



# Hindhayes Infant school

**Hindhayes Infant School  
Attendance  
Whole School 94.6%**

**Sycamore was the class  
with the highest 98.2%**

## ***Diary Dates:***

7/12 - Non Uniform Day/  
Chocolate Tombola/  
Christmas Disco/Market

14/12 Christmas Jumper  
Day

17/12 - Dress Rehearsal  
for Play

18/12 - Christmas Play

20/12 - Christmas Fayre

21/12 - Last day of Term

07/01/19 - First Day Back  
at school

25/02/19 - INSET day



## **At School This Week**

### **Trips to Bishop Palace**

The children in year 1 and 2 have had brilliant trips to Bishop Palace. They were all very well behaved and the teachers were very proud of the way that the children presented themselves whilst they were away from school.

Back in school this week the children have been using these first hand experiences to write from. They have also created some interesting pieces of art work around dragons and their memories of what they saw.

### **Open House**

We were delighted to welcome even more families to look around Hindhayes on Thursday morning. Parents are always delighted to see the opportunities that on offer to the children who come to our school. They were particularly impressed by the level of work that the children are able to achieve by the time they leave us, the behaviour of the pupils and the external facilities that we have installed more recently such as the library, the forest school area and the Reception outdoor classroom. We hope that all of the families make a choice for Hindhayes when they make their school application.

### **The Importance of Being Active**

All Teaching and Learning staff worked with an inspiring trainer this week to consider the importance of an active lifestyle for children and young people. As a staff we are already very clear on the benefits of being active and outside, this is why we have been so committed to developing the Forest School area over the last four years. This week we considered how we could adapt our teaching within the classroom to become more active when learning maths. Teachers were introduced to a range of strategies and games that they can use to get the children up off the carpet and away from their tables whilst still learning the maths curriculum.

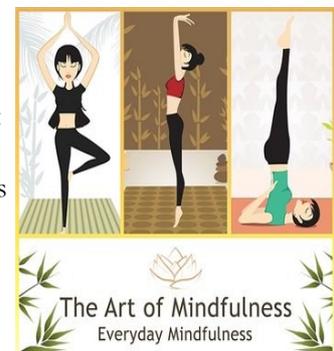
In the coming weeks we hope to be able to provide families with links so that you can also try some of these fun sessions at home. A recent childhood obesity study recommended that children have at least sixty minutes of activity (on top of the time that they would be involved in playtimes and PE) in a day. This would be thirty minutes at home and thirty minutes at school. That doesn't sound like a lot of time for us to find with our children both in school and once they are back at home. If you have access to the internet at home you might want to also look at a couple of free videos that are available through u-tube; Super Movers and Go Noodle provide fun and engaging clips for all the family to join in with.



## **At School Next Week**

### **Tai Chi with Mindfulness**

We are very excited to have a special visitor coming in to work with some of the children next week. We are going to have a taster session of Tai Chi with Mindfulness to see if it might be something that we would like to add into the children's timetables. Teachers are already using Mindfulness activities with their children across the week so this will enhance the great practice that we already have at Hindhayes.



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# Lets Celebrate



Congratulations once again to all those pupils who have achieved so well in their learning this week and have been chosen to receive certificates on Friday 30th November. Please note a change of time for celebration assemblies. Reception pupils will have their celebration assembly at 9.00am and Year 1 and 2 will continue to have their assembly at 2.30pm. We look forward to seeing the parents of the following pupils at these times:

**Work of the week:** Oakley Brock/ Roman Markey & Phoebe Harrison/Archie Chipperfield & Scarlett Downton-Lock/Mark Daymond & Jacob Reed/Charlie Hawkins & Amaia Valentin/Eva Hislop & Marlon Edwards/Stacey Chick & Archie Wall/Marlon Perez & Ben Rios Smith/Eilah Foley & Cara Morgan-Pppard/Felicity Mobbs

**Better Learning Powers:** Cameron Crawley/Lois Weech & Reuben Ferreira/Ada Payne & Shritej Patil/Leo Camombayenin & Gracie Fox/Laura Petherbridge & Maddie Benney/Joseph Tarr & Findley Brook/Reuben Moga & Jessica Jordon/Koby Davey & Mylo Miller/Leela Farmer & Ava Spencer/Zac Austwick

**Highest weekly attendance:** Sycamore was the class with the highest weekly attendance and as a reward for achieving the highest attendance, Bonnie, our school donkey will be going home with Tyler Wigley

## Messages from the Office

### Christmas Play

Look out for information regarding the Christmas play details of which is in your child's book today

### Money Raised

Thank you for all your kind contributions for Children in Need we can confirm the total raised was £238 Thank you for all your support

Carnival Money raised for the School from the sale of the flashing and sparkly items was £58 so Thank you again to all the Parents that purchased them

**Scarlett Fever/Sickness Bug:** A small number of pupils have been off school over the last couple of weeks with sickness bugs, colds and scarlet fever. If your child has sickness or diarrhea please remember to keep them at home for at least 48 hours and if you are concerned about ill health to take them to the GP. Can you also make sure that you phone in your child's absence each day. Thanks

**Bath and West Christmas Village:** There will be a Santa South West Christmas Village being held at the Bath and West showground. We have been given a 10% off discount code for this, kindly supplied by the organizers. The discount code is: SSW1810

## Messages from the Teachers

PEKits

Please can you ensure that all children have the appropriate cold weather PE clothes to go outside. If the children have long sleeved jumpers and track suit bottoms they will be able to join in with their sessions without getting cold.

### Future Events

Lucy Shakesby will be holding a Marking Make's Sense course for all Parents on Monday 3rd December @ 9 -9.30am & 2.30-3pm. Sign up sheet will be available in the Office. Please come along and find out how marking and feedback works at Hindhayes.

