



THE HENRY HINDE HERALD

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
May 2023



Exciting Futures Grow
From Strong Roots





Welcome

Hello and welcome to May's newsletter. Once again, we have had a packed month with lots going on in school. Year 6 have been working really hard on their SATs tests and I know that we will be really proud of them when the results come in. As a special treat we took the children to Drayton Manor for the day. A huge thank you to our fabulous PTFA who contributed towards the cost of this trip! Some of our children visited Houlton school to watch their performance of 'School of Rock' which they really enjoyed. I am sure the students of Houlton have inspired our children to be future musical stars!

Next week is half term and I hope that you all manage to have a good break and enjoy the sunshine.

I can't quite believe we only have half a term left this academic year- it has flown by! I look forward to seeing you in June.

Miss Nurse

From our Head Boy and Girl

Lots has been happening in school during may and our highlight has to be the Coronation picnic to commemorate King Charles special and historic day. Our school picnic was a great start to the bank holiday weekend and the rain even held off for us too! Thank you for joining us.

We have launched a brand new school book club with Hunts Bookshop which will be fantastic for our readers and to encourage you to try lots of other books. Check out the book for your year group and be part of the book reviews. In Year 6 we have finished our SATS exams and we wanted to thank the whole school for being Respectful during the week by being quiet around our classrooms.

We have lots to look forward too including more school clubs to get involved in and finally, we only have one month to wait until a giant circus tent will be built on our school field for the community to enjoy. It will be a great experience!



Attendance

Whole School Target:
96%

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

	Whole School Attendance	Best Attendance
01.05.23	91%	Willow
08.05.23	93%	Maple
15.05.23	94%	Sycamore & Pine
22.05.23	86%	Pine

Reading Awards

School Word Total	18, 743, 961
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	Class Readers of the Week	Star Reader of the Week
05.05.23	Cherry	Stephen
12.05.23	Oak	Alexander
19.05.23	Birch	Kayla
26.05.23	Ash	Desire

House Points

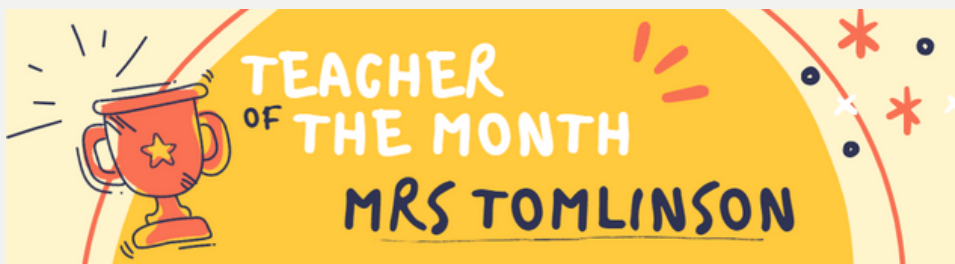


Pupil of the Week

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

	05.05.23	12.05.23	19.05.23	26.05.23
3Oak	Ethan & Cooper	Harry	Ayla	Olha
3Maple	Kylah	Varshan	Adam	Regan & Gracie
4Cherry	Joshua	Jasmine	Kevin	Charlie
4Willow	Logan	Thalia	Samanta	The Whole Class!
5Sycamore	Mason	Mariah	Alfie	Gracie
5Birch	Harry & Toby	Alex	Vikishan	Lana
6Pine	Sif	Pippa	Jack	Sahasra
6Ash	Adwika	Evie	Luca	Naomi

Teacher Of The Month



What else have we celebrated?

Our school is FULL of superstars! This is what they have been up to in April and May.



Coventry Mascot



Green Muay Thai Belt



Rugby Tournament



Cheerleading



Circus Competition - Runner Up



Circus Competition - Runner Up



Circus Competition - Winner



Cheerleading



Yellow Muay Thai Belt



Swimming Certificates



Football Tournament



She shoots! She scores!

Earlier this month, Mrs Hone and her team, Queen's Warriors, won RANA Division 3.

