



THE HENRY HINDE HERALD

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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grow from
strong roots

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Welcome

Hello and welcome to our new look newsletter!

After speaking to our Junior Leaders, we agreed that the Newsletter needed to be more child-led and about what is going on in school. The newsletter will be coming out monthly and will be packed full of information about school, pictures of the children and their learning, staff profiles and events for the future.

A special thank you to Miss Swidryk, editor in chief, who has been instrumental in the development of the newsletter and has worked incredibly hard to get it together.

In other news, next week is our National Storytelling week and we are very excited about it!

Don't forget to pop along to our reading meeting for parents on Tuesday after school and to the Book Fair on Tuesday or Wednesday.

I hope you all have a great weekend and I look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Miss Nurse and Lola



From our Head Boy and Girl

Coming back after Christmas has been great! Everyone seeing all of their friends again has been extremely exciting and having a trampoline in school is so fun! We have had two classes that have had 100% attendance for the first time ever this school year, which meant they got extra time on the trampoline. We were lucky enough to have had Hunts Bookshop visit us and read each year a different story. They have brought in some books for us to keep and to help improve our reading. It has been a great start to 2023!



Attendance

Whole School Target:
96%

Every Monday, the class with the best attendance is revealed.

| | Whole School Attendance | Best Attendance |
|----------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 09.01.23 | 95% | 4 Cherry (100%) |
| 16.01.23 | 95% | 3 Maple (96%) |
| 23.01.23 | 92% | 6 Ash (100%) |

Reading Awards

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| School Word Total | 8,547, 179 |
|-------------------|------------|

| | Class Readers of the Week | Star Reader of the Week |
|----------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 13.01.23 | 3 Oak | Loki |
| 20.01.23 | 4 Willow | Ella |
| 27.01.23 | 4 Willow | Callum |

House Points



Pupil of the Week

The following pupils have been demonstrating our school values in all areas of their learning.
What superstars!

| | 13.01.23 | 20.01.23 | 27.01.23 |
|-----------|--------------------|----------|-------------------|
| 3Oak | Emil | Manaf | Kebba |
| 3Maple | Reegan-Rio | Evelyn | Ellora |
| 4Cherry | Scarlett and Megan | Sienna | Nico |
| 4Willow | Bella | Jacob | Praise |
| 5Sycamore | The Whole Class | Eli | Amelia |
| 5Birch | Bethany | Oskar | Aaliyah |
| 6Pine | Amelia | Mohammed | Tia |
| 6Ash | Mohammed | George | Riley and Charlie |



What else have we
celebrated in school?

A Karate Black Belt!



Swimming Awards!



A 50th Birthday!



Dates for your Diary

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---|---|
| 31.01.23 | Reading Workshop for Parents | |
| 31.01.23 01.02.23 | Hunts Spring Book Fair | |
| Week Commencing 31.01.23 | Storytelling Week |  |
| 08.02.23 |  Year 5 Trip to Harry Potter World | |
| 14.02.23 | Year 4 Trip to Mini Meadows | |
| 15.02.23 |  Year 5 Fire and Rescue | |
| Week Commencing 20.02.23 | HALF TERM |  |
| 27.02.23 |  Back to School | |
| 02.03.23 | World Book Day |  |
| 06.03.23 | Year 3 Trip to The Think Tank | |
| 07.03.23 | Year 5 Exhibition, 14:00-15:00 |  |
| 09.03.23 | Year 4 Exhibition, 9:15-10:15 |  |
| 10.03.23 | Year 6 Exhibition, 9:15-10:15 Year 3 Exhibition, 14:15-15:15 |  |

What's been happening in Year 3?



Year 3 have needed the help of "Mr Bony", Henry Hinde Junior's very own skeleton, for their work on finding how "How do we keep our bodies healthy?" They've been dancing up a storm, labelling body parts and using jelly to explore what our muscles are really like. Their exhibition will surely prove to be just as exciting!

What's been happening in Year 4?



As part of their PBL topic, "What is the role of food in our lives?", Year 4 made and tasted their own bread. The entire school smelt delicious! Will there be free tasters at their exhibition later this term? We certainly hope so!

What's been happening in Year 5?

