

## Friday Letter

Merry Christmas! 🎅

19TH



Dear Parents and Carers,

Two weeks ago, we promised an action-packed end to the term, and it certainly didn't disappoint! The school has been overflowing with festive activities, and we are delighted to share that the children have had an absolutely amazing time. From the amazing turnouts at our Christmas craft sessions to the roar of laughter during our theatre trips, it has been a period of truly unforgettable memories.

Seeing the children in their Christmas jumpers, enjoying their big Christmas dinner together, and shining on stage has been the perfect way to wrap up the year.

### 🎭 Stars of the Show

The "Grand Finale" was, of course, our Christmas performances and Nativities. We were so proud to see the children stand tall, remember their lines, and sing their hearts out. A huge thank you to all of you for the incredible costumes and for practicing those songs at home—it clearly made all the difference! We also appreciate your support in following our safeguarding guidelines regarding photography; it allowed everyone to focus on the magic happening on stage.

### 👋 A Special Farewell to Mrs Morgan

In our special Christmas assembly this afternoon, we also said a fond farewell, Mrs Morgan, our Breakfast Club and Midday supervisor, who is retiring.

To give her a proper send-off, we held a "Mrs Morgan by the Numbers" quiz, and the results were staggering! The children were amazed to discover that in her time here:

- She has supervised roughly 380,000 individual meals.
- She has walked 3,040 miles during lunchtimes—the equivalent of walking from here to New York!
- She has overseen the serving of approximately 19 million peas (and probably seen a fair few of them end up on the floor!).

Mrs Morgan has been a huge part of our school family and we wish her a very happy and well-deserved retirement.

### 📄 A Personal Note

On a personal note, I wanted to touch upon my upcoming period of absence. While I am sad to be away from school, I am focused on my recovery and am very much looking forward to returning to work in full health.

As you are aware, the school will be in the very capable hands of Mrs Robinson and our dedicated Senior Leadership Team. I have every confidence that the high standards and warm environment of our school will continue seamlessly under their leadership. Thank you for your kind words and continued support during this time.

### 🎄 Looking Ahead

As we close our doors for the Christmas break, we want to thank you for your incredible support throughout this busy term. It has been great to welcome so many of you into the school to share in the excitement.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a restful New Year.



Thank you to all those who came to the Christmas fair, donated items and joined in the fun!

Thanks to the efforts of our amazing staff and to all our families who showed their support, we were able to raise £1136!

Additionally, Our amazing lunchtime staff raised an fantastic £70 with their Raffle. Thank you to all the MSAs who donated and for all those who bought a ticket.

Congratulations to any winners too!





## SEND Update



Over the past term Hob Moor Primary School have worked really hard to make sure all our children have updated and well supported asthma plans. In being proactive and children having a safe system for their asthma needs means we have been awarded The Asthma Friendly Schools Award.

By achieving this award, a school ensures that all staff—from teachers to lunchtime supervisors—are trained to recognize early warning signs and act decisively during an emergency. This proactive environment significantly reduces asthma-related absences, allows children to participate fully in PE and playground activities without fear, and ultimately gives parents peace of mind knowing that their child's health is supported by a knowledgeable, prepared community.

Special thanks to Mrs Mills who leads this project and has worked closely with staff and the children to make our Asthma systems as safe as possible.

## Key Dates Spring 2026

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	School closed for training day
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	School open for children
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Parent/Carer meeting for Yr4 residential
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	School closes for half term
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	School re-opens
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	World Book Day
W/B Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Open Doors
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	School closes for Easter holidays
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	School re-opens

## Class Attendance

8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>

92%

92%

94%

93%

94%

96%

94%

93%

95%

15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>

84%

85%

Seahorses 89%

Dolphins 92%

Stingrays 76%

Pufferfish 89%

Sharks 97%

Whales 93%

Sea Otters 92%