



Newsletter

7th November 2025

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A MESSAGE FROM MS PAULSON

Dear families, welcome back to all! I hope you all had a lovely break and are ready for a busy half term ahead in the run up to Christmas. This is one of my favourite times of year with many festivals of light and excitement in the air! The children have had an enjoyable week; they have been excited to begin learning new topics and talking about their experiences over the holiday. There has been a buzz around school all week - Haydn really is a lovely place to be!

DIWALI CELEBRATION DAY

We had a wonderful Diwali celebration day today. Children have had the chance to share and learn about the Hindu, Sikh and Jain festival with their friends during the week and today, we came together in a whole school Diwali celebration assembly. Children across school enjoyed a range of themed learning activities, from creating beautiful artwork and Rangoli patterns, to enjoying Diwali music and sharing a special Diwali lunch.

Also, can we say a special thank you to parents who have visited and shared traditions and stories of Diwali with children across school, as well as decorating the dining room ready for our lunch. It was a delight to see so many children dressed for the occasion and embracing both their own and other cultures and faiths. Well done to Akaaljot and the F2 children for taking part in assembly today.

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK AND ODD SOCKS DAY

Next week is National Anti-Bullying Week with the theme, 'Power for Good'. Odd Socks Day is taking place on Monday 10th November, with adults and children being encouraged to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. This fits in nicely with our PSHE Jigsaw theme this half term which we introduced this week in assembly: Celebrating Difference. We will be holding an Anti-Bullying assembly next Monday and will spend the week spreading kindness throughout the school.

INTER-FAITH WEEK

Next week is also Inter-faith week starting on Sunday 9th November. Remembrance Sunday was chosen as a start day to encourage people to remember together the contributions of all faiths (including no faith), and to consider together how best to create a just, peaceful and harmonious world. On Friday we will be having two guest speakers at our assembly, an ex-Haydn parent, Karen Worth who is Jewish and Ferzana Shan who is Muslim. Karen came in last year and they will be talking to the children more about the Salaam Shalom Kitchen which is a joint Muslim/Jewish project in Nottingham founded on the belief that working together across communities and perceived boundaries helps build community cohesion and break down barriers. We can't wait to find out more!

NATIONAL SCHOOL MEALS WEEK 2025 - MONDAY 10TH - FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

To celebrate national school meals week, your child will be bringing home an activity sheet on Monday. The sheet is purely for fun at home and doesn't need to be handed in once completed.

BBC CHILDREN IN NEED - FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER



On Friday 14th November we will be having a non-uniform day at Haydn. Children can wear their own clothes; all we ask is that they wear something spotty. We also ask that the children **don't** bring cash to school on this occasion. Donations can be made on the Arbor app/portal. Please click on 'School Shop' to make a payment. Donations can be made from Monday 10th November until Monday 17th November.

MATHS FAMILY STAY & PLAY - MONDAY 17TH NOVEMBER

We would like to invite our children and their families to our next Maths Stay and Play on the 17th November 3.15pm to 4.15pm in the main hall. There will be fun, maths based games, puzzles and activities to enjoy and we hope they will inspire you to have fun with maths at home! Children will need to be supervised by an adult.

PUNCTUALITY AND ATTENDANCE

A reminder to please ensure your child arrives punctually to begin school at 8.45am each day. School finishes at 3.15pm. Teachers begin planning meetings at 3.15pm so please do your best to collect on time. If you are running late, please ring the school office to let them know.

At Haydn we are committed to ensuring that all children have excellent school attendance. Our school target this year is 97%. We understand that children need to be off school when they are ill but other than that, they need to be in school. Holidays should not be taken in term time and we will contact you if your child's attendance falls below 90%.

WEEKLY % ATTENDANCE FIGURES - THIS WEEK'S WINNERS ARE: 1W & 5C

FS	98.89%	FW	98.08%	1ST	98.52%	1W	99.26%	2C	98.15%
2F	98.15%	3G	95.19%	3T	95.17%	4H	95.70%	4W	97.00%
5C	98.52%	5H	94.64%	6C	93.33%	6CH	92.96%		

100% ATTENDANCE WINNERS - KS1: Evie (2C) KS2: Poppy (4H)

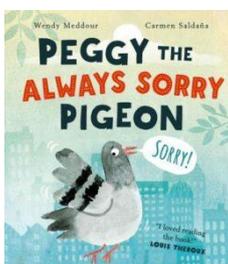
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Anti-Bullying Week

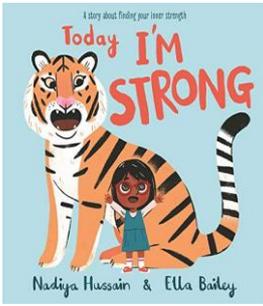
Next week 10th - 14th November is Anti-Bullying Week and the theme is 'Power for Good'. Giving and receiving respect from others is important because it helps us to feel safe and valued.

There are many great books to choose that can help children understand what bullying is and how children can learn strategies to overcome it.

