



*Highwood Round Up
December 2021*



Nursery



"When I touched it, it was cold and wet!"
Jenson

"I was the angel and I had a special message!"
Eva

"I was a beautiful angel and I did a dance."
Valentina-Rose

"I am Father Christmas and I need to deliver these presents."
Nate

One day we found some snow left from an overnight snowfall. It was perfect for making marks in with our fingers.



We worked hard to learn the songs for our Nativity and were so excited when our grown-ups came to watch!



We had lots of fun dressing up in Santa's Workshop! We wrote cards and lists and sorted out all of the presents.



We learned all about 2D shapes. We found out their names and used them to make pictures.



Reception

Christmas lunch!

We had our first Christmas lunch; we listened to Christmas music, pulled crackers and ate yummy food.



Our nativity

We worked hard to learn our songs and words for the nativity. We dressed up and let the grown-ups come and watch us on stage. It was so much fun!

Santa's workshop is open!

We have been busy practising wrapping up presents and dressing up as elves. We wrote Christmas lists and cards.





Year 1

I enjoyed singing 'Away in a Manger.' My picture that I coloured in was on the screen, it was the one with the golden pot! (Beatrix)



I loving the church. I liked it when they lit the advent candles to remember Jesus and God. (Brody)

We enjoyed playing 'God says' which is like 'Simon says'. (Lilly)

We read 'There's a Rang Tang in my Bedroom' by James Sellick. This highlighted the problems with palm oil. So we made some protest posters and then went on a protest around the school to make everyone aware of the issues. Did you know that 25 orangutans are killed everyday because their homes are being destroyed? Palm oil is found in lots of products found in your homes like shampoo, chocolate, crisps and toothpaste.

People should stop cutting down the rainforests to save the Orangutans. (Hok Ban)

We went on a trip to our local church. We were welcomed in and listened to the story of 'The Nativity'. We saw pictures, which we had helped to colour and heard poems written by children in KS2. We were given a lovely Christmas story book to take home and share with others.





'We had to copy the Victorian handwriting with the ink and quill, it was tricky.' - Ayla



Year 2

Have a wonderful christmas!



Within our 'London' topic we have learnt about Victorian London. The children spent an afternoon as Victorian school children, playing with old toys and writing in a scriptive font. They experienced writing with chalkboards, slate and quill and ink.



'I liked the noisy wooden toys.' - Lois



'I liked the cup and ball, it was hard to get it in!' - Leo

We have learnt about The Great Fire of London. The children created a fire picture using tearing, twisting, scrunching and layering techniques.



'It was fun because we got to tear different materials.' - Eva



Year 3



It was really fun and I really loved the meal we had - Sophie

Christmas Jumper Day



It was really hard but I didn't give up! - Grace

Stone Age trousers sewing



The trousers were really fluffy, they looked cool. - Robin



We used our knowledge of electricity and robots to make our own Bristlebots. We had to use a toothbrush head, a motor and a battery to make our Bristlebot move.



It was fun but it was very fiddly.

Christopher

The hard thing was trying to get things in the right order.

Maya

It was hard to hold the toothbrush while I sawed. I had fun doing it but it was not as easy as I thought.

Amalia

Christmas is coming!

We've been preparing for Christmas by writing a story about Santa's sleigh crashing into our school field! We've also recorded everyone reading the poem "Twas the night before Christmas", If you'd like to listen to us, visit our google classroom. We really enjoyed it.



My one turned out really good and it worked. We had to tape the metal bits of the wire to the cell.

Maxwell

Year 4



Year 5



In Maths, we used dienes to help us to divide numbers and check for remainders.

I enjoyed using my resources to make a rocket. It was fun!
Amelia

In year 5, we have been looking at the topic of Space in Science. We linked our D.T. to this to design and created some rockets. We thought carefully about the structure and different components we would need.

I found it fun to calculate the sums using the dienes.
Medina



We used Dienes to solve both multiplication and division problems. It helped me to understand re-grouping so much better!
Bethany





This term in P.E. we have been learning to play netball with Coach Joe.

Year 6

It was really good. I learnt that Jesus may have been born in a house. Christian



This term in Religious Education, we have been learning about Christianity. Mrs. Jordan from The Watford Trust taught us about the sacred meaning of Christmas.

I already play for a team outside school, but I really enjoyed playing with my friends from school. Layla

I really enjoyed the mini matches because you got to see how everyone played. Chloe



I thought it was interesting when she said "Christ" and "mass" were in Christmas, Thomas

