

Friday 21st May 2021

Message from Mrs Hopkins:

Dear Families,

Another fantastic day on Monday with our Eid Celebration Day. We all had so much fun dressing up and partying in the afternoon! The outfits ranged from traditional Eid clothes, super stylish casual clothes, beautiful party dresses to dressing up costumes including Aladdin and Belle! Anything went and it was such a lovely time. We will definitely be doing it again!

We have had a steady flow of parents coming to view the Relationship, Health & Sex Education curriculum resources. Thank you for all the questions, suggestions and healthy discussions that have taken place. As always, it is great to work in partnership with you. Some parents have been unable to come into school so we have now added them to the Student Teams for viewing purposes only. Please do not download, print or share with anyone due to copyright laws. Please ensure all comments are put in writing by **Friday 28th May.**

Don't forget we have the first Friends of Henhurst Teams meeting on **Tuesday 25th May at 6:30pm.** Please do tune in to share ideas for community and fundraising events or just a chance to get to know some of the other parents. It's on the Student Share Team or you can join using this link:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/j/meetup-join/19%3a7efaa174481b40419e42c3d05022f951%40thread.tacv2/1621542955845?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%227c2b6a10-04cc-48b4-b7d1-df5014e5d734%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%2239f68413-bb7a-49fe-a7d1-d363c67edc68%22%7d>

Hope to see you there!

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Mrs Hopkins & The Henhurst Ridge Family

Nursery: This week in Nursery, the children have learned about orchestras as they listened to Handel's Water Music and used actions to play along with the different instruments and move to the music. We have also enjoyed cloud spotting on the field when the rain allowed!

Reception: This week in Reception, the children have started their new Talk 4 Writing unit on instructions. We have rehearsed and acted out instructions for making bread. Next week, we will innovate our instructions, and then follow them to actually make the bread.. yummy! In maths we have been learning all about doubling. We struggled with this at the beginning of the week, but we are now experts!

Year One: This week in Year One we started our new T4W text - All About Iron Man! This is a non-fiction fact file and the children have made an excellent job at learning the actions to the story map. In Geography this week, Year One learned how to use compasses and learned how to navigate ariel maps.

Year Two: This week Year Two have begun to rehearse the story map for a fact file 'All About England'. In Computing, they have programmed the Dash robots to move forward, turn and speak. In Art, we have been developing our sketching skills by drawing a self portrait. In Maths, we have been investigating flat and curved surfaces and straight or curved lines. On Monday, we had a great afternoon at our Eid party!

Photographs: Please let us know if you have not received your school photographs yet and we will chase this up with Tempest.

New Reception Parents' Meeting: It was so lovely to meet so many of our new Reception pupils and parents on Wednesday evening. Although many of them are already known to us as so many are our very own 'Little Harriers'! We look forward to the upcoming induction events - hopefully all in person!!

Little Harriers: We are taking applications for next academic year now so please do enquire or apply if you require a place. We are hosting some free 'Stay & Play' sessions on **Monday 21st June, Tuesday 22nd June & Thursday 24th June.** Each session will be between 1:30pm & 2:30pm. Please contact the school office if you would like to book a place. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook: @LittleHarriersHenhurstRidge

Home reading: We've seen an increase in the amount of children reading at home but we'd love to see even more reading at home. Please try and fit in 15 minutes everyday and don't forget to record in your Reading Diary. Thank you so much!

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It's a boy! Miss Jack's baby finally arrived 10 days later than planned on Tuesday 18th May. Benjamin Charles weighed in at 8lb 6oz and mother and baby are doing well. Huge congratulations to Miss Jack and her partner Rob. They are over the moon! We can't wait to meet him and get him enrolled at Little Harriers!



Georgia Gough School of Dance: Georgia's dance school has restarted and offers ballet classes on a Tuesday after school. Please contact Georgia on 07960 883313 for more details.

A warm welcome & a fond farewell: A huge Henhurst welcome to Lily who has joined us in Year Two this week. It is so nice to have another friend at our school. We also have to say a fond farewell to Esmè (Y2) and Noah (YR) as they jet off to live in Dubai! We are going to miss them so much. They have only been with us for a few months but have made a huge impression on our school community. We wish them every happiness and success for the future! Make sure you keep in touch!

Harrier Award: The Harrier Value for this half term is Innovation. The staff will be looking for children that are thinking of new ideas or trying different ways of doing something to solve a problem. Read on to find out who was given the Harrier Award this afternoon in our virtual assembly.

Congratulations to the following children:

Class	Name	Reason
Nursery	Elijah	Elijah showed great innovation as we explored different ways to travel through water while making changes to the rhyme 'Row your boat'. Elijah decided that we should travel on a hover flyer that would move 'super fast' rather than just gently!
Reception	Harry	Harry showed great innovative skills when using construction materials to construct his own dinosaurs!
Year 1	Jessica	Jessica for using innovation skills in choosing time with making beautiful cards!
Year 2	Leo	Leo has shown super effort with his learning and has a positive attitude this week. A super week Leo, well done!

Please see key dates for the rest of the academic year after half term.

Monday 31 st May - Friday 4 th June - Half Term Holiday		
Monday 7 th June	INSET DAY	Children not in school, staff attending Talk for Writing training.
Friday 16 th July	Sports Day	All afternoon
Monday 19 th July	Reserve Sports Day in case it rains	All afternoon
Tuesday 20 th July	Move up Morning!	Children spend the morning in their new class!
Wednesday 21 st July	End of year Picnic on the Field	12pm - all welcome.
Thursday 22 nd July - Tuesday 31 st August 2020 - Summer Holidays		
Wednesday 1 st September & Thursday 2 nd September: INSET DAYS		