They celebrated their win at a presentation evening where they were all awarded with medals and a shield.

Before they were able to dance the night away, they had to decorate their own table...and they won first prize!

A huge well done to Mrs Hone and her teammates - we are so proud of you!

Fun Fact: this year marks 40 years of the RANA league and Mrs Hone has played in it since Day 1!





Dates for your Diary

26.05.23	End of Term
05.06.23	Back to School
20.06.23	New to Year 3 Parent Meeting - after school
21.06.23	New to Year 3 Parent Meeting - morning Year 3 Trip to Coombe Abbey
22.06.23	Year 4 Exhibition - 9:15am Year 6 Exhibition - 2pm
23.06.23	Happy's Circus!
26.06.23	Year 3 Exhibition - 9:15am Year 5 Exhibition - 2:25pm
Week Commencing 03.07.23	Transition Week
11.07.23	Sports Day
12.07.23	Year 6 Performance - evening
13.07.23	Sports Day (Contingency) Year 6 Performance - afternoon
14.07.23	Reports Out
21.07.23	Leavers Assembly - 2pm (Year 6 Parents Only)

Transition

This year, we have worked closely with Henry Hinde Infant School to plan a detailed transition. If your child is in Year 6, further information will come out about additional plans at their new secondary schools.

Tuesday 3rd of July

Future Year 3's	HHIS Staff to walk them to HHJS and collect them at 11:30am
Future Year 4, 5 and 6's	Collaborative Project with your new teachers!
Future Year 7's	Collaborative Project in school

Wednesday 4th July

Future Year 3's	At HHJS all day! 8:45-3:15pm
Future Year 4, 5 and 6's	Collaborative Project with your new teachers!
Future Year 7's	Off to your new schools for the day!

Thursday 5th of July

Future Year 3's	Parents to walk them to HHJS and HHIS staff collect them at 11:30am
Future Year 4, 5 and 6's	Collaborative Project with your new teachers!
Future Year 7's	Collaborative Project in school



AMAZING ELLORA

Earlier this month, our own superstar, cheerleading athlete Ellora returned from her trip to Florida for The Cheerleading Worlds competition. She often makes an appearance in the newsletter for her cheerleading skills, so we couldn't wait to find out how she'd gotten on this time!



Q. What is your cheerleading team called?

A. My team is called Quicksilver at Coventry Tribes. We are all named after Marvel teams.

Q. What position are you in the team and what skills do you need?

A. I am a front spot and base. We had to work really hard as a team to qualify for the competition and to go to Worlds, we needed to work with a fully qualified American choreographer. Some of the stunts can be dangerous so it requires a lot of focus to make sure nobody falls over and gets injured.

Q. What was the competition like?

A. When we were backstage, we didn't do a full out before our first round. A full out is when you rehearse with the music; we just had to go straight on! We did do a full out before the second round though. The audience was bigger for the first round and it was overwhelming...but when we got on stage, we felt ready. The whole performance was shown on live TV and my whole family got together at home to live-stream it. I'm the youngest on my team and we came 28th out of around 100 teams. The Worlds number ones are called 'Jolly Ranchers' after the sweets.