Mixtures and Solutions



Filtering and Sieving



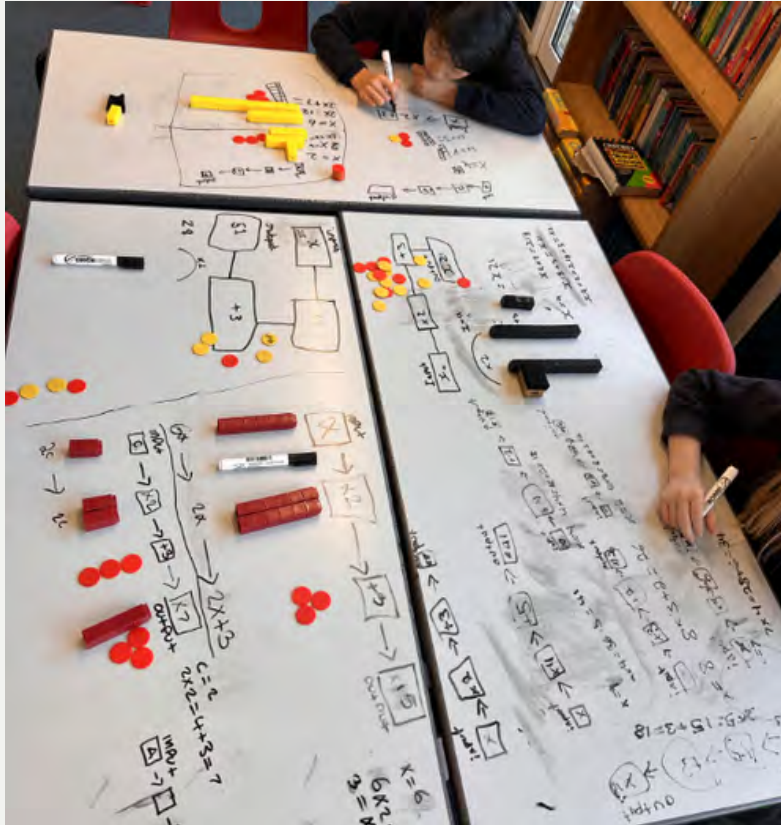
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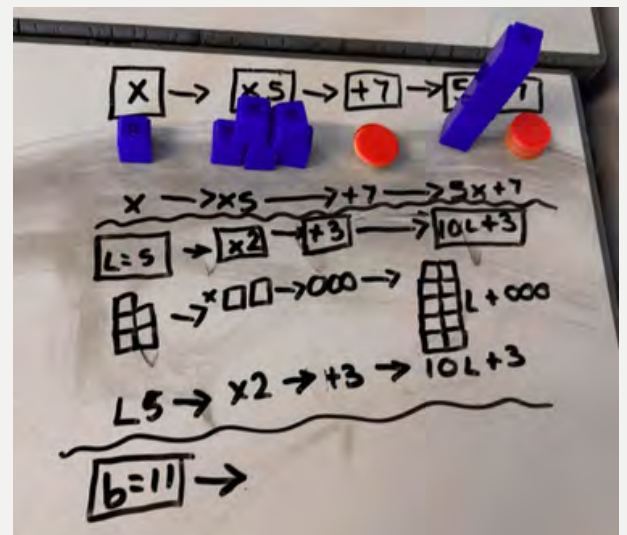
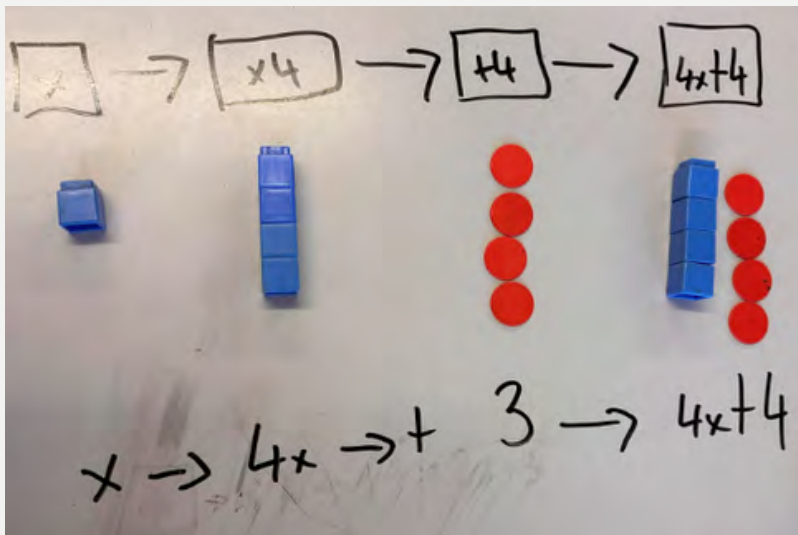
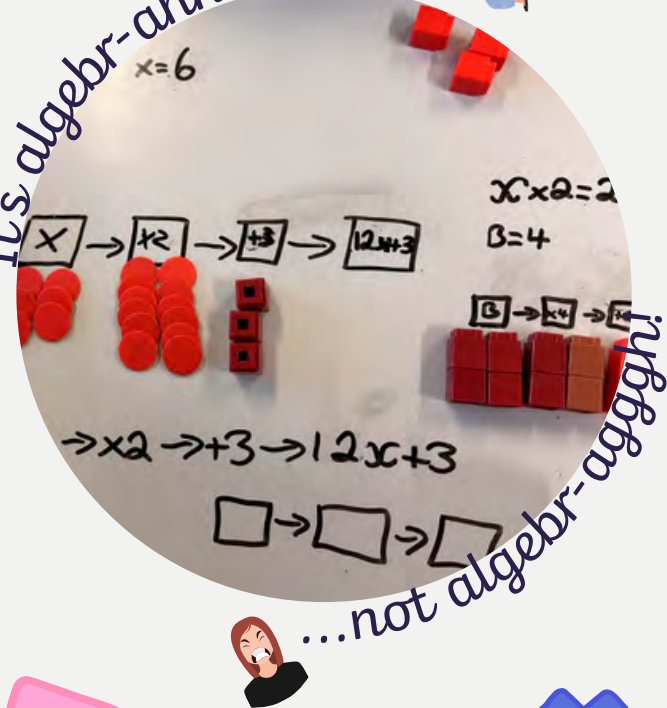
Year 5 have been busy conducting lots of exciting science experiments as part of their PBL topic, "How do you make magic real?" They have looked at filtration, soluble materials and something called Oobleck. It all sounds like something straight out of Hogwarts!



