Hawkinge Primary School

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Dear Parents

Our Year 3 and 4 children this week have been to visit the Hawthorne Trench Experience in Elham as part of their history lessons, learning more about life for the soldiers in World War One. It has been such an enriching experience! The children were able to interact with all the exhibits within the trench such as going into dugouts, trying out the soldier's bed and just learning the day to day life of a soldier in the trenches. If you have a child in this year group, I am sure they have told you all about it. If you are interested, we would say it was very much worth a visit. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents who came along on the trip too.

On Wednesday our Mini Police Cadets had a special visit from the police who brought their cars, a police van and a police dog on to the school site for the children to find out more about their work. If you live locally you may have heard lots of police sirens – please rest assured no one was arrested during the session!

I hope that by now you have received your letter about Parents' Evening and have also had your appointment confirmed. We look forward to seeing you next week. Maths, English and Theme books will be available for you to have a look at prior to your appointment – please do take a look at the great work the children have completed during the start of the school year.

On the reverse of the Parents' Evening letter I included an appeal for Christmas jumpers that no longer fit for us to re-sell if you had any. We have had a few donated – but if over the weekend you have an opportunity to have a good sort out please do send them in next week – thank you.

I can confirm the nativity will start at 9:30am on Wednesday 11th December and will last approximately 45 minutes.

As I write this newsletter we have just gone past the half way mark for this term – we still have three weeks left – and lots left to do. Sometimes when December 1st comes around the school starts to get inundated with Christmas cards. Please can I ask you to support us in keeping focused on the curriculum by not sending cards into school until 9th December when each class will put their Christmas post box out ready for collection? We appreciate your support.

Finally, if you fancy getting into the Christmas spirit this weekend our school choir will be performing at Hawkinge Carol Concert at the Community Centre starting at 3:00pm. Our choir sound wonderful – if you fancy coming along you would be very welcome!

There is a slight change of menu for the last week of this term, please see overleaf.

Monday 16th December

Pizza (v)* Curried Vegetable Pasty Jacket Wedges Baked Beans & Sweetcorn Cook's Choice of Christmas Dessert

Tuesday 17th December

Mac n Cheese (v)* Served with Garlic Bread & Salad Pasta Provencale (vg) Served with Garlic Bread & Salad Cook's Choice of Christmas Dessert

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Wednesday 18th December

Roast Turkey, Pig in Blanket, Stuffing Ball & Gravy with Roast Potatoes, Brussel Sprouts, Peas & Carrot Medley Veggie Meatloaf, Quorn Sausage, Stuffing Ball & Gravy (v)* with Roast Potatoes, Brussel Sprouts, Peas & Carrot Medley Christmas Ice-cream Tub

Thursday 19th December

Burger, Herby Diced Potatoes with Baked Beans & Cucumber Quorn Sausage, Pasta with Baked Beans & Cucumber (vg) Cook's Choice of Christmas Dessert

Friday 20th December

Fish Fingers, Chips & Peas Veggie Nuggets & Chips with Peas & Sweetcorn (vg) Cook's Choice of Christmas Dessert

Allergy/Vegan options available on request Please note that a jacket potato option will not be available on Christmas Dinner day