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 Responsibility and Respect  
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 Spirituality and Service

# Hilltop Junior School

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## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 8 December 2017  
 Newsletter No: 13

**Week Beginning: 11 December 2017**

**School Dinners**  
 Week 1

**Attendance w/beg:** 4 December 2017  
 Whole School: 96.27%  
 Class of the week: 3RL with 98.8%

### Upcoming Diary Dates

**December:**

- 8 Yr 3 visit to Hilltop Infant School  
 Christmas Play (dress rehearsal)
- 12/13 Lower School Christmas Production
- 14 Christmas Lunch
- 15 Last day of term

**January:**

- 2 Children return to school
- 15-19 Aspirations Week

3F: 95.77%	3L: 96.16%	3RL: 98.8%
4P: 94.24%	4PD: 96.89%	4S: 95.8%
5H: 96.37%	5LM: 96.16%	5RF: 97.53%
6B: 96.06%	6K: 93.79%	6MT: 97.39%

### Letters Home This Week

Revised menu for 12 & 13 Dec  
 Letter from OFSTED re visit (subsequently deferred)  
 Zones of Regulation letter

### Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumpers

Please remember that **Christmas dinner day is Thursday 14 December for those that have already ordered and paid.** All other children should ensure that they bring a packed lunch or are collected for home dinners.

We also invite children to wear a Christmas jumper on this day in place of their school jumper/cardigan.

### Menu for the New Year

Please find attached the menu for 2018 when the children return on the 2nd January. This has the relevant dates above each week. We will start the New Year on Week 1.

Please ensure that your child is aware of the choice on offer every day so that there is no confusion when placing their order with their teacher at registration.

### Lower School Christmas Productions

May we please remind those attending the above productions to arrive in good time as, due to the placement of the staging in the hall, **no latecomers can be admitted.**

Could we therefore ask that parents/carers arrive by 9.20 am for the 9.30 am start or 1.20 pm for the 1.30 pm start, depending on what you have booked. Your co-operation with the above would be much appreciated.

### Lost Property

Please note that any unnamed lost property will be disposed of at the end of term. Could we therefore ask that if your child has lost an item that they check the lost property boxes before the Christmas closure on the 15th December. Many thanks

### Soft Start

Following the successful introduction of a targeted soft start, this half term, we will be opening this up to all pupils from Tuesday 2nd January 2018. From 8.40 am every morning, children will not be on the playground before school, but will go straight to their classes. The bell will still sound at 8.47 am and lessons will begin, as normal, at 8.50 am. This will allow teachers to focus more on certain aspects of the curriculum throughout the year, such as handwriting, reading, spelling to ensure all pupils continue to make good progress with their learning. Your support is greatly appreciated in encouraging your children to come into school from 8.40 am.