What's been happening in Year 6?



It's algebra-ahhhhhhhh



We already knew our Year 6's were brilliant mathematicians but this work is incredible! Miss Ison and Miss Spence have been really challenging the children and have been even more impressed than usual by their classes ability to rise to the challenge of algebra! Fantastic work Year 6 - super brains!

Bouncing Away!



Just before Christmas, our new trampoline was installed. January saw it's grand opening and all children were allowed on it for the first time.

Under the watchful eye of our very own 'Trampoline Queen', Mrs Parker, every class has taken a turn on a fortnightly rota system. Monday's are reserved for the class that had the best attendance the previous week.



I really look forward to our turn on the trampoline.

It's very bouncy!

It's fun!

I love it!

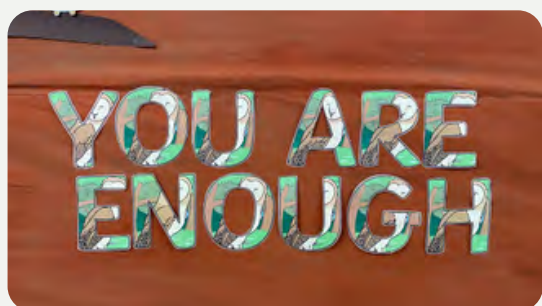




Elder Room

An oasis of calm in the hustle and bustle.

Mrs Tomlinson is always around if you need a chat.



You can showcase work you are proud of.



You can go there to play games with your friends.



You can take a break and do something mindful.

It has a lot of activities.

The affirmations inspire us.



On Tuesdays and Thursdays you can chat to our Peer Wellbeing Mentors.

Meet The Year 6 Team

6 Ash

Miss Ison

Science Lead

Q. Why did you want to become a teacher?

A. Lots of my family said I had the right characteristics to be a teacher when I was about 11 so it steered me towards this job.

