

Newsletter 6 - Friday 19th October 2018

Dear Families,

Another busy week full of practising our songs for the Harvest Festival next week, learning our new sounds, enjoying dressing up in role play costumes and riding our balance bikes - the helmets arrived this week! It's been so lovely watching the children play on them at lunchtimes, especially with the weather being so nice towards the end of the week. As we're outside playing, pheasants strut pass on the field that runs alongside the MUGA and we are reminded again how lucky we are to have such a super school in the most beautiful setting. You will have probably noticed the green rubber crumb surface that was laid yesterday and looks brilliant. The children had a great time watching it being laid:



Photographs just like these and children's work are being uploaded to Twitter all the time so please do follow @HenhurstRidge

We're very much looking forward to welcoming you next week for two events: Parents' Consultation (you should now have had a text with your appointment time) and our Harvest Festival. As mentioned in the letter about Parent Consultation, please do your best to try and find child care for your child during this time so that you are able to fully engage in the meeting. We appreciate that those appointments directly after school are more difficult to accommodate this so myself and Mrs Dennis will help look after children in this instance.

Apologies for any confusion caused when the Harvest Festival date was changed a few weeks ago. It is on **Wednesday 24th October at 2:30pm**. The children are very excited to show you what they have been learning and are very enthusiastic during rehearsals. I expect they may be a little shy on the day but we will do our best to wow you with all that they have learnt in the very short time they have been at school. Please send any non-perishable donations in any time

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next week and we will make a lovely harvest display with it before sending it to the YMCA after the event.

After half term, we will be hosting our first Macmillan Coffee morning on **Friday 9th November**. Please do invite friends and family to this event. There will be an opportunity to tour the building as we will have full occupancy and then we will have a chance to get together, have a cup of coffee and cake and raise some money for a fabulous cause. Please do support it.

Please see a reminder of the upcoming dates for the rest of the Autumn Term:

Date	Event	Additional information
Mon 22 nd & Tues 23 rd Oct	Parent Consultations	Please see text message for your allocated time.
Wednesday 24 th October	Harvest Festival Celebrations	2:30pm
Friday 26 th October	INSET DAY	Children not in school
Mon 29 th -Fri 2 nd November	Half term	
Monday 5 th November	Children back to school	
Friday 9 th November	Macmillan Coffee Morning	9am in hall, includes a tour of the school.
Tuesday 13 th November	Individual school photographs	Super smart hairstyles!
Thursday 15 th November	Phonics Information Sessions	2pm & 5:30pm
Friday 16 th November	Children in Need Fun Day	Children wear their own clothes for £1 for charity
Wed 21 st November	Open day for prospective parents for 2019 Intake.	9:30-11 & 1:30-3pm
Thursday 22 nd November	Open evening for prospective parents for 2019 Intake.	5:30-7pm
Friday 30 th November	Class assembly for parents	2:30pm
Friday 14 th December	Christmas performance	2pm
Friday 21 st December	'Save the Children' Christmas Jumper Day	Wear a Christmas Jumper for £1 donation to charity

Don't forget that next Friday is an INSET day so children will not be in school that day.

There are 5 INSET days every academic year and these are put aside for training days for the staff.

Please see below our new exercise books that the children will be working in and the gold one is for Home Learning. We know the children will do their best work in here.



Wishing you a wonderful weekend, Mrs Hopkins.

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