



HADDON DENE SCHOOL

57 Gladstone Road • Broadstairs • Kent • CT10 2HY

Friday 8th December

Dear Parents,

Festive Season

"There is nothing in the world so irresistibly contagious as laughter and good humour."
Charles Dickens (19th century British author.)

Throughout the festive season it is hoped that all Haddon Dene families are in good spirit, laughing together and creating happy memories. During the past week we have been creating our own memorable moments from the EYFS Nativity and Christmas Fair to Year 6 rapping while attending Christmas Unwrapped at QRBC!

EYFS Nativity

Our younger children performed the nativity to their family members this week. We were very impressed with the little Denes and Reception class actors and singers. Miss Hatch said she was very proud of all the children who took part. Please take a look at our Facebook page for more pictures that we have shared.

Please contact Mr Shaddick via email for copies of the Nativity. He will then send you the requested copy. Any problems please contact the office.



The star appeared above the stable where baby Jesus was born

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Christmas Unwrapped



Year 6 were welcomed to the Queens Road Baptist Church to enjoy fun activities which helped them reflect on the true meaning of Christmas.

It was an interesting afternoon and it helped to iron out some misconceptions about the story of the birth of Jesus. For example, did you know that the bible does not contain any evidence that Mary actually rode to Bethlehem on a donkey?



The children were also treated to a live performance of Reverend Rhodri's rap entitled 'Christmas Rapping'.

Later on during this busy afternoon they even found time to bake some mince pies. Thank you to Mr Kemp for helping us with this trip. We hope to return for 'Easter Cracked'.

Reindeer Happiness

Little Denes children have been making reindeer with chocolate smelling play dough. They loved this activity and felt that because of the yummy smell, they wanted to eat them!



Giggles and Floating Wiggles

This week Mrs Crompton allowed our children to have even more fun than usual in swimming.



Look at the smiles on their faces!

PFA Update



Dear Parents and Friends,

The next PFA meeting is on the 12th Jan, an EGM will also be held on that day. We hope that you had fun at the Christmas Fair.

Upcoming Events

Christmas Pantomime: **Tuesday, 12th December**

Thank you for your support,
The Friends of Haddon Dene

A huge thank you to the entire PTA for helping to organise such an incredible Christmas Fair!

Friday 8th December was the final Celebration Assembly of the term.

House Points Winners

<i>Haddon Dene House Point chart</i>		
<i>Week 10:</i>	<i>Manners</i>	<i>Vernon</i>
	<i>70</i>	<i>69</i>
<i>Running total:</i>	<i>755</i>	<i>763</i>

Christmas Carol Concert (Yr. 1-6)

Thank you to all parents/family members who joined us at Holy Trinity Church Broadstairs on Thursday. What a wonderful service it was. Please send any good photographs you have taken to secretary@haddondene.co.uk

Message from the Office

- **A reminder that all outstanding school fees must be paid by the end of this term.**
- Art club will have a final session on Monday 11th December 3.30-4.30
- Please visit and 'like' our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/haddondeneprepschool) for further pictures and videos.
- We will be announcing the outcomes of the Ofsted visit once we receive the final report, which we hope to have just before Christmas.

We leave you with this lovely quote below and hope that you can reflect on the meaning over the festive period.

“Christmas is the spirit of giving without a thought of getting. It is happiness because we see joy in people. It is forgetting self and finding time for others. It is discarding the meaningless and stressing the true values.” Thomas S. Monson (American religious leader and author)

This will be the final newsletter for this term so on behalf of all staff we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Don't forget we break up on Wednesday 13th December at noon. See you back at school on Thursday 4th January 2018.

Best wishes

Miss Alison Hatch
Headmistress

Forthcoming Dates:

9 th December	LAMDA EXAMS (Mrs Bourne)
11 th December	NO CLUBS THIS WEEK Talent Show
11 th December	Art club extra session
11 th December	Christmas Lunch – Christmas jumpers to be worn!
12 th December	Pantomime – Theatre Royal – 1.15pm. Parents to collect from school.
13 th December	End of Term 12pm
4th January	Term Begins
18 th January	Fire Safety Presentations for years 1-6
22 nd January	Mr. Rosengarten – ‘Re-Start a Heart’ for years LD-6
25 th January	Little Denes trip to Broadstairs Library
1 st February	National Offer Day – Emailed to Parents (year 6)
2 nd February	National Offer Day – Parents receive letters
3 rd February	Skiing Trip – year 6
9 th February	Prep Show at the Sarah Thorne Theatre – 2.30 pm
9th February	Last Day of Term
10 th February	Children return from skiing trip
19th February	Term Begins

MENU

Week Commencing 11.12.17

MONDAY – Christmas Lunch

**Roast Turkey, roast potatoes, carrots, brussel sprouts, chipolatas,
stuffing balls and cranberry sauce.**

Bread roll, salad bar

Ham, chicken, tuna, cheese

Ice cream, mince pies & satsumas / fresh fruit

TUESDAY

Sausages, hash browns and baked beans

Bread roll, salad bar

Ham, chicken, tuna, cheese

Chocolate whip / fresh fruit