

Sun Hill Junior School Newsletter



Issue 11

Friday 6th December 2024

"It came without ribbons, it came without tags. It came without packages, boxes, or bags." "Maybe Christmas (he thought) doesn't come from a store. Maybe Christmas perhaps means a little bit more."

—The Grinch



To All at Sun Hill Juniors,

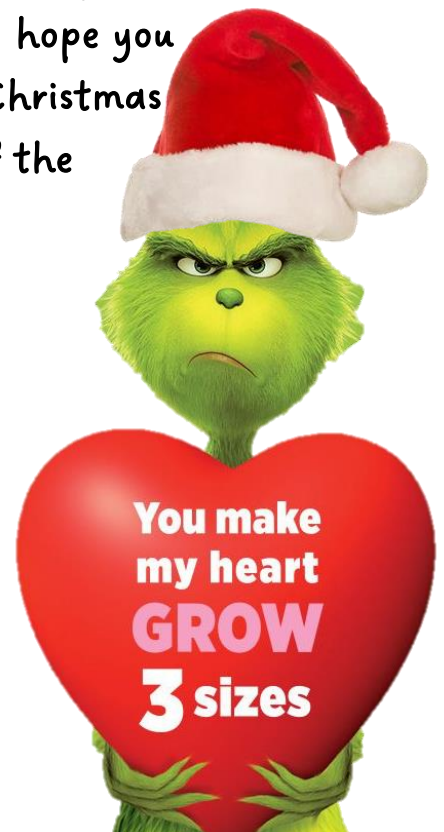
Christmas is best spent with those who make your heart feel at home. Thank you letting me join you in a wonderful day of embracing the Christmas Spirit. Happy Christmas! I hope you and your family have a very merry Christmas and enjoy the warmth and magic of the holiday season!

Until next year,

The Grinch



Please keep your eyes peeled for next week's issue which will be featuring all things Elf Day!!!





Making a Difference



Congratulations to all our stars for making a difference and therefore receiving head teachers awards this week!

	Juliette M (Robins), Alfie B-R (Swans), George H (Woodpeckers), Megan B (Woodpeckers)
	Olly H (Cranes)
	Jemima F (Robins)
	Penny S (Kingfishers), Marria H (Cranes), Maisie N (Swans), Ben L (Hérons)
	Robin C (Kingfishers), Jessie C (Hérons)

This week our school Make a Difference Star Mascots Simon & Puff Puff were awarded to:

Ben L (Hérons)



“Supporting our class during rehearsals with his fantastic musical talents”

Congratulations to all our stars for achieving their first 25 stars certificates for their “Making a Difference Awards” this week!



Austin N (Swans)



Rosie J (Cranes), Alice A (Woodpeckers),

Annabel S (Hérons), Oleksii H (Hérons), Evie D (Hérons), Sam M (Hérons)



Elena H (Woodpeckers)

Congratulations to all our stars for achieving their first 25 stars certificates for their "Making a Difference Awards" this week!



Archie S (Cranes)

The Bingo Wellbeing Award



Riley A (Swans)

"For always doing his best in maths"



School Attendance Award



98.89%

WINNERS!

Whole School
Attendance- 95.81%
(results taken from Friday
to Friday)

House of the Week!

Meon



CHRISTMAS

Wellbeing Advent Calendar

Celebrate the countdown to Christmas with our 5 ways to wellbeing. Complete your advent calendar, ticking the stars as you go, and return to school on Wednesday 8th January to win a prize. Prizes and house points will be awarded to students who complete 12, 18 or all 24 days.

1 DONATE A TOY FOR ANOTHER CHILD TO ENJOY

2 SIT OR PLAY WITH SOMEONE NEW AT LUNCHTIME

5 LEAVE A HAPPY NOTE FOR SOMEONE TO FIND

4 MAKE A CHRISTMAS DECORATION

3 LEARN HOW TO SAY "HAPPY CHRISTMAS" IN ANOTHER LANGUAGE

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NAME:

6 ENJOY THE SANTA FUN RUN!

7 PLAY A BOARD GAME WITH YOUR FAMILY

7 FEED THE BIRDS

9 DRAW YOUR FAMILY TREE

10 DANCE TO YOUR FAVOURITE CHRISTMAS SONGS

CLASS:

15 SCREEN FREE DAY!

MAKE AN OBSTACLE COURSE

15 DISCOVER A FACT ABOUT THE NORTH POLE

15 RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS!

11 SNUGGLE UP WITH A HOT CHOCOLATE

16 READ A CHRISTMAS STORY

17 ENJOY A FESTIVE SING-A-LONG

17 GIVE A CARD TO SOMEONE WHO HAS SUPPORTED YOU THIS YEAR

19 DRAW A PICTURE OF WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO YOU

19 TELL YOUR TEACHER A FESTIVE JOKE

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM ALL AT SUN HILL JUNIOR SCHOOL!

21 ENJOY A COZY CHRISTMAS EVE WITH YOUR LOVED ONES

25 WALK AROUND YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD TO SEE THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

22 WRITE DOWN ALL THE THINGS YOU ARE GRATEFUL FOR THIS YEAR

21 HELP AROUND THE HOUSE

SHJS School Notices

Support our School!

