Newsletter 3 – Friday 20th September 2019

Little Harriers

Dear Families,

The Little Harriers are settling into nursery life beautifully and starting to form some lovely friendships. It's great to see their confidence and independence grow. You may have been given a demonstration of 'magic coat' at home as they have been given a few hints and tips on supporting their independence in the cloakroom!

<u>Harrier Award</u>: As you are already aware, Henhurst Ridge celebrates a different Harrier Value each half term. Each Friday, Mrs Blackshaw and Mrs Buckley will chose a child from nursery who has demonstrated the Harrier value that we are currently working on. As an additional treat, the chosen child will take home our Hen Harrier chick mascot for the weekend!

The children have come up with lots of ideas for a name for our mascot and took a vote this week to decide on their favourite. We are pleased to announce that Birdie the Hen Harrier will be going home with this week's Harrier Award winner. We are sure there will be lots of adventures ahead for Birdie as he visits your homes. Please let us know- we would love to see pictures and see what he has been doing!

This half term's value is 'Everyone working together' and this week the award has been given to Archie Shorthouse for getting along and playing with everyone, as well as being great at tidying up! Well done Archie - we can't wait to see what fun Birdie has at your house this weekend!

<u>Nursery's Dates for your diaries</u>: Key dates for the academic year for Nursery will follow soon including our stay and play mornings, Christmas events and much more.

<u>Eco-Schools - Silver Award</u>: This week the school was so excited to receive our Silver Award to recognise our work towards a sustainable lifestyle. We really are brilliant at recycling and composting at this school! We're already well on the way to gaining enough evidence for our Green Flag which is the highest award you can receive. Meanwhile, Mr Parker has been busy making some containers to store our Eco books in - see below. He has separated them into the ten different Eco areas. If you have any books that relate to any of these areas or see any when you are out and about, we would love to add them to our growing collection!

We were also grateful to receive a donation of fruit trees for our fruit orchard from Argos yesterday; we are so fortunate to have such great links with our local community businesses! Watch our orchard grow!

<u>**Parking:**</u> Just a quick reminder about not reversing onto our neighbour's drives. There are lots of places to turn around further up Henhurst Ridge. Also, please do not park over driveways even if someone is still in the car. Finally, there has been an increase in litter in the local area. Next week, we will be reminding the children of the importance of not littering. It would be great if you could reinforce this at home too. Many thanks for your support with this.

With very best wishes for a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Blackshaw & Mrs Hopkins

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The 10 Eco Topics are:

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- Energy
- Litter
- Marine Life
- School Grounds
- Transport
- Water
- Waste
- Biodiversity

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