

St Hedda's Catholic Primary School



Stars of the week
Class 1 - George
Class 2 - Missy

In Class 1 - What a busy, joyful week we've had in Class 1! Our theme has been Gingerbread men, and the children have thrown themselves into every activity with enthusiasm and creativity. We began the week by decorating our very own gingerbread-man biscuits. The children loved choosing colours and patterns to bring their designs to life. They have explored painting and created wonderful gingerbread men through transient art, experimenting with loose parts to make different features and expressions. Our ginger-scented playdough was a huge hit too, encouraging fine-motor skills while filling the classroom with a delicious festive smell. We also enjoyed a lovely wreath-making session, where the children proudly crafted their own natural decorations. Thinking about Advent as a time of waiting and learning what each candle represents. In Year 1, In English, the children have been thinking about the world as our common home and discussing how we can care for it together. They have also been learning to write clear, sequenced instructions on how to make gingerbread men. In maths, Year 1 has been exploring both 2D and 3D shapes—naming, sorting, and describing their properties. It has been a wonderful week full of creativity, teamwork, and festive fun!

In Class 2 - This week, our students have engaged in a variety of meaningful and enjoyable learning activities. In Religious Education, the children explored the significance of Advent and had the opportunity to create Advent wreaths with their families. These activities helped deepen their understanding of the season and its traditions. In Mathematics, we focused on reinforcing times tables, with pupils demonstrating increasing confidence and accuracy in their calculations. During English lessons, students concentrated on sentence structure, developing their ability to construct clear and coherent sentences. In Physical Education, the children practiced basketball dribbling skills, enhancing their coordination, control, and overall fitness through structured activities. Well done for your enthusiasm across all areas of learning this week.

NEWSLETTER

28.11.25

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Monday 1st December

Tuesday 2nd December

Wednesday 3rd December

9.15am Advent Mass and Christingle

1.45pm Flu Vaccinations

5pm Christmas Bingo

Thursday 4th December

11 a.m. Y6 NPCAT Carol Service

p.m. Music

3.15pm SATs club

Friday 5th December

Non Uniform Day

p.m. Swimming

Severe Weather

Thank you for your patience and understanding during the snowy weather last week. We will endeavour to remain open whenever safely possible.

Advent Mass and Christingle

Please join us for mass at St Hedda's Church at 9:15am on Wednesday 3rd December.

Flu Vaccinations

Owing to the severe weather these were cancelled last week, we have now been given a date of 3rd December for these to take place. To opt in or out please use the following link: <https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/northyorkshire>

Christmas Bingo

Christmas Bingo takes place on Wednesday 3rd December at 5pm in the school hall, everyone welcome. We would be very grateful for any donations of prizes for this event, please could they be sent into school by Friday 28th November. Thank you

Christmas Lunch

Parents are invited to join us for Christmas lunch on 18th December. Meals must be booked (by emailing the school) no later than **Friday 28th November**. This can be paid via Parentpay and will cost £5 per adult.

Children can book their Christmas meal as normal.

School Photos

A photographer from Phototronics has been in school and taken individual and sibling photos. We will be sent proofs next week which we will send out and that will have all the details on for you to place an order. We have been assured these will be back in time for Christmas.

PTA

Would you like to take on a more active role in the Friends of St Hedda's?

Please contact enquiries@stheddas.npcat.org.uk

We are looking for members of our school community: parents, grandparents, extended family members who would like to help us to continue to give our pupils the best experience possible.

Christmas Performance - A Midwife Crisis

Please join us in the school hall for our nativity on Thursday 11th December at 2 p.m. All welcome.

Carols at St Hedda's Church

Family and friends are welcome to join us at 5pm on 17th December. All children, nursery - year 6 are invited to participate.

Non Uniform Day - Candles

Friday 5th December is a non-uniform day in school.

Please send in donations of white pillar candles (any size) in return to be used at our carol service.



Wraparound Care

Please remember to book clubs in advance by the Thursday for the following week and indicate approx. time of collection if you have booked for After School club. Thank you

FORTHCOMING DATES/EVENTS

DECEMBER 2025

Tue 9th - Dodgeball, Whitby

Thur 11th - 2 p.m. Christmas Performance

Mon 15th - 10.30 am Night Tree Forest School Session

Mon 15th - 1.30 p.m. Carol Singing at Shetland House

Tues 16th - p.m. Class 1 Panto Visit, Middlesbrough

Wed 17th - a.m. Class 2 Panto Visit, Scarborough

Wed 17th - 5 p.m. Carols in St. Hedda's Church

Thur 18th - Christmas Lunch

Fri 19th - Christmas Party

Fri 19th - Break up for Christmas holidays



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Mon 5th - PD Day, school closed.

Tues 6th - Children return to school