



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

5.12.25

Dear Families

This week has seen Christmas celebrations really get underway! The tree is up and decorated beautifully by some of the children. We must say a huge thank you to the Mattock family for donating it to us; we have loved the fresh Christmas tree smell too!

Mousehole Class and Allen Class have been baking with Aspens over the week. Festive biscuits and other seasonal treats have been whipped up, and a thank you to Claire and other Aspens staff for making this possible. Gwithian Class have made peppermint creams and very tasty they are too!

The final rehearsals for all the Christmas performances are underway and we can't wait to welcome you all in next week to watch. You are in for a treat, whichever performance/s you see.



Christmas Play Performances

If you are coming to an afternoon performance, you are welcome to take your child home after – and any other siblings in non-performing year groups. Please make sure that performers return to school at 4:45 pm for the evening performance, in their costume. Thank you.

Celebrations

We held our Friday Whole School Celebration Assembly today and it was lovely to share the news from each class with everyone and celebrate all the hard work together. All of our children make us very proud each week, and to gain this additional recognition is very special.

Class	Celebration	Achievement
Mousehole	Ezra	Eva
Longships	Flo	Levana
Pendeen	Josh	Jesse H
Gwithian	Rita	Molly
Carne	Millie	Jack
Lamorna	Beau	Ryan
Allen	Isaac	Rosen
Kenwyn	Prim	Aiden
Truro	Adam	Lara



My Personal Best Life Skills for next week are...

EYFS and KS1 – Honesty
KS2 – Self-belief

We will explore these life skills and link them to our ASPIRE values, encouraging their use in all our activities. You can read more about this here - [My Personal](#)

[Best - Youth Sport Trust](#) and here - [Mount Hawke Academy - Ethos, Aims & Values](#)

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Sports News

Yesterday, our gymnastics team represented MHA at the Richard Lander Cluster Gym Comp, performing their routines alongside other schools. Great work team – very impressive!

Science Challenge

This month we've got a festive theme! Remember to send in photos or videos to hello@mounthawke.org.

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RACING REINDEER

You will need

- * Cardboard (from a box or a piece of old packaging is ideal)
- * Scissors
- * Ramp

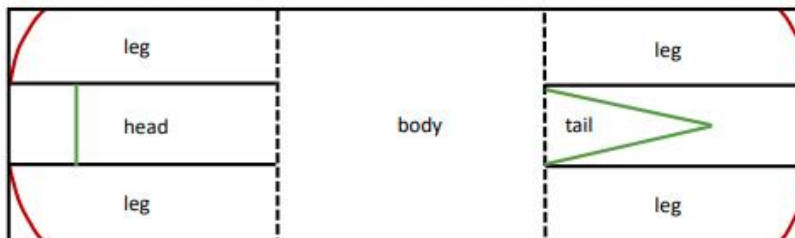
Use the template below to cut out your reindeer. Fold the four legs down and the tail and head up. Remember to cut the shape of its feet. If you want, draw a face on the head and cut out and stick on some antlers. You could give your reindeer a name too be as creative as you like!



Find something to use as a ramp – this could be a plank of wood, or a big book, or a chopping board – anything that is at least 30cm long and has a flat surface. Prop one end of your ramp on some books or a box, so that you have made a slope ready for your reindeer races.

Now see if you can get your reindeer to walk down the ramp!

It might not work first time – you may need to adjust the angle of the legs or its head and tail. Or your ramp might be too steep, or too shallow. **Be patient** and keep trying as it will work!



- Cut along solid lines
- Fold along dotted lines
- Cut along red lines to create angled foot shape
- Cut head and tail shapes along green lines

Why not get friends and family each making their own, and then have reindeer races?!

WHAT DO YOU NOTICE? Things to talk about ...

What difference does the size of the reindeer make?
Why not try a **HUGE** one? Or a **tiny** one?
What happens if you make the reindeer with longer legs? Or shorter legs? Or thinner or fatter legs?
What happens if the ramp is too high or too low?
Can you find out the best height for the ramp?
Does the reindeer keep walking on a really long ramp?
What if you change the surface of the ramp?
What difference does it make if you don't cut triangles off the ends of its feet? Or you cut off bigger ones?

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Recommended Read

This week's recommendation comes from Jess in Allen Class...

Tom Gates

Pesky Pets And PARTIES (Hopefully)

The book is about end of term school bond but will Tom's bond well Practice Another.

This book is very funny and I love the doodles in it. I love the 'oh no' express. She has worked really hard and it is fiction. This book is suitable for 6+ and up to 12+. Out of 5 stars it is 5 definitely.

Secrets of Liz Pichon!

The author of Tom Gates is Liz Pichon! Liz Pichon has sold million of copies of Tom Gates in 45 languages. All of her hard work payed off because she won a Blue Peter Book Award and won a Water stone book award.

Jessica C Shhh

tom



Christmas Post Box

Our school post box is open in school for the children to pop their Christmas cards to friends in. Our Year Six elves will deliver the cards each day. Please remember to put first and last names on the envelope along with the class.

Communications

Remember to use the email hello@mounthawke.org or phone 01209 890230 if you need to speak to one of us, let us know about something or share something with us. Miss Biddick is usually on the gate every morning and afternoon too.

All of us here at school would like to wish you a very happy and safe weekend.

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The calendar below will be updated as the year moves on...

MHA Calendar		
8 th December	Years One and Two - Baarmy Bethlehem– 1.30 pm & 5.00 pm	
9 th December	Years Five and Six – Peter Pan – 1.30 pm & 5.00 pm	
10 th December	Years Three and Four - Lights, Camels, Action 2 – 1.30 pm & 5.00 pm	
12 th December	Year R – The Nativity - 9.15 am & 2.00 pm	
15 th December	Open classrooms from 2.30 pm – 3.00 pm – share the children's learning from the year so far Mousehole Class from 1.30 pm – 3.00 pm	
19 th December	Christmas Jumper (non uniform) and Christmas Dinner Day	

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