Q. What words would you use to describe your experience?

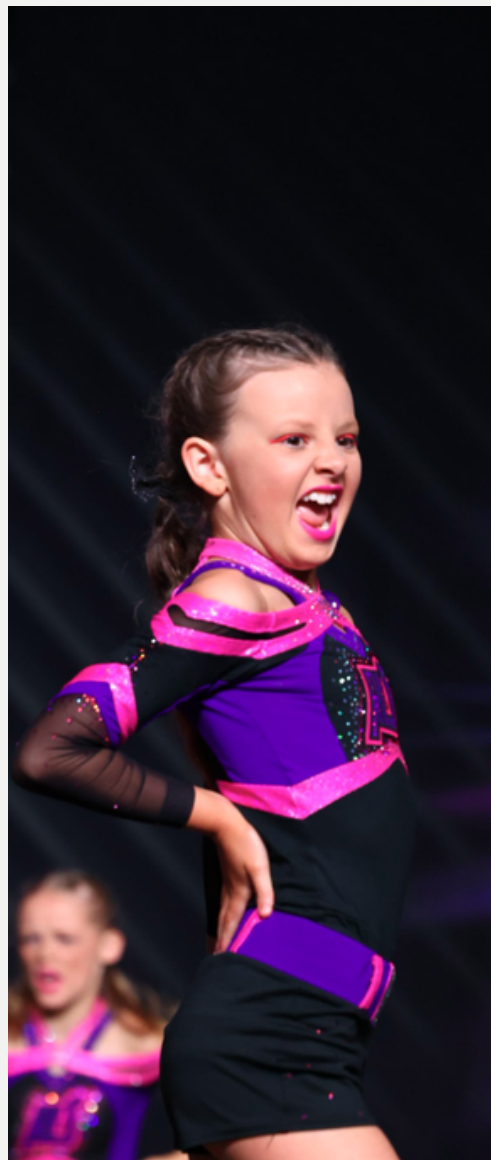
A. fun, exciting, fabulous, amazing, extraordinary...and BIG!

Q. So, Ellora; what's next?

A. I'd like to join other youth teams and enter more competitions. When I'm older, I'd like to be part of the adult teams and maybe after that, become a coach.



WORLD'S SCRAPBOOK



Hunt's Children's Book Club



We are very excited to be part of Hunt's Children's Book Club, a book club which combines storytelling, half-termly book recommendations and the opportunity for young people to express their thoughts and feelings about books through discussions and written reviews. The aim is to introduce young people to a diverse and exciting range of new titles, whilst providing support for parents to work towards reading goals with their children.

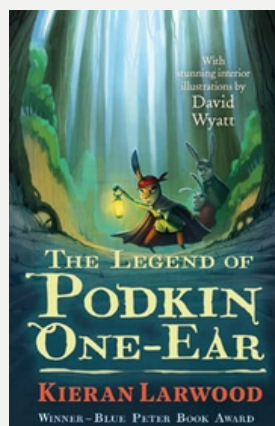
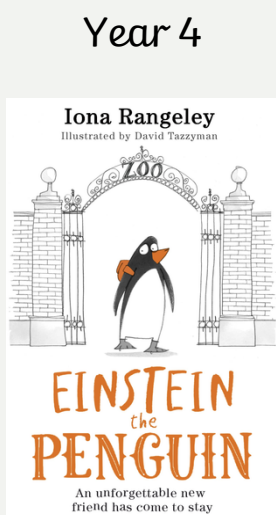
We are the first school in Rugby to take part, with Rebecca visiting us earlier this month to share and extract from each book and to talk us through how we take part...we are all very excited!

Further information on the book club, including the books for each year group and how to take part, can be found on our school website:

<https://www.henryhindejunior.co.uk/parents-2/hunts-childrens-book-club/>



Year 3



Year 5

Year 6



School of Rock

A selection of children who took part in the Easter Book Hunt and the Reading Ambassadors travelled to Houlton this week to watch their performance of 'School of Rock'.



"I enjoyed the loud music and the different characters. I also enjoyed the end of the performance because we all joined in! I loved all of it! Thank you Houlton pupils and staff for organising it. I hope we see you again soon."

Bethany



"I enjoyed seeing all the characters try their best and that they were very pleased with themselves. I also enjoyed that at the end of the performance, we got to join in with all the teenagers and dance together."

Ava



Easter Book Hunt

Over the Easter Holiday's the Reading Ambassadors set the school a Book Hunt challenge. Children had twenty different books to find and take a selfie with. We had over 30 children who took part.

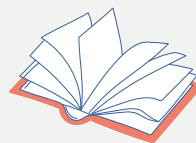
All children who took part were given a certificate and given the opportunity to visit Houlton to watch their performance of 'School of Rock'.

