



# Hulme Hall Grammar School

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## Pre-School Newsletter

December 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas!

The Kindergarten visit to St George's church was a wonderful way to start the festive season and the children were applauded on their singing and impeccable behaviour. Thank you to those of you who came along to support us and I hope it has whet your appetite for our forthcoming Nativity. A big well done once again to our little stars!



### Christmas Nativity

We would like to cordially invite you to watch our hugely anticipated Christmas Nativity, "What A Star" on Friday 13th December at 9.15am.

The production will last approximately half an hour and refreshments will be served in our dining hall prior to the show between 8.30am and 9.00am.

We can't wait to show you how hard the children have been working!



### Places in January

We are getting busy in Pre-School and look forward to welcoming more new children in January. If you require any extra sessions or would like to change sessions in 2020, please inform me by email.

Any children qualifying for funding must complete the relevant paperwork and submit your 11-digit code.

Mrs H Khinda, Head of Pre-School

### Christmas Lunch

Our Christmas lunch with all the traditional trimmings will take place on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December. If your child does not attend on a Wednesday but you would like them to join us for this event, please book them in for an extra session.

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### Keep Up to Date with Social Media

Have you liked our new social media pages yet? It is a great way to keep in touch with us and see all the activities and events that are happening in Pre-School. You can find us on:



Twitter @HulmeHallPreSch



Facebook @HulmeHallPreSchool



Instagram @hulmehallpreschool



There are plenty of opportunities for our Pre-School children to feel festive with our seasonal role play areas.

They are getting very good at wrapping presents and I am sure they would be more than willing to lend you a hand this year!



### The Gift of Christmas

We are delighted to have been approved as a drop off point for Mission Christmas once again.

Mission Christmas is the biggest toy appeal in the UK and aims to ensure that all children receive a Christmas present. Last year over 38,000 children received a present from the charity.

Please drop off new and unwrapped items for children aged between 0-18 years at the School Office by Friday 13th December.

### A Gentle Reminder

Our Pre-School day ends at 4.00pm and if your child is not collected, he/she will go into after school care which is charged at £7.00 per hour.

# ParentPay - Our New Online Payment Service

We are pleased to announce that we will shortly be accepting payments online for items such as school trips. Using a secure website called ParentPay you will be able to pay online using your credit / debit card or continue to make cash payments at PayPoint

What are the benefits to parents & pupils?	What are the benefits to our school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ParentPay is easy-to-use and will offer you the freedom to make online payments whenever and wherever you like, 24/7</li><li>• The technology used is of the highest internet security available, ensuring that your money will reach school safely – offering you peace of mind</li><li>• Payments can be made by credit/debit card or through PayPoint</li><li>• Full payment histories, balance alerts and statements are available to you securely online at anytime</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reduces staff time spent on collecting and counting cash, allowing them to focus on the education of the children</li><li>• Improves school security</li><li>• Using ParentPay also ensures that all financial transactions are safe and secure - helping us to remove costs associated with us having to manage cash securely on the school premises</li><li>• The more parents that use ParentPay, the greater the benefit to the School</li></ul>

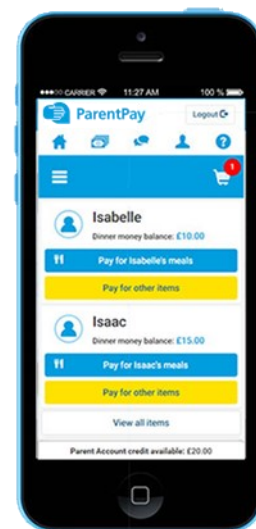
## How to get started with ParentPay

We will send you your account activation details. Once you receive these:



## Visit [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com)

- Enter your Activation username and password in the Account Login section of the homepage
- **NB. These are for one-time use only, please choose your own username and password for future access during the activation process**
- Provide all the necessary information and choose your new username and password for your account - registering your email address will enable us to send you receipts and reminders
- Once activation is complete you can go straight to Items for payment, select which item(s) you want to add to your basket and proceed to complete your payment



If you have any questions, please contact the School Finance Office. For more information, visit [www.parentpay.com/parents/](http://www.parentpay.com/parents/)