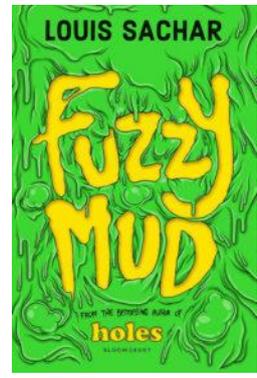
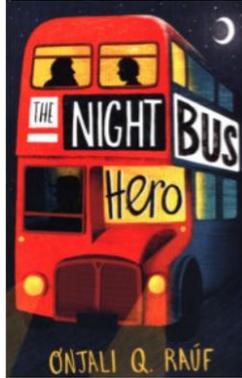
Below are some examples of lovely books.



Peggy is an apologetic pigeon. She always assumes she's in the wrong. Even when she's the one getting bullied. But Joan, an older female seagull, gives her the necessary skills to stand up for herself. This hilarious tale from award-winning author Wendy Meddour contains an important message about the importance of being assertive.



An uplifting and empowering picture book about finding your inner strength when school life gets tough, from the winner of 'The Great British Bake Off' and national treasure, Nadiya Hussain, beautifully illustrated by Ella Bailey.



Click on the link below for more choices for all ages:

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/topics/pshe-emotional-literacy-citizenship/anti-bullying/>

MATHS CHALLENGE

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Record the value of each Halloween object below.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

6C Swimming	Friday 7 th November - Friday 21 st November
Odd Socks Day	Monday 10th November
Nursery Early Reading Skills Parents Meeting	Tuesday 11 th November - 4.30pm
Children in Need	Friday 14th November
Maths Family Stay & Play	Monday 17th November
Year 3 Magna Science Centre Trip	Tuesday 18 th November
Bike Bus	Friday 21 st November
Inset Day	Friday 28 th November
Year 4 Nottingham Playhouse Panto	Thursday 4 th December
Nursery Lantern Walk	Thursday 4th December - 5pm - families welcome
PTA Christmas Fair	Friday 5th December
Singing Club & Area Band 'Christmas in the City' Concert - Albert Hall	Monday 8th December - 5.30pm
Year 2 Christmas Performance - 'Hey Ewe'	Tuesday 9th December - 2.30pm - families welcome Wednesday 10th December - 2.30pm - families welcome
F2 & Key Stage 1 Christmas Dinner	Wednesday 10th December
Key Stage 2 Christmas Dinner	Thursday 11th December
Year 1 Christmas Songs around the Christmas Tree	Thursday 11th December - 3.30pm - families welcome
F2 Lakeside Arts Trip - 'The Littlest Yak' Performance	Tuesday 16th December
Singing Club Christmas Concert	Tuesday 16th December - 4pm - families welcome
F2 Christmas Performance 'Whoops-A-Daisy Angel'	Wednesday 17th December - 10.00am families welcome - 4.00pm families welcome
Year 5 Nottingham Playhouse Panto	Thursday 18 th December
Christmas Party Day	Thursday 18th December
Nursery Christmas Song Celebration	Friday 19th December - 11.00am - 11.45am families welcome
Last Day of School	Friday 19 th December
Christmas Holidays	Monday 22 nd December - Friday 2 nd January
Back to School	Monday 5 th January
Year 5 Stratford-upon-Avon Residential	Wednesday 21 st January - Thursday 22 nd January
Last Day of School	Friday 13 th February
Half Term Holidays	Monday 16 th February - Friday 20 th February
Back to School	Monday 23 rd February
Last Day of School	Friday 27 th March
Easter Holidays	Monday 30 th March - Friday 10 th April
Back to School	Monday 13 th April



HAYDN PRIMARY PTA

CHRISTMAS FAIR

FRIDAY 5 DECEMBER | 3.15 - 5.15 PM
INDOOR & OUTDOOR | RAIN OR SHINE

Raffle | Tombola | Santa's grotto
Mulled wine & mince pies | Craft stalls
Games | Cake competition

We would love:

Raffle prizes - please leave at reception
Volunteers - for half hour slots
Stallholders - discounts for Haydn families

Email for details:
haydnprimarypta@gmail.com

Signposting

Learn to Swim with Core Aquatics - A multi-award winning, local swim school. Children 3+ years and adults of all abilities. Teachers in the water, small class sizes (4, 5 or 6 per group, fun and engaging lessons, individualised programmes, regular progress updates, experienced and supportive team. Children's classes at Nottingham High School, Saturdays 13.30 - 18.00, Sundays 14.00 - 18.00. Also, children's classes at West Bridgford School, Wednesdays 18.00 - 18.45, Saturdays 08.00 - 10.00, 16.45 - 18.45, Sundays 15.30 - 19.00. Adult classes, Sundays 19.00-19.30. For more information please visit www.coreaquatics.co.uk, email hello@coreaquatics.co.uk or phone 07920 687331.

Hollygirt Senior School Entrance Day (for Year 7 entry 2026) - Wednesday 14th January 2026. For more information and to find out about potential academic and creative scholarship offers, please contact our Admissions Manager on 0115 958 0596, or email info@hollygirt.co.uk.