# **HCJS** Newsletter

Aiming High, Celebrating Success



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#### Anti-bullying poster competition winner

We had a competition throughout the school to design a poster as part of our anti-bullying week. School councillors chose a winner from each class and the overall winner in the school was Imogen. She was given a new set of multi-coloured socks as a prize. (by Kian, Rory and Archie Yr 6)

The finalists chosen as a winner from each class were:

Year 6: Sophie, Orson, Esa, Year 5: Zoe, Isla

Year 4: Isobel, Imogen Year 3: Jonathon, Sophie, Niña





"I was happy when Mrs. Tibbs announced in the assembly that I was the winner. I received the socks as we had been encouraged to wear odd socks on Friday. I think the anti-bullying week is special because it can remind people to be respectful and kind to each other." (by Imogen 4SC)

## **Bugsy Malone Rehearsals**

Just to give you prior notice that the after school rehearsals for our production of Bugsy Malone will begin from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 running from 3.30 to 5pm. The children will be given one week's notice if they are required to attend.

### Talking 'Communication'

Hopefully you will have seen the exciting news this week concerning our new school App. Launching in January it will revolutionise the way we communicate and help us to keep you up to date with all the news from HCJS more easily and speedily. I urge you to register and download the app ready for January.

As part of our overall aim of improving communications at all levels I'm writing to let you know about two other new innovations that that will be using from now on:

We have decided to phase out our use of Facebook and so I have set up a HCJS head teacher twitter account: **@HcjsHeadteacher**. It will be available to view from within both the new app and the school website and will (other than this newsletter) be my primary way of talking directly to you from now on.











I haven't tweeted much yet, (after all no one is following!) but I will be from Monday - Sports news will continue to be communicated through the @HCJSsports account, although I will probably re-tweet news from that account too. Please give both a follow.

#### **Class Dojo**

We are also pleased to say that our recent trial of 'ClassDojo' has been successful and we are expanding its use to the whole school - ClassDojo is a communication app for the classroom. It connects teachers, parents, and students; it will be an important way for us to share your child's achievements in class with you. ClassDojo has proved very popular with the pupils (and parents) of 5H who have been using it for some time. Look out for a letter explaining more about how to access this app and how it will be used.

#### Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who supported Children in Need. We are delighted to inform you that we managed to sell all of our Children in Need merchandise at a total of £470. In addition we also received £65.70 in general donations. We hope the children had a lovely day wearing their bright colours!

#### The Giving Machine

Please remember to log in through The Giving Machine when doing your on-line Christmas shopping.

The Giving Machine is a fundraising organisation designed to help charitable causes raise money online. By signing up and shopping online via <a href="https://document.com/TheGivingMachine">TheGivingMachine</a> you will generate a free cash donation for HCJS PTA. With all your favourite retailers, including Amazon, Ebay, M&S, NEXT, Tesco, Sainsburys, John Lewis, Ocado, Boots and many more, you are bound to find what you need and generate a donation.

In order to start raising free donations please go to www.thegivingmachine.co.uk and follow these steps:

- · Click 'Join as a giver'. It will ask you to search for a cause. Type in **Haddenham Community Junior School** in the search and then select from the list of results.
- · Click join and support and then enter your details. You are now signed up

Go to: https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/haddenham-community-junior-school/

## **Christmas Decoration Competition**

Please remember that the deadline for the Christmas decoration competition is Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. We can't wait to see all of your festive baubles and wreaths.

#### Learners of the Week



Friday 23rd November



Friday 30th November

## **Key Dates for your Diary**

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Year 6 boys football vs Bedgrove Junior School @ HCJS
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2018 2pm	Year 5 Shakespeare Showcase to parents
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2018 5.30 - 6.30pm	PGL Meeting for Year 4 parents
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	PTA Jolly Jumper Day £1
	PTA Festive Fayre 6pm - 8pm
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2018 1.45pm - 2.45pm	Year 3 Music & Mince Pies event
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2018 6.30 - 7.30pm	Year 3 Music & Mince pies event
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	Pantomime trip & last day of term
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	School opens for Spring term