



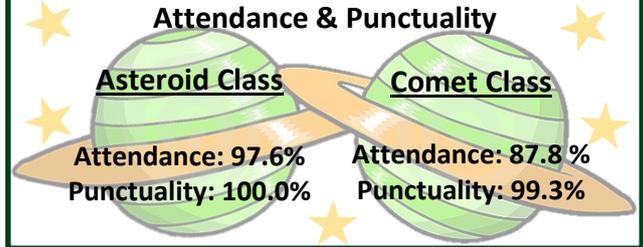
Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Halley House School, Children enjoyed a very busy art week last week, where they spent time exploring what 'Britishness' and British Values mean to them, as well as completing a fabulous collaborative art display of the Union Jack, using a whole range of different materials. Children will be showcasing more of their marvellous art work next Monday, 14th December, in the hall from 4pm to 5.30pm. Tea, coffee and nibbles will be available. Please do pop in and see what children have been creating in Art Club every week – we have some very proud artists (and rightly so!) keen to exhibit their talents!

We are also very much looking forward to a number of BPET schools coming together at Halley House for our Reception Christmas performance of 'Away in a Manger'. Deer Park and Kilburn Grange School children will be joining us for lunch and some festive games before the performance starts. There is also the possibility of a very special visitor after the performance has finished...

Please do note that school finishes early on the last day of term, at 2pm, and children return on the 5th January 2016.

Have a lovely week ahead!

Claire Syms



Diary Dates

Wednesday 9th December

- Local Governing Body Meeting

Friday 11th December

- DfE Adviser Visit

Monday 14th December

- Children's Art Exhibition, 4-5.30pm

Thursday 17th December

- 'Away in a Manger' Reception production, 2pm

Friday 18th December

- Christmas Jumper Day!
- Last day of term, school finishes at 2pm.**

Monday 4th January 2016

- INSET Day

Tuesday 5th January 2016

- Children back in school

FOHH

Please could all members of Friends of Halley House fill in their contact details on the list at the school office. FOHH Chairperson, Cheryle, would like to form a mailing list for group communication to make sure no-one misses out! All parents are automatically members of FOHH and your ongoing support is vital to the success of our school!

SUPER STARS!

Our Super Stars of The Week are:

Asteroid Class:

**Rosabel
Enya**

Comet Class:

**Jayden
Darcy**

Well done for working so hard and being such good role models!

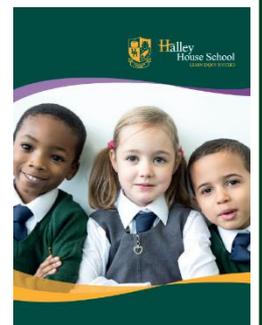
Prospective Parent Open Mornings, 9.30-10.30am

Tuesday 15th December, Tuesday 12th January

If any of our current parents would like to attend any of these mornings to informally talk to prospective families about your experiences and thoughts of Halley House School so far, please speak to Ms Lim.

Promoting the School

Thank you to all parents and volunteers who have already started to help distribute our new leaflets for Reception admissions next year. Our new prospectus is also on our website and we will be getting some hard copies into the office if you would like to pass any on; word of mouth is still one of the best forms of spreading the word, so many thanks for all your commitment!



Christmas Production

We are very excited about our upcoming nativity play 'Away in a Manger'! The children have started rehearsing the script and songs and are hard at work learning their lines. Early next week your child will take home a copy of their lines in the play. Please take every opportunity to help them practise at home and encourage them to use clear, loud voices when saying their lines! To help them with their cues, the line before and after theirs is also included in the scripts. Please do let class teachers know if you are able to help out with costumes, face painting or preparation support on Thursday 17th!



Christmas Jumper Day

The last day of term will also be Text Santa 'Christmas Jumper' day! Donate £1 to support Macmillan, Make a Wish and Save the Children charities. Children will be doing some activities in school to make their jumpers look even more festive; we encourage our families to get crafty in aid of the day, too – have a look at <http://www.itv.com/textsanta/news/christmas-jumper-inspiration> for some original ideas!



Christmas Lunch

Christmas Lunch will be on Friday 18th December (the last day of term). The Christmas Menu will be sent home this week for you to consider choices!

Farewell to Austin

Many of you have got to know Austin on our front desk really well over the last few months whilst he has been providing security services for the building. We bade a very fond farewell to Austin on Friday with cards, a thank you assembly and some reminders of all the people at Halley House School! Austin has jetted off on a very well-deserved holiday and by the time he returns, we expect to have had complete handover of the site. He has, however, promised to come back and visit!



Site Manager Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Site Manager at Halley House, to effectively manage site services and complete minor repairs and maintenance. We are looking for someone who is friendly, takes pride in their work and wants the school to look its best. This post is initially on an 'as and when required' basis with the expectation that hours will increase as the school grows.

Please contact office@halleyhouseschool.org.uk for more details and to request an information pack. Details are also available on the school website.

Deadline for applications: 12 noon, Monday 14th December 2015.

Interviews: Wednesday 16th December 2015

Outdoor Learning @ Hackney Downs

Comet and Asteroid Classes will be off to Hackney Downs again this week to undertake their 'Forest Schools' lessons. Please remember to ensure your child has the correct outdoor clothing, including school coat and wellies. Children had an absolutely brilliant experience last time and we are sure they are going to enjoy this week, too!

Roof Terrace playground

Since Friday last week, the design of the roof terrace has really started to take shape. We are expecting the rubber crumb to be finished later this week; upon completion children will be able to finally start enjoying their outside provision! Have a look at the following timeline in pictures to see the developments unfold!



Art Week



The Rule of Law



Individual Liberty



Mutual respect and tolerance

Democracy



We talked about what Fundamental British Values mean to us and why they are important