Prizes:

£10 book voucher for finding all the book titles	Robin and Abby
£5 book voucher for their enthusiasm and collaborative work	Loki, Eli and River

I enjoyed going to the library and searching for all the books in alphabetical order. I also got to get some new books with my library card!

Sophia



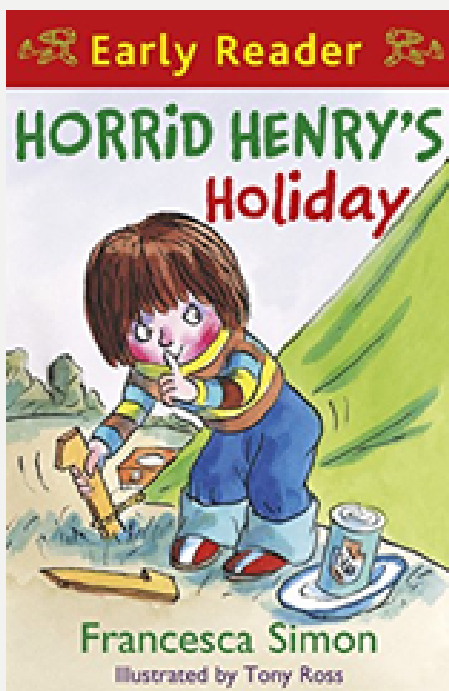
I enjoyed discovering books I thought I never had!

Betsy



Reading Ambassador Book Review

Title:	Horrid Henry
Author:	Francesca Simon
Illustrator:	Tony Ross
Recommended age:	6-11 years
Fiction/Non-fiction:	Fiction
Genre:	Fantasy fiction
Themes:	Humour
What is the book about?	The book includes four short stories about Horrid Henry's adventures.
What was your favourite part?	My favourite story was the fourth one because the family go on holiday camping and the tent collapses. The illustrations in the book are funny too!
Would you recommend the book?	Yes definitely
Rating out of 5?	4/5



This review was written by Belle!





From the HHJS Garden



This month, we harvested the first vegetables from our courtyard vegetable garden: radishes!

During Science Week, Miss Ison tasked each class with planting a vegetable of their own. In amongst the peas, potatoes and strawberries, it was 6 Pine's radishes that emerged first!

On one of the first sunny days of May, Miss Ison and some keen Year 6 gardeners harvested and tried our home-grown goods. We can't wait to see what is ready to try next! Watch this space!



It was
crunchy!

I'd never
tried one
before.

They were
spicy!

(This is Francine the Frog who lives in the courtyard!)





Celebrating The King's Coronation

05.05.23



On Friday 5th May, children from Henry Hinde Infant School, along with parents and carers, joined us at Henry Hinde Junior for a picnic to celebrate King Charles' coronation.

Despite a last minute change of plans because of the wet weather, we had a wonderful time. It was great to see all the children in red, white and blue, and to see all the amazing people in our school community get together.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended, made cakes or ran stalls. What a way to celebrate this historical event!



Two of our own HHJS Entrepreneurs set up their own stand selling handmade jewelry and hairbands. They managed the stall themselves all afternoon and raised nearly £170 for school! A huge well done, girls!







The Botanical Gardens



This half term, Year 5 visited The Botanical Gardens in Birmingham. They took part in a teaching session which demonstrated how things could be made from materials found in the rainforest and they also learnt about the indigenous people who live there. They even got to handle some animals, including an African land snail, a corn snake, a bearded dragon and a hissing cockroach!

After all that, they were then able to explore the tropical and sub-tropical environments. We can't wait to see how this visit will help them to answer their PBL big question: Can we save the world's lungs?

Meet The Year 4 Team

4 Willow

Mrs Evans

English Lead

Q. Why did you want to become a teacher?

A. When I was younger, I used to go and help the children in my mum's school and I really enjoyed it, which inspired me to become a teacher.

