



News Update

Autumn Term 2 — Week 6

10th December 2021

Key Diary Dates

Event / Activity	Date
Filming of Festive performances	13th, 14th, December 2021
End of term	17th December 2021
January INSET DAY	Tuesday 4th January 2022
Spring term begins	Wednesday 5th January 2022
INSET Day in Summer term	Monday 25 April 2022

Principal's Post

Dear Parent/Carer,

Rehearsals for the festive performances are in full swing. It is a joy to hear the singing and music through the corridors. Filming for the performances will be on Monday and Tuesday next week. I would like to thank the staff for their ongoing commitment to ensuring the performances are the very best they can be under current circumstances. I very much hope you enjoy sharing these memories with your child when the secure portal is available on Friday 17th December 2021. I look forward to seeing you all later today at our Festive Fair, it promises to be a fun event.

I wish you all a safe and peaceful weekend.

Mr T Jordan



Festive performance filming consent: Providing your consent for your child to be filmed in their year group festive performances. The headlines are:

- Without this consent your child will not be able to be filmed in the performance.
- **All consent forms are required by 9am Monday 13th December 2021.**
- To provide consent, please complete the online form via the link below.
- Reception and Year 1 will be filmed on Monday 13th December 2021.
- Year 2 will be filmed on Tuesday 14th December 2021.
- Passcodes will be sent for viewing on Friday 17th December 2021

Consent Link: [Festive Performance filming consent form](#)

(Please note, if we do not receive this consent, the academy will assume you do not want your child to be part of the film.)

COVID-19 Update:

The academy and locality continues to see a rise in covid-19 cases. **The academy remains open and your child should continue to attend as normal if they remain well.**

To reduce the risk of transmission further, please consider:

- Maintaining your distance from the classroom doors
- Think about your distance from others on the playground at drop off and collection.
- Consider wearing a face mask.

Take care and stay safe.

Staffing update: This week we sadly said goodbye to Mrs S Nelson. Mrs Nelson is taking another exciting role that will support a variety of different children and families within the county and I am absolutely certain that she will be incredible in this role.

The academy will also say goodbye to Mrs Nalawade. Mrs Nalawade has resigned from her role as class teacher and we wish her every success for the future. We are delighted that Mrs Howes will continue to be the class teacher for Peake class for the remainder of this academic year.



**Weekly Class
Recognition Awards,
Congratulations to all
our winners:**

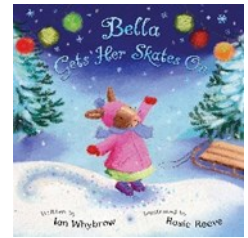
Reception: H Quigley, I Smedmor, J Saley, N Sanir, A Job and C Butler

Year 1: Peake Class, M Dunne, P Lawrence, and A Tomar, J Fawole.

Year2: N Ripley, R Syed, Z Bah, B Tolfrey, J Brooking and P Mesnik-Bueno

A good read

Bella gets her skates on written by Ian Whybrow is a wonderful story about Bella who conquers her fears and demonstrates great perseverance to ice skate.



The story begins with Bella's big brother and sister who are excited to go ice skating, whereas Bella is very frightened and feels very nervous. The story illustrates how Bella overcomes her fears and gains the confidence to step onto the ice to discover that she loves ice skating!

When have you conquered your fears?

When have you shown great perseverance?

Gifts for staff!

Some parents have been asking if there will be drop boxes for gifts for Christmas gifts for staff.

Whilst there is never an expectation of a gift, for those that would like to, there will be drop boxes on the playgrounds during W/C 13th Dec 2021.

Thank you!

FoPHIA are on Facebook!

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Just search **Friends of Pound Hill Infant Academy** and click 'like' to get our updates!

Please note - this page will only be used for sharing information regarding Friends events/ donation days/key information etc. It is not a means of communication to staff members at school.

Thank you.

Christmas card collections:



Classroom post boxes will be available outside each class for Christmas cards on:

Monday 6th December 2021

Thursday 9th December 2021

Monday 13th December 2021

Christmas cards will be delivered to the children's classrooms throughout the week and sent home with the children.

