



# HILLTOP INFANT SCHOOL



## **E-Safety**

The sessions led by The 2 Johns yesterday were informative and thought-provoking. The children were taught that the internet is a wonderful resource that needs to be used carefully. As with many areas of life, the children were actively encouraged to talk to trusted adults about any worries or concerns that they have. This linked very clearly with the NSPCC session led by Kerry Westbrook and her colleague Sue earlier this term. John and John were able to provide staff and parents with a wide range of information about current apps and websites and gave us all clear strategies to help us keep our children safe online.

## **Play in a day**

Last Friday we took 10 of our Year 2 children to the CLC to learn and perform a play in a day. Mrs Mackenzie, Mrs Cox and Mrs Doe were fortunate enough to be part of the audience for the final performance. Our children were amazing! The day required a high level of reading skill and the children from Hilltop were the only infant children attending the event. They had a wonderful time working with junior children from a range of other Wickford schools. Thank you to the staff from Grange Primary School for organising the day.

## **Governor Monitoring**

On Monday morning this week four of our School Governors spent time carrying out some monitoring of writing across the school. This is a focus area for us at the moment and we are working to accelerate progress for all our children in writing. The Governors spent time in class, met with children, carried out "book looks" and met with staff. Thank you to all the Governors who gave up their time to work in school.

## **Pantomime**

Letters went home on Friday last week with details about our pantomime visit. If you haven't already done so, please can you return your consent form to the office ASAP.

## **Little Havens Raffle**

We are raffling a lovely wicker picnic hamper and all the proceeds will be going to Little Havens. Tickets are £1 a strip and can be purchase via the school office. The draw will take place on Friday 9th December.

## **Writing, English and Maths clubs**

Mrs Mackenzie, Mrs Bower, Mrs Jackson and Miss Miles morning clubs have now finished. Invitations will be sent out for these clubs in the new year.

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## **Letters sent home this week:**

None

## **Attendance w/beg 21/11/16**

Whole School 96.06%

Class of the week

Class 7 99.33 %

## **Craze of the Week Year 1 & 2**

The craze for next week will be Cheerleading

## **Online Booking for Christmas Performances**

Booking has now opened for the online booking for our Christmas Performances. If you have problems please contact the office staff who will be able to help.

## **Handwriting Award**

Many children are now being put forward to attempt handwriting awards. Mrs Mackenzie is aiming to work with all of the children who have been recommended by their teachers. She hopes to do this before the end of term.



## **Scooters**

As all the children in school are aware no one should be riding a scooter or bicycle in school grounds. This is because of the large number of people who are moving about the school site at the beginning and end of the school day. We were very disappointed to hear that two of our children were asked not to scoot by the caretaker of Hilltop Junior School today and they chose to start riding again when they were several feet away from him.

