



Mount Hawke Academy

Head of School: Miss C Biddick

12.12.25

Dear Families

We have had such a wonderfully festive week in school! The performances have been joyful and we are so proud of all the children for putting their hearts and souls into them. The confidence they have shown in standing on the stage and performing in front of everyone has been super to see. A huge thank you goes out to all the children for putting so much effort into this, to the staff for all the rehearsals and to all our families for supporting with the costumes and learning of lines. You were great audiences too!

A lot of baking has gone on again this week too, with Year Six finding out about Christmas foods and then designing and making mince pies, and Mousehole Class have been very busy making treats for their families too, all ready for their Christmas Story performances today.

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	Ia	Emily
Longships	Dot	Riley
Pendeen	Jude	Freddie
Gwithian	Millie	Ysella
Carne	Basil	Annie
Lamorna	Imogen	Jackson
Allen	Jude	Annie
Kenwyn	Tobie	Arthur
Truro	Elias	Seb



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

...revisiting all of the skills we have found out more about over this term.

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](#)

Sports News

Good luck to some of our footballers who are at an FA National Football Cup Competition today!

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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

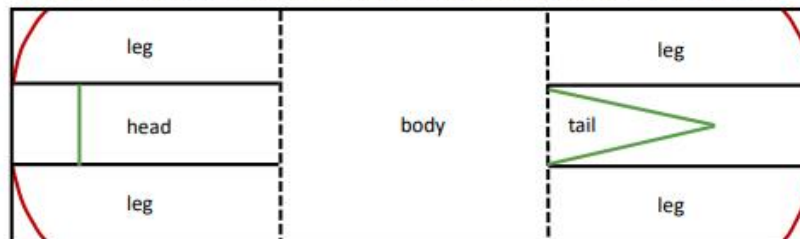
Use the template below to cut out your reindeer. Fold the four legs down and the tail and head up. Remember to cut the shape of its feet. If you want, draw a face on the head and cut out and stick on some antlers. You could give your reindeer a name too ... be as creative as you like!



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?



Recommended Read

This week's recommendation comes from Sylvie in Lamorna Class... I love Nausicaä of the Valley of the Wind! I like this book because of the illustrations and the little squirrel Tato. I like the way it starts from the back and that it is a little bit spooky!

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Christmas Post Box – Last Week!

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.

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

MHA Calendar	
Today!	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 Last day of school – normal end of school finish
5 th January	Staff Training Day – focus on curriculum
6 th January	Spring Term starts – everyone returns to school

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