

# High Bank Weekly Express



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Here are class updates about our learning this week...

**Nursery** enjoyed learning about the Christmas story this week. We looked at the book and spoke about the important people in the story and why we celebrate Christmas. Nursery have worked really hard singing and dancing for their part as camels for the nativity. We're looking forward to you seeing it on Tuesday!

The children in **Reception** have been learning how to work out 'one more' in maths this week. We have been using numicon and number lines to add one more by counting on. The children have then had a go at representing their ideas and problems through numbers and patterns.

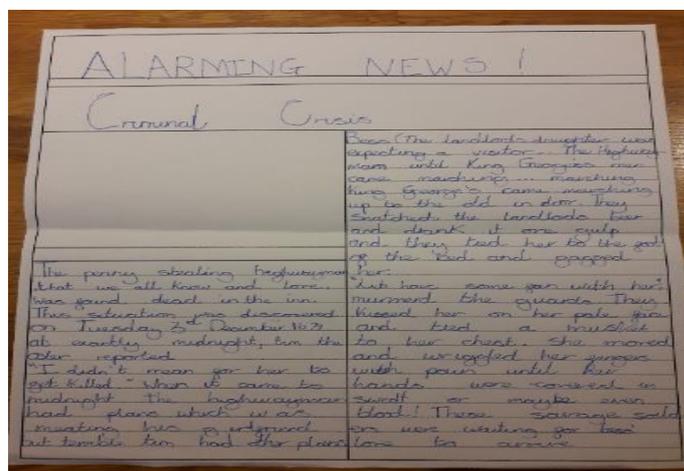
**Year 1** have been busy practicing our Nativity and can't wait for you all to see it next week! We have been doing some investigating in Science looking at why leaves change colours in the autumn. We loved making our baubles for the Christmas tree and enjoyed putting them on our school tree.

Did you see Noah in **Year 2** do some quick movements in rugby on our twitter page? We have got one more week of rugby with the coach from the Huddersfield Giants. He has taught us lots of rugby skills and vocab. He has been super impressed with the children's skills and their behaviour too! We have been doing some Autumn assessments in reading, maths and SPAG. They have been using their brilliant brains!

**Year 3** have worked extremely hard with completing all their assessments and Mrs Summerscales is super proud of all of the children for getting on so well and having a great attitude

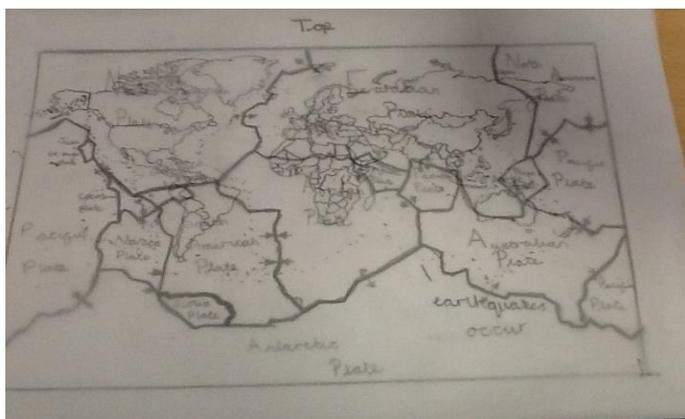
to learning- well done! We have dissected flowers to identify the role each part of the flower has in pollination and carried out an experiment to explore how water is transported in flowers using food colouring whilst observing the petals change colour. We are finishing this week learning about the mysteries of Stonehenge and we are looking forward to creating an edible biscuit model of Stonehenge using short bread and bourbons!

We have been working hard on our assessments in **Year 4** and have learned so much already this year, now is our time to shine and show how much we have learnt. We have been busy with Christmas preparations and have produced some beautiful artwork which will be working its way home shortly.



**Year 5** have been working hard completing our assessments in reading and maths. We have also written some incredible newspaper reports describing what we predict might happen to the Highwayman at the end of the poem. In Science, we have been testing materials to see which would make the best insulating lunch box and our Christmas preparations are still in full swing!

**Year 6** have continued their work on earthquakes this week. First we completed a map of the earth's plate tectonics and then placed a traced map of the world over the top. Next, we plotted the locations of earthquakes and found that earthquakes occur where the plates meet. Finally, we labelled our map with information about different earthquakes.



### Other information

DOJO winner of the week

Reception - Alex  
 Year 1 - Tommy  
 Year 2 - Oskar  
 Year 3 - Jack  
 Year 4 - Charlotte  
 Year 5 - Alicia  
 Year 6 - Joel

100% attendance winner of the week -  
 Lydia - Year 4

Class attendance winner of the week - Year 1 -  
 99.4%

### **Early Years, Year 1 & 2 Nativity**

We will be holding our nativity play on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am and 5pm (entrance by tickets only). The children have been practicing so hard for the performance and are really looking forward to showing you what they have learnt. Please use the main reception entrance. Thank you.

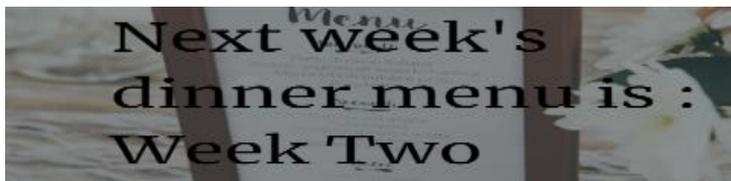
Children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2 need to be back at school at 4.45pm on Tuesday so that we can get them ready for the 5pm performance. Thank you.

### **Year 6 residential**

This will take place from 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> January to Robinwood, Dobroyd Castle in Todmorden. There are still some payments outstanding and we would be grateful if you could please make payment accordingly. We have sent home a personal information form to parents and carers to complete and return back to school as soon as possible. Thank you.



Our annual trip to the Pantomime will take place on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2019. We will be visiting Lawrence Batley theatre in Huddersfield to see 'Sleeping Beauty'. Please ensure that we have your signed reply slip in school. Children will need collecting from the hall at 4.30pm.



### **High Bank School Calendar Dates**

10/12/19 - KS1 Nativity  
 12/12/19 - All clubs finish  
 17/12/19 - Deadline for school milk  
 18/12/19 - Trip to Pantomime for Reception to Year 6 children  
 20/12/19 - Break up for Christmas  
 6/1/20 - School re-opens



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