



Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to announce that our transition to accepting two year olds in Hummingbirds has been a joy! A lot of work went on over half term from the Lower Heath team to make sure the environment was ready; well done to everyone involved. This early integration into our school community will provide them with a strong foundation for future learning and development.

In our ongoing commitment to providing enriching educational experiences, our Kingfisher children embarked on a trip to the Blists Hill Victorian Town. This excursion was carefully planned to support and enhance our history curriculum. By immersing themselves in this authentic Victorian setting, our pupils gained valuable insights into life during that era, bringing their classroom learning to life in a tangible and memorable way.

Our One Voice representatives from year 6 have invited you to participate in Operation Christmas Child. This project offers our school community the opportunity to spread joy to children in need around the world by filling shoeboxes with gifts. I apologise for the short notice regarding this initiative; the decision to participate was recently made by One Voice. Despite the time constraints, I believe this presents a wonderful chance for our pupils to engage in an act of global kindness and generosity. At Lower Heath CE Primary, we strive to balance academic excellence with character development, and initiatives like Operation Christmas Child align perfectly with our ethos. It provides our pupils with a practical way to demonstrate compassion and to understand the impact they can have on others, even from afar.

As always, I am immensely proud of our pupils' enthusiasm for learning and their willingness to engage with new experiences. The trip to Blists Hill and the opportunity to participate in Operation Christmas Child are just two examples of how we are working to broaden their horizons and foster a sense of community, both locally and globally.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education. Your involvement is crucial in ensuring that every pupil at Lower Heath CE Primary has the opportunity to thrive and reach their full potential.

Helen Reynolds

Headteacher



CELEBRATION

Happy Birthday to:
 Evei-May, Reggie C and Archie S who celebrate their birthdays over half term.



AWARD WINNERS



Congratulations to this week's **Award winners**, who are:

Oscar, Willow, Reggie L, Ella-May



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **21st November:** Parents' evening
- **26th November:** SATs parents' workshops
- **2nd December:** Skylark Class Worship
- **3rd December:** Robin Class Worship
- **5th December:** Christingle with Rev Sue
- **9th December:** Kingfisher Class Worship
- **10th December:** Owl Class Worship
- **11th December:** EYFS / KS1 Nativity
- **13th December:** Christmas Fair
- **18th December:** Carol Service
- **20th December:** Break up



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We are excited to be launching our Speak and Shine project this half term. Here are the dates and names of the children who will be sharing their prepared reading/poem before Christmas.

Thank you for supporting your child to develop their speaking skills, which I am sure you agree, are incredibly important! I will be sending regular reminders to parents over this half term to allow you enough time to prepare. I will also resend the information letter so you are clear about what your child is to do. Please get in touch with your child's class teacher should you need any support with this.



Date	Skylark	Kingfisher	Owl
29 th November	Nancy	Arthur, Kimi	Kyle
6 th December	Finley G	Ben, Hattie	Dorothy
13 th December	Max	Elliot, Eli	Evie-May

Hi, I'm Emer Foxall, and I'm one of the Teaching Assistants in Skylark Class. I joined Lower Heath in September, and I've been so warmly welcomed into the school community—it already feels like home!

I'm originally from Ireland, and the children often ask me all sorts of questions about our different cultures and traditions, which I love to chat about with them. I moved to Shropshire in April last year with my family, who are part of the military community at RAF Shawbury. Before settling here, we spent a year in North-West Germany and three sunny years in Cyprus, which was an incredible experience.

I've been working as a Teaching Assistant for a while now, starting in Cyprus and then continuing in the UK at schools like the Wilfred Owen School and Hodnet Preschool. I absolutely love working with the kids here at Lower Heath, and I truly enjoy every part of my job, especially seeing how creative a lot of our children are!

At home, I've got four children myself, so we are always busy! We love getting outdoors—whether that's going for walks, gardening, and at the weekends you'll usually find me watching my children play football from the sidelines.



WORSHIP



This half term, we will be focussing on our Christian Value of thankfulness. Our Bible story linked to this value is 'The man who came back'. Follow this link to hear the story read beautifully by Arthur [The man who came back](#)

Our value of thankfulness reminds us to appreciate the blessings in our lives. It fosters positivity and gratitude, enriching our school community and personal growth.