- **My Name Tags:** Order name tags for your child's uniform, water bottles, coats and shoes in many different designs: Please visit www.mynametags.com and enter the code: 21102. FOSHJ will receive 24% of the order value.
- **Easy fundraising** <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> just search for Friends of Sun Hill Junior School and everytime you access your online shops through this website a donation is made to FOSHJ at no cost to you!



Well Done Ben for helping in the community putting up Christmas trees last weekend! And for also kickstarting the Wellbeing Advent calendar at The Toy Box by donating some gifts to Project Secret Santa.



SHJS School Notices

The Christmas Holiday Lunch Scheme enrolments are now open.

We are inviting families with school-aged children (who live or attend a school in the city of Winchester and some surrounding areas, including Alresford) who feel they need some extra help over the school holidays to register for our Holiday Lunch Scheme. The aim of the scheme is to provide food to cover 5 lunches per child per week. Please note that the holiday lunch scheme is in addition to our normal operation, and does not count towards the number of standard vouchers you can receive. However, we ask that you don't claim both during the same period of time.

Please be aware that the food supplied is designed to replace the hot meal and will be tinned/dried; we do not have food items suitable for packed lunch style meals.

The standard content for this year's Christmas bag will be the following items: Penne pasta, chicken noodles, tomato pasta sauce, a big soup with meat, baked beans, spaghetti hoops, sweetcorn, tinned potatoes, tinned bolognese, hot dogs, tuna, mince pies, custard, chocolate coins.

We can offer food suitable for most dietary requirements.

This Christmas we have 4 locations for you to collect from:

Bar End (The Vineyard Church, SO23 9NR) – Monday 16th December and Thursday 19th December, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.;

Highcliffe (21a Penton Place, Milland Road, SO23 0PZ) – Tuesday 17th December and Friday 20th December, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

New Alresford (St Gregory's Church, SO24 9HD) – Wednesday 18th December, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.;

Weeke (St Barnabas Church, SO22 6DS) – Thursday 19th December, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

You will be asked to nominate which location you will be collecting your food from – please think carefully about this as we cannot change it!

Closing date is Sunday 8th December 2024.

To register click here: [CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY LUNCH SCHEME](#)

If you need support for the whole family, please register for a full food parcel

- www.winchesterbasicsbank.co.uk/get-help

Key Dates 2024-2025

The school will update families as soon as possible, but please note these dates are subject to change.

Tuesday 10th December- Upper School Listen to Me Concert*

Wednesday 11th December- Rock Steady Concert 9.15am*

Monday 9th Decmber- Lower School Dress Rehearsal

Wednesday 11th December- Lower School Christmas Matinee 1.30pm*

Wednesday 11th December- Lower School Christmas Performance 6pm*

Thursday 12th December- Lower School Christmas Performance 6pm*

Friday 13th December- Applicatons for Sports Clubs Deadline*

Monday 16th December- No Sports Clubs this week

Monday 16th December- Phase Exhibitions 3pm*

Tuesday 17th December- Christmas Service at St. Johns Church 10am*

Tuesday 17th December- Lower School Christmas Dinner & Disco*

Wednesday 18th December- Upper School Christmas Dinner & Disco*

Thursday 19th December- Whole School Christmas Pantomime Trip*

Friday 20th December- Last Day of Autumn Term (1pm finish)*

*a letter has been communicated about this event.

Monday 6th January- First Day of Spring Term

Wednesday 29th January - SEND Parents Evening

Monday 10th February- Sponsored Read Launch

Tuesday 11th February- Parents Evening

Thursday 13th February- Parents Evening

Friday 14th February- INSET DAY

Monday 17th-Friday 21st February- Half Term

Monday 24th February-Monday 24th March- Year 5 Swimming Sessions

Thursday 27th February- Bag2School Fundraiser
Thursday 6th March- World Book Day
Friday 7th March- Lower School Paultons Park Trip
Thursday 3rd April- Easter Service at St. John's
Monday 7th-Monday 21st April- Easter Holidays
Tuesday 22nd April- INSET DAY
Wednesday 23rd April- First Day of Summer Term
Monday 12th May-Thursday 15th May- SATS Week
Monday 26th-Friday 30th May- Half Term
Friday 27th June- INSET DAY
Tuesday 22nd July- Last day of academic year (1pm finish)

Academic year 2025/26**

Wednesday 3rd September- First Day of Autumn Term
Monday 20th October- Friday 31st October- Half Term
Friday 19th December- Last Day of Autumn Term
Monday 5th January- First day of Spring Term
Monday 16th February- Friday 20th February- Spring Half Term
Friday 27th March- Last day of Spring Term
Monday 30th March-Friday 10th April- Easter Holidays
Monday 13th April- First Day of Spring Term
Monday 4th May- Bank Holiday
Monday 25th May- Friday 29th May- Summer Half Term
Wednesday 22nd July- Last day of Summer Term

***Inset Days for the academic year 2025/26 will be confirmed by the school's board of trustees in due course. These will be shared with families as soon as possible.*