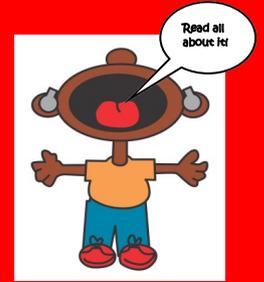




# Hearing Impaired Provision



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*The Christmas performances are underway, Secret Shop completed and class parties still to look forward to.*

*After a busy term adjusting to new teachers, classes, and timetables and lots of new learning, it's time now to relax and enjoy some special time with family and friends. We wish you all a merry and peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year!*



## DEAR SANTA...

Staff and children in the HIP enjoyed our annual trip to Milton Keynes to see Santa.

First we had a look around the beautiful Christmas display before going to a café for a drink and biscuit.

Next we went into the igloo with the elves. They showed us a magic trick for making snow! Then we made up a yummy mix for hot chocolate to take home and enjoy later.

Finally it was time to meet Santa in his grotto! He asked us our names and what we'd like him to bring for us on Christmas morning. Then he gave us a little gift each and we had a photo taken with him.



### Diary Dates

2020

Spring Term

Mon 6th Jan—Fri 3rd April

(Half Term 17-21 Feb)

Summer Term

Tue 21st April—Fri 17th July

(Half Term 25th—29th May)

### Inuit Art

As part of our Frozen Planet theme this term we have been finding out what is special about places with cold climates and the people and animals who live there. We've read stories set in the polar regions and studied Inuit Art.

We used collage to make this canoe for our Christmas display in the hall.





# Evacuation!



Year 4 have been to Holdenby House to experience life as evacuees in WW2.

We started in the courtyard where we had to stand to attention in silence. We then split into our groups and went to our different activities.

Inside the house we went to the Make-do-and-Mend room with Mrs F. who showed us how old clothing was handed-down, repaired, recycled or even refashioned into a completely different garment. Old woolen clothing was unpicked and re-knitted into new jumpers, socks, vests etc. We then sorted buttons and old coins and had a go at making pompoms from old wool. These would have been used to decorate clothing or as toy 'balls' for children

to play with. We even saw one as big as a football!

Afterwards the Major took us downstairs to see the air-raid shelter in the basement. He turned the lights off and we all agreed that it would have been quite scary down there during a real air-raid.

In the old kitchen we saw how no food was wasted in war-time because 'rationing' meant people were often hungry. We helped prepare fruit and vegetables for pickling as this was a good way of preserving food. We finished by singing the song, Run Rabbit Run!



Peeling apples to make pies for the 'soldiers' convalescing at Holdenby House

## YEAR 2 SEE THE LIGHT

Year 2 had a special RE Day and thought about the role of light in our lives and different religious celebrations. One of the activities the children took part in was to make a tea-light holder from clay and decorate it beautifully.



## Victorian Values

Year 2 had an opportunity to experience life as Victorian school-children. At the start of the day they lined-up and marched into the class to say the Lord's Prayer and sing a hymn. They then ate some gruel, which was quite nice, before doing drill, which is a bit like PE. Some naughty children were 'caned'. Ouch! Most children enjoyed the day but everyone agreed 'normal' school is better!

