



NEWSLETTER

Hilgay Riverside Academy Newsletter

December 2017

From the Head Teacher

Dear all,

Next week is full of festive fun! We have Christmas dinner, Christmas jumper day, Christmas performances and our trip to the pantomime – oh yes we have! We are also continuing with learning in between all of the festivities and I know many of the children have been busy with assessments this week. I have seen lots of concentrating children, working really hard to be the best that they can be.

Our older children took part in sports hall athletics this week and made us all proud! They were also visited by a rat, a hissing cockroach and a lizard in their Animal Encounters!

I look forward to seeing many of you at the chapel next week for The Bossy King.

Regards,

Sarah Turner

Head Teacher

Just a small reminder that the children return to school on **Wed 3rd January**, and the school is closed on the **12th Jan** as staff have a training day.



We are also open on **29th March** and closed on the **20th April**.

Thank you

Animal Encounters 4th December.

Children from Barn Owls popped over the river to Ten Mile Bank for some amazing encounters with a Rat called Florence, a Bearded Dragon called Pop, Giant Madagascan Hissing Cockroaches and Giant African Land Snails.

Ask your child which animal, after Humans, can adapt to any habitat.



Animal Encounters - Thank you Banham Zoo for bringing in the animals.

Sports Hall Athletics
Tuesday 5th December

Teams from both Hilgay
and Ten Mile Bank
represented the
Riverside Federation.
Javelin, standing long
jump and relay were
among the activities the
children took part in.



Dates for your diary:

December

12th Nativity (evening)

13th Nativity (afternoon)

14th Christmas Dinner

15th Pantomime

18th Christingle

19th Christmas Party (pm)

Last day of term

3rd Jan Children return

The Bossy King is our Nativity play this year. We have two performances for your delight. Tuesday 12th Dec at 5:30pm in the Methodist Chapel, and Wednesday 13th Dec at 2:00pm, again in the Methodist Chapel. Tickets have been sent home with your child(ren).

Christmas Dinner traditional roast turkey dinner, crackers and fun. 14th December. Christmas jumpers to be worn. Due to the lack of space, the staff will be serving the children's meals to them in Barn Owls and the hall. They will be sitting with their Hilgay families, so even if your child has brought in a packed lunch, they will be part of the festivities.

Christmas Pantomime. The whole Federation will be going to the Princess Theatre, Hunstanton for their morning performance of Cinderella on Friday 15th December. Please ensure that permission slips are at school by **Monday 11th**

Christingle Service will be held on the 18th December in the All Saints Church in the morning. We hope you can attend this beautiful service.

Christmas Party Friends of Hilgay have organised a special Christmas party this year. It will be held in the Village

Thank you to all the
parents, nans, grandads,
aunties, uncles and friends
who supported the Friends
Christmas Fair. We
raised a whopping
£686.80.FANTASTIC -
Thank You

Christmas Café 1st December

The Christmas Eve Tree



Our Christmas Café was a great success with parents, grandparents and children alike. *"lovely to see the children working and playing together"*

"Loved it—had a lovely time creating all the bits" *"We enjoyed this activity, it was nice to create something together that will last for years to come"*

Just some of the wonderful feedback from everyone.