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Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

What an assembly to end the first half of the autumn term, with so many children to celebrate for all the great things that have happened this half term. **Generosity award** - celebrating our Christian value, and prizes for the fruits made for the "Generositree" celebrating our home/school value. **Always award** - celebrating those children who consistently show the Hurst Knoll St James way and **most improved award** - celebrating those who have made great strides in their learning. **Liberty House won the reward this half term with nearly 5000 house points!** Not forgetting the **Headteacher, Head Boy and Head Girl awards!** Thanks to the many parents and family members who turned up to celebrate with us, and a thank you to the staff for contributing to the occasion.



Family Time

Thank you for those parents and family members who came to the family time sessions this week in Year 1, 3 and 5. It was great to have so many parents interested in the learning taking place. We hope this will help you support your child at home.

Film Night

Film night raised £124 and all the children who attended HKSJ Cinema had a great time watching Toy Story and enjoying their snack bags.

Hands on help with keeping children safe online

Do you know how to update your children's privacy and security settings on mobile phones, tablets and laptops to help keep them safe online? Tameside Libraries are offering parents and carers free online safety sessions, funded by the Greater Manchester Police and Crime Commissioner and delivered by MadLab.

Parents will be able to bring in their children's devices to the sessions for practical, hands-on help in changing security settings. The sessions are being held at a number of Tameside libraries from November to February. For further details and to book see <http://www.tameside.gov.uk/libraries/events/onlinesafety>

Online safety for parents and carers

Being online is now part of everyday life, with children accessing the internet at home and at school through computers, phones and other devices.

If you would like to understand more about how to keep your child safe online, and get practical advice on how to better protect your child from online risks, then book your place at one of the free 1 hour long sessions running in libraries between November 2016 – February 2017

Session 1

An introduction to the dangers of being online, with practical advice on how to keep your child safe, and where to go for further support.

Session 2

A practical session with hands-on guidance for implementing parental guidance techniques.

Bring your own device (laptops, tablets, and mobiles)

Participants must have attended Session 1 in order to book onto Session 2.

Sessions available from November 2016 – February 2017 at various libraries throughout Tameside

Ring Tameside Libraries Information Service on 0161 342 2031 or visit tameside.gov.uk/libraries/events/onlinesafety to book your free place.

School Events this Term

We have a number of events and experiences for the children to participate in this term:

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| • Monday 31 st October | School closed – INSET DAY |
| • Tuesday 1 st November | Back to school |
| • Monday 7 th November | Olympic Athlete visit |
| • Wednesday 9 th November | Café Church Year 6 St James Church 2.00 (Parents/family welcome) |
| • Monday 14 th November | Anti-bullying week |
| • Wednesday 16 th November | Individual/Family Photographs |
| • Friday 18 th November | NSPCC workshops |
| • Thursday 24 th November | Pantomime – Babes in the Wood 1.45-2.45 |
| • Tuesday 6 th December | Parliament Education Service KS2 assembly and workshops |
| • Thursday 8 th December | Christmas Fair 3.30-5.30 (Parents/family welcome) |
| • Thursday 15 th December | Reception Nativity 9.30 (Parents/family welcome) |
| • Thursday 15 th December | KS1 Carols 2.30 (Parents/family welcome) |
| • Friday 16 th December | Nursery Carols/Nativity Story 11.30 (Parents/family welcome) |
| • Friday 16 th December | Christmas Dinner |
| • Monday 19 th December | Christmas Jumper Day |
| • Monday 19 th December | Christmas Service led by Year 4 St James Church 2.00 (Parents/family welcome) |
| • Tuesday 20 th December | Christmas Party Day |
| • Tuesday 20 th December | End of term |

And Finally..... Half Term Approaching

A reminder that we finish today Friday 21st October for half term and return on **TUESDAY 1st November** as the school is closed on Monday 31st October for staff training.

Enjoy the holiday and any Halloween parties you may be attending. Keep safe if you are attending any firework displays next weekend.

Paul Anderson
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