THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

On this non-uniform day, we would be very grateful for any prize donations for the Christmas Fayre:

- Children's toys or games
- Bottles
- Chocolates

Scan for Grotto tickets

## Moments Matter, Attendance Counts

Our whole school attendance this week was 81% and our attendance to date is 95.7%. This week, KS1 had the highest attendance of 84%.





## Christmas is Coming!

With Christmas just around the corner, we are starting to plan festive activities for the last day of term to celebrate this exciting time of year. On 20<sup>th</sup> December, we will be holding a party day on and invite children to come to school in their party clothes, join in with festive activities and enjoy a fun activity kindly arranged and paid for by The Friends of Himbleton. We would also like to invite children to enjoy a special festive lunch provided by our caterers, Aspens, details of which are to the right. Booking is open now, but please be aware that there are no other options on this day, so if you do not wish your child to have this festive meal, your child will need to come to school with a packed lunch.

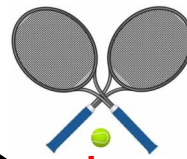


## Clubs

We are currently in the process of arranging after school clubs for the Spring Term and will provide further information about these in due course. In the meantime, could we please ask that any outstanding payments for this term's clubs are settled as soon as possible on School Money. Unfortunately, it will not be possible to book further clubs until these have been paid.



Christingle all age service with make your own Christingle messy church 01.12.24 @11am Himbleton Church. See you there!



## Tennis

Unfortunately, the weather was against us this week and we had to postpone our exciting tennis taster sessions with the LTA. We will let you know the rearranged date as soon as possible and thank you for your understanding.

## Dates for Your Diary



- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November - INSET Day (school closed to children)
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November - Non-uniform day (donations of children's toys, chocolate or bottles)
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November - Friends of Himbleton Christmas Fayre
- Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December - Christingle all-age service with make your own Christingle (11.00am, St Mary Magdalene Church, Himbleton)
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December - EYFS and KS1 Nativity (2.00pm & 6.00pm, St Mary Magdalene Church, Himbleton)
- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December - KS2 Christmas Service (2.00pm & 6.00pm, St Mary Magdalene Church, Himbleton)
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Grace Kelly and Save the Children
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December - UKS2 Film Night (5.30pm-7.30pm)
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December - Values' Service (9.30am, St Mary Magdalene Church, Himbleton)
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Party Day and last day of Autumn Term 2024
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January - INSET Day - school closed to children
- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January - First Day of Spring Term

## Wake up Wednesday

This week's Wake up Wednesday explored the topic of children's spending and saving. This has been shared with you on Class Dojo.

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators  
**EDUCATING CHILDREN ON SPENDING AND SAVING**



## Individual Photos

We hope you are pleased with your child's school photographs which have been sent home today. We are very much looking forward to our school photographer returning soon to take photographs for our new website!