Q. Why are you passionate about Science?

A. I love asking questions and finding or working out the answers.

Q. Why do you like working at HHJS?

A. The people! (That includes the children!) Everyone makes it fun.

Q. What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

A. Watching sport, baking and gardening.

Q. What is your favourite book or film?

A. Tricky one - there are so many!

Q. What is on your bucket list?

A. I'd love to watch cricket in Australia but I don't like flying.

Q. Tell us a fun fact about you:

A. I love a quiz.



Pick 3 words to describe HHJS:

fun
friendly
fabulous

Miss Peirce

Q. Why do you like working at HHJS?

A. I love working alongside so many outstanding members of staff to support some amazing and hard working students.

Q. What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

A. Reading and watching TV.

Q. What is your favourite book or film?

A. My favourite book is Fantastic Mr Fox and my favourite film is Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban.

Q. What is on your bucket list?

A. To go to Florida.

Q. Tell us a fun fact about you:

A. I am a huge Marvel fan!



Pick 3 words to describe HHJS:

positive
supportive
interactive



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6 Pine

Miss Spence

DT Lead



Q. Why did you want to become a teacher?

A. My teacher at Senior School went above and beyond to help me succeed and I wanted to do the same for others.

Q. Why are you passionate about DT?

A. It allows children and adults to build on their creativity and problem solving skills to design and make products that solve real and relevant problems.

Q. Why do you like working at HHJS?

A. The values and ethos of the school make it a friendly, happy and safe environment for all.

Q. What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

A. Spending time with friends and family, and visiting new places.

Q. What is your favourite book or film?

A. My favourite book is Mary Poppins and my favourite film is Legally Blonde.

Q. What is on your bucket list?

A. To travel the world in a campervan.



Q. Tell us a fun fact about you:

A. I was the first baby in Rugby to have their footprint taken for the new security system in hospitals. I had my picture taken for the newspaper.

Pick 3 words to describe HHJS:

warm
welcoming
wonderful

Mrs Roberts



Q. Why do you like working at HHJS?

A. It's never boring. The staff are lovely and supportive; I've met people who have become my friends and it is lovely to be part of a child's journey as they go through life.

Q. What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

A. Baking, cooking and talking to my family on the phone.

Q. What is your favourite food?

A. Mexican Burrito.

Q. What is on your bucket list?

A. To travel to the USA.



Q. Tell us a fun fact about you:

A. I am quite good at cutting hair.

Pick 3 words to describe HHJS:

inspiring
motivating
understanding



On Monday 23rd January, we were visited by Christopher and Rebecca of Hunts Bookshop. Rebecca read each year group a chapter of a book that Hunts had chosen especially for us! Afterwards, Christopher talked to us in assembly about his own passion for reading and how important a love of reading has been in his own life.

A HUGE thank you to Christopher and Rebecca for giving up their time to spend the morning with us. Hopefully we will see them again very soon!



Christopher, Miss Swidryk and some of our Reading Ambassadors.



Y5: Nevermoor: The Trials of Morrigan Crow



Y6: The Wizards of Once




Y3: BOOT small robot, BIG adventure



Y4: Toto the Ninja Cat and the Great Snake Escape




Hunts Book Fair
After School
31.01.23
01.02.23

Reading Workshop

Do you want to know more about how we teach reading at Henry Hinde Junior School?

Come along to our workshop after school on
Tuesday 31st January!

Children welcome!

Why not visit our Book Fair afterwards?



HHJS Car Park



A polite reminders for parents that our school car park is for staff only.

Whilst we are waiting for the gates to be fixed, we are having a number of parents and carers using the car park at pick up and drop off which is putting students at risk as they leave the school site.

Thank you for your co-operation and support with keeping all members of our school community safe.



Teacher Strikes



HHJS is not anticipating that there will be any disruption to school on any of the proposed strike days.

School will remain open as normal.

Should this change, we will endeavour to communicate with parents as soon as possible.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court recently reached a decision in the case of *Platt v Isle of Wight Council* which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time. The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent.

Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance can also result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council.

It is important to note, Fixed Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices in the amount of £120 each, totalling £240 for both children, this is reduced to £60 per child if paid within 21 days).

Where a Fixed Penalty Notice is not paid within the required timeframe as set out on the notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal proceedings under S444 Education Act 1996.

Fixed Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices.

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority

Warwickshire School pupils recorded 37,021 half day sessions of absence due to holiday in the Autumn/Spring terms 2021/22.



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