

# **HEADS' CORNER**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are well and have had a good week. We have had a very busy couple of weeks at Underhill with lots of exciting learning, preparation for our Christmas shows, and trips.

This December our theme is Dazzle US December. We will be focusing on all our BE words but in particular BE caring. We will be thinking about how our behaviour impacts others and how we can make each other happy every day at school. This is a very busy time of the year, with lots of different things happening and the school day doesn't always follow our normal routine. We are thinking about how at times like this we need to make sure that just because things are different, we still maintain our excellent behaviour so that we are all having fun and doing our best. Look out for your children wearing the Dazzle US December silver star stickers for great behaviour!

This week, there have been lots of trips. Some of the KS2 children went to a multi-sports events over at Stone X stadium, Year 1 have been exploring our local area, and Reception to Year 4 have been to the Bull Theatre to see their production of the Grinch. Thank you very much to all the parents who have helped out with these trips. We couldn't do them without your support.

The PTA Christmas Fair is on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December from 3pm to 4.30pm. Thank you so much for the wonderful prizes and gifts that you brought in for the Tombola. We really appreciate your generosity. It's going to be a great event and a huge thank you to all the members of the PTA for organising our Christmas fair!

Lots of rehearsals have been happening across the school as we get ready for our Christmas Shows. It's really exciting that we are able to host these events again after the last couple of years and we are looking forward to seeing you all. Letters finalising the details are being sent out today.

Finally, we will be celebrating Chanukah on the last day of term with lots of fun and games linked to this wonderful festival. Details to follow.

Have a great weekend!

Jennie Reed and Nicola Hayles







# ATTENDANCE

### House attendance

House	Last Week	This Week
Balmoral	85.60	83.61
Holyrood	84.60	85.55
Sandringham	87.99	83.91
Windsor	82.41	83.04

#### Absence

Please remember to report any absences daily to <u>attendance@underhill.barnetmail.net</u>

Absences either side of a school holiday will not be authorised and you will be asked for medical evidence to avoid a Fixed Penalty Fine by the Education Welfare Team

1008	Impact of attend	
100%	0 Weeks of	Very Good
Attendance	learning missed	
95%	1 week and 4	Not too bad
Attendance	days of learning missed	Attendance officer monitoring
90%	3 weeks and 4	Cause for concern,
Attendance	days of learning missed	Educational Welfare officer involvement
85%	5 weeks and 3	Worrying
Attendance	days of learning	Poor attendance
	missed	Educational Welfare
		officer involvement
80%	7 weeks and 3	Poor attendance
Attendance	days of learning	Cause for concern
	missed	Educational Welfare
		officer involvement
75%	9 weeks and 1	Poor attendance
Attendance	day of learning	Serious cause for
	missed	concern
		Educational Welfare

#### **Class attendance**

Class	Last Week	This Week
Beech	82.69	89.79
Maple	78.08	87.39
1 Hazel	89.52	88.94
1 Oak	93.36	93.78
1 Willow	87.17	84.82
2 Birch	94.77	74.10
2 Chestnut	80.89	78.71
2 Palm	85.37	96.91
3 Cedar	85.32	87.10
3 Hornbeam	76.58	73.85
3 Yew	84.54	90.34
4 Cherry	87.20	90.08
4 Larch	87.59	89.31
4 Pine	88.97	90.46
5 Holly	87.40	76.02
5 Laurel	70.00	73.26
5 Sycamore	89.84	65.02
6 Ash	89.35	88.89
6 Elm	78.52	78.08
6 Hawthorn	82.08	77.07
Total	84.80	83.62







# **NOTICES AND NEWS**

### **STAFF LED CLUBS**

All staff led clubs have now finished for this term, Keep an eye out for our spring term clubs letter that will be emailed out to parents before the end of term. External clubs will have their own end of term dates so please check with them directly.

#### **CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY**



This year our Christmas jumper day will take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December at Underhill, Please send your children to school wearing a Christmas jumper/ festive clothing with a donation of £1 for Save the Children.

#### **COFFEE AND MINCE PIE MORNING**

Do you have a child that is having difficulties with language and communication skills? Why not come and join Sue (SENDCo) and Laura Gray our Educational Phycologist for a drop in coffee and mince pie session. This will be an informal session and include discussions around supporting your child's language and communication skills. This will take place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 9.15 – 10.15 in the School Canteen



#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

8<sup>th</sup> December 2022 KS2 Carol concert rehearsal 10-12pm 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022- Christmas Jumper day 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022- EYFS concert 2.30pm 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – KS2 Carol concert rehearsal 10am 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – KS1 Dress rehearsal 2pm 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – KS1 Show 9.30am 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – KS1 Show 2pm 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – KS2 Carol Concert rehearsal 9.45am 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – Carol Concert rehearsal 9.45am 15<sup>TH</sup> December 2022 – Carol Concert 9.45am 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – Class parties pm 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – End of term **1.30pm finish January 2023** 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 – INSET DAY – School closed 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023 – Back to school







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### PETER PHILLIPS CRICKET

HOLIDAY COACHING COURSES FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5 - 16



#### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CRICKET COURSE MONDAY 19TH - FRIDAY 23RD DECEMBER

FULL WEEK OR INDIVIDUAL DAYS

Absolute beginners to established club players Everyone is welcome! With fantastic indoor and outdoor facilities it's ...



NON STOP CRICKET WHATEVER THE WEATHER:

Working Mums and Dads? Early bird drop off and late pick up available!

Courses take place at: The Totteridge Academy Indoor & Outdoor Sports Centre, Barnet Lane, N20 8AZ

For more information please visit: <u>www.peterphillipscricket.co.uk</u> Or call Peter anytime on 07930 44 55 66











Underhill's Childrens centre last week for the autumn term will be week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022. Esol courses are available every Wednesday, if you would like to join please call 0208 449 2423.



Activities offered weekly unless otherwise stated











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#### **MRS LIMBRICKS ENGLISH CORNER**

We have counted our November FRED reads and we are up to 8972! Not many to go until 10 000 so keep reading every night and keep filling in your FRED reading dairies.



### **UPDATED SCHOOL LUNCH MENU**