Q. Why are you passionate about English?

A. I love reading and enjoy enable others to share my love for it!

Q. Why do you like working at HHJS?

A. I enjoy being part of a big school family who look after each other.

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

A. Going on adventures with my little girl and singing!

Q. What is your favourite book or film?

A. Harry Potter or Stickman (if I'm reading with my little girl!)

Q. What is on your bucket list?

A. To parachute from a plane!

Q. What is your favourite food?

A. Chocolate!

Q. Tell us a fun fact about you:

A. I performed in Songs of Praise!

Pick 3 words to describe HHJS:

friendly
fun
safe



Mrs Clarke

Q. Why do you like working at HHJS?

A. I like working here because there is such a friendly, positive atmosphere and because I find the enthusiasm of both staff and children inspiring.

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

A. Reading and exploring the countryside with family and friends.

Q. What is your favourite food?

A. Paella.

Q. What is your favourite book or movie?

A. The Bible is my favourite book and my favourite movie is Anne of Green Gables.

Q. A fun fact about you:

A. I'm a newbie to Rugby! I'm from Hampshire.

Pick 3 words to describe HHJS:

welcoming
supportive
positive



Meet The Year 4 Team

4 Cherry

Miss Bainbridge

Q. Why did you want to become a teacher?

A. I've always wanted to be a teacher. My favourite game was taking the register when I was little. My Grandma's and Aunty are both teachers too.

Q. What subject are you passionate about and why?

A. I love my maths - I found it tricky at school so it's nice to be able to teach it now in different ways so that children can understand it.

Q. Why do you like working at HHJS?

A. It feels like a little (bit of a crazy) family.

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

A. Going to new places with my son, Bailey.

Q. What is your favourite book or film?

A. The Lion King and The Greatest Showman.

Q. What is on your bucket list?

A. To feed an elephant and be a zookeeper for a day.

Q. Tell us a fun fact about you:

A. I used to play netball for Warwickshire and I love art.



Pick 3 words to describe HHJS:

happy
safe
fun

Miss Peirce

Q. Why do you like working at HHJS?

A. I love working alongside the fabulous staff and students. There's always lots of smiles in HHJS.

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

A. I love going for walks with the daughter and my dog.

Q. What is your favourite food?

A. Jacket Potato!



Q. What is on your bucket list?

A. To visit Iceland and see the Northern Lights, and to go to Harry Potter World.

Q. What is your favourite book or movie?

A. I favourite film is Hotel Transylvania.

Q. A fun fact about you:

A. I am one of 5 sisters!

Pick 3 words to describe HHJS:

fun
busy
friendly

Meet The Year 4 Team

Specialist Teaching Assistants

Mrs Thevananth



Q. Why do you like working at HHJS?

A. The staff are very friendly and supportive. we are all like a family and I love to support all the children in their education.

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

A. Spending time with my family and playing with my children. Also baking and cooking.

Q. What items are on your bucket list?

A. The visit Singapore and some lovely countries.

Q. What is your favourite book or film?

A. I like all books with a good story!

Q. What is your favourite food?

A. My all time favourite food is Italian Pizza and Biryani.

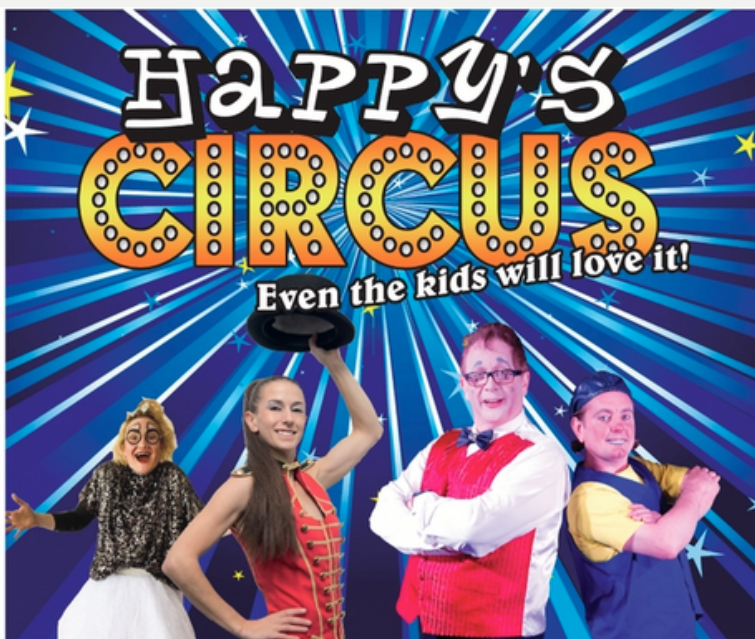
Q. Tell us a fun fact about you:

