



Hipswell Church of England

Primary School

Autumn 2 Newsletter

19th December 2025

Dear parents,

*It has been an incredibly busy but enjoyable term at Hipswell with lots of festive activities. We have some very tired children (and staff!) who are ready for the Christmas break. We look forward to seeing you all when school reopens to the children on **Tuesday 6th January 2026**. We wish you a very merry Christmas.*

Miss Ewbank

Christmas!



Our festive celebrations started on Wednesday 10th December with the Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity. It was a wonderful performance, thank you to all involved.

On Friday 12th December, the whole school participated in the National Santa Dash which was great fun despite the grey skies!



Our children thoroughly enjoyed the Christmas discos which were requested by our School Council. A huge thank you to Mr. Ilsley for being a superstar DJ and the staff for organising and facilitating.



Thank you to the families who supported our Christmas Fair and to our staff for their hard work putting it all together.

Christmas dinner was delicious, as always. It was followed by a special visit from Father Christmas who hand delivered gifts to each class.



On Thursday 18th December, the whole school visited St. John's Church, Hipswell, for a special Christmas service with Reverend Charlotte.



Forest School

Year 5 have enjoyed Forest School sessions this half term with Rachel Muir. They have created some wonderful festive creations and it has been the perfect weather for toasting marshmallows by the campfire! Next half term, Year 3 will participate in Forest School each Tuesday, therefore will need a change of warm, waterproof clothing from Tuesday 13th January.



Safeguarding

To view our safeguarding information and policies, please see our website page: <http://hipswell.n-yorks.sch.uk/about-us/safeguarding/>

If you have concerns about the safety of a child in school, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Leads: Miss Ewbank, Mrs. Regan and Mrs. Matheson.

If you have concerns about a child while school is closed, please visit the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership website which provides information on what action to take: <https://safeguardingchildren.co.uk/about-us/worried-about-a-child/>



Remembrance

On Sunday 9th November, four children represented Hipswell School at the Service of Remembrance at St. John's Church, Hipswell. They laid a wreath to show our respect for those who have lost their lives for their country. It was a moving service, as always.

Dates for your diary

Term dates are available on our website: <http://hipswell.n-yorks.sch.uk/term-dates/>

New Reception starters (September 2026) open day	09.01.26 at 13:30
Coffee mornings - all from 08:50 in the hall	28.01.26 18.03.26 08.05.26 17.06.26
Spring term parents' evenings	17.03.26 and 19.03.26 15:30 - 18:00
Year 3 and 4 Easter Production	25.03.26 14:00 and 17:00
Class photographs	25.03.26
Month of the Military Child - sausage sandwich breakfast	17.04.26 at 08:15
Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports' Day	24.06.26 at 13:30
Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Sports' Day	25.06.26 at 13:30
Years 5 and 6 End of Year Production	15.07.26 at 13:45