

Badger Class Newsletter:

6th December 2024



It's hard to believe its December already! We still have lots of learning still to do as well as Christmas-y events to look forward to!

Attendance

Our attendance this week is **94.67%**. As a school, we aim to achieve **98%**. We know that absence is sometimes unavoidable, but as ever we appreciate your support in getting your child to school on time, every day.

Class notices:

PE Kit

We have noticed that now that the weather has turned, some children are wearing jumpers to school on PE days that are not part of our PE kits. On a PE day, please can children wear one of the following:

- A non-logoed jumper / hoodie / sweatshirt in their team colour
- A non-logoed navy or black jumper / hoodie / sweatshirt
- Their normal school jumper

My Personal Best

We had loads of fun on Tuesday at the 'My Personal Best' morning. The whole school gathered on the field to take part in 12 physical activities from skipping to dribbling a ball to bean bag tossing! The aim was for each child to try their best and score as highly as they could. It was lovely to see the children pushing themselves and supporting each other to do *their* personal best.

Singing

This week year 5 and year 6 went to Hasingham House and Lincoln hall to sing some Christmas songs. It was all very festive and our audiences seemed to really appreciate us, even joining in with some of our songs.

Learning this week:

In **maths**, we began our unit on multiplication & division by multiplying 4 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers using the column method. If children would like to practice at home, they could use a dice to generate 5 digits and lay them out like this:

$$\begin{array}{r} 5671 \times \\ 4 \\ \hline \hline \end{array}$$

In **English**, we wrote about Shackleton and his men as they battled across South Georgia. We learnt more about Shackleton and how he managed to continue to motivate the crew despite all the difficulties they faced. In **Science**, we thought about time zones and considered what people around the world might be doing when it is 12pm in the UK. Ask your child if they can remember the name of the imaginary lines drawn on the earth from north to south, which give us the time zones.

In **DT**, we continue to brush up on our sewing skills. This week we have mastered backstitch and blanket stitch. We shall be putting all these skills to good use next week when we start work on our bags.

Badger class webpage

Don't forget to check our webpage regularly for photographs of our learning and copies of any communication and newsletter: [Year 5 | Hingham Primary School](#)

Homework

Just a reminder of our homework expectations: **daily reading** (this can be you reading to your child, or them reading to you – or a mixture of both) and at least 15 minutes of TT Rock Stars a week. Please encourage your child to focus on being accurate with their answers, rather than increasing the numbers of minutes they spend. **The target is 500 correct answers every week.**

Thank you for supporting your children with this - already we have seen an increase in accuracy!

Dates for your diary (some dates are subject to change):

- 13.12.24 SEN Cafe morning for Parents in the Hall 9am – 10:10am
- 18.12.24 Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper day (see Parentmail for more details)
- 19.12.24 Christmas party! (see Parentmail entitled 'Build up to Christmas')
- 20.12.24 Last day of Autumn term
- 07.01.25 First day of Spring term

Thank you for your continuing support, Mrs Davidson and Mrs Turner