A. I am quite good at Badminton!



Pick 3 words to describe HHJS:

safe
kind
inspiring

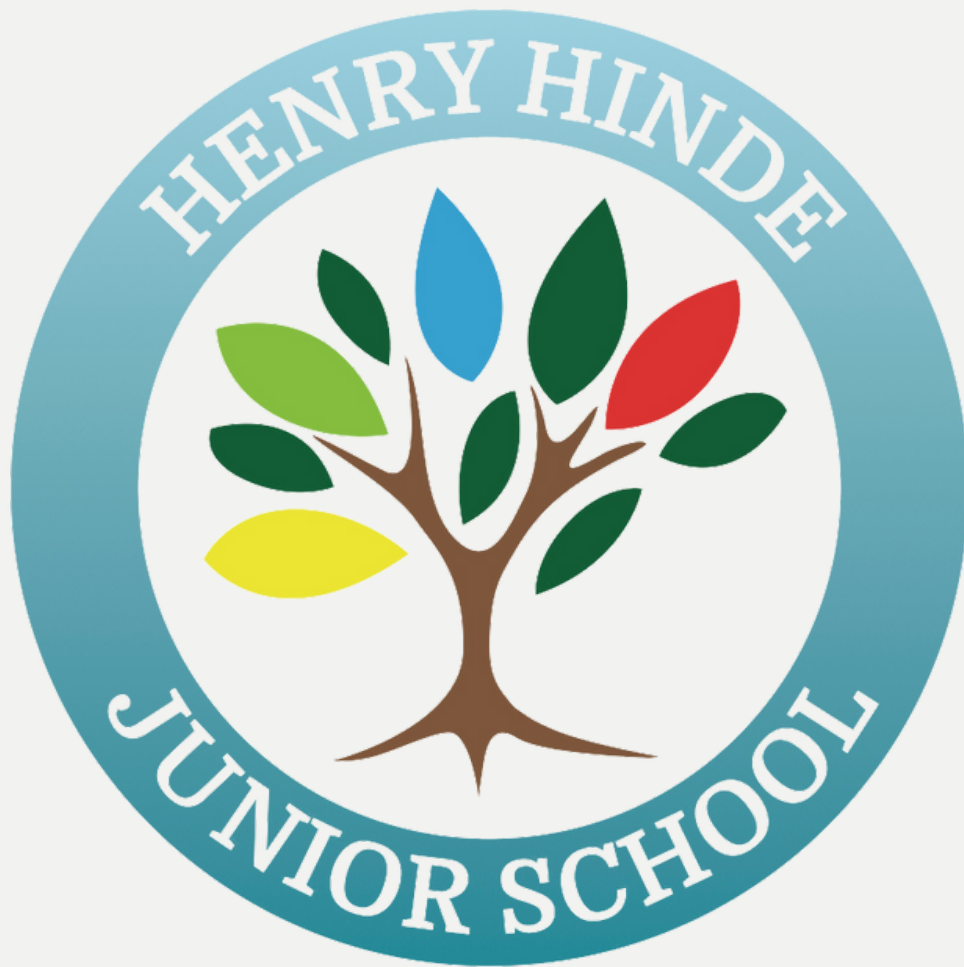


The Circus is coming to HHJS!

Happy's Circus @ Henry Hinde
Friday 23rd June 2023

Tickets Available:

<https://friends-of-henry-hinde-infant-school.sumupstore.com/>



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