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Dear Families,

'Feel Good Friday!' Another fantastic day today! A huge thank you to Burton Albion Community Trust who gave us two such brilliant sessions - I was exhausted! It was so brilliant to see the children having such a great time and what dance moves they have! It was also lovely to see younger siblings joining in too! There have been lots of other great activities happening today - have a look at the photograph below of the delicious healthy plate of food Atlas in Reception Class made this morning - it's made me feel very hungry!

The 100 laps launch also went really well. Please find link below for you to let us know when your child completes their 100 laps and we can see what our grand total of laps will be! We're aiming for 10,000! If they could aim to complete it by **Monday 22nd February**, that would be great!
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=EGorfMwEtEi30d9QFOXNBOE9jl6u5Jp9HTY8Z-3GhUREpVVzNDOE9UMVA5NjBBWDhCU0tJN05LVi4u>

Please also see the Just giving page link here too if you haven't had a chance to share it or support it yet. <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/henhurstharriers>

There has also been a lovely write up about it in The Burton Mail today. Please click on the link below if you've not yet seen it:
<https://www.staffordshire-live.co.uk/news/burton-news/captain-tom-honoured-children-henhurst-4994440>

The week after half term's Feel Good Friday theme is 'Creative Arts': The teaching staff will again share with you on Seesaw or Tapestry the activities in advance of the day in case you need to organise any resources for it. We are very mindful that it needs to be things that are easy to get and that you may already have at home. We will start with a launch assembly again at 9:30am with another Wake Up Shake Up with Miss Georgia.

Next week is half term week: School will be closed to all children next week as per the government guidance. There will be no remote learning set in order to give the children and staff (and yourselves!) a very well-earned rest! All remote learning will continue Monday 22nd February and we will also have our first assembly back at 10:45am.

COVID-19 cases: As per the email that came out yesterday, please do contact us via email over the half term if your child tests positive for Coronavirus. We have been asked by the government to keep a log of all cases, whether your child has been in school or not. Obviously, for those that have been in school, it is imperative that we know as soon as possible so that we can let anyone that has been in contact with your child know so they can self-isolate. Many thanks.

Laptops: Anyone that we have loaned laptops to will notice that the internet will be disabled over the half term break. Unfortunately, in some schools, there have been issues with inappropriate use of the internet on school devices. This has **not** been the case in our school, however The Trust have decided to disable all school laptops over the holidays as a precautionary measure. The internet will be enabled again on Monday 22nd February at 9am.

World Book Day 4th March: This will be a bit different this year as not all children will be back in school, but we are still hoping to make it as fun and interactive as possible! We may celebrate

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it on the 5th March as part of our Feel Good Friday. More details to follow after the half term but in the meantime, dig out those costumes ready for a fabulous day together!

Monday 22nd February: This will be quite an important day for us all as we tune into the Prime Minister's address in the evening where we will find out when schools will fully reopen. We desperately hope that primary schools (or indeed the year groups we have here) will reopen on Monday 8th March. We've got everything crossed!!

Harrier Award: The Harrier Value for this half term is Responsibility. We have seen some absolutely fabulous examples of this through Tapestry, Seesaw and Teams. Read on to find out who was given the Harrier Award this morning in our virtual assembly. There were also lots of shout outs for those that shared what they have been doing!

Congratulations to the following children:

Class	Name	Reason
Nursery	Chloe	For always doing the right thing at the right time and for great counting in Maths! Fantastic!
Reception	Alameen	For taking responsibility for other people by spending your money on a brand new water pump for a village in Pakistan - wow Alameen, you have inspired us all!
Year 1	Archie	For taking responsibility with his handwriting and doing such a great job to improve it! Well done Archie!
Year 2	Wills	For his super contributions to our online lessons and keeping everyone's spirits up with his jokes!

Thank you: Yet again, myself and the staff have received some really lovely messages via phone or email from yourselves. At such a difficult time for all, it really is so much appreciated and spurs us on to keep making our school the best place it can possibly be for all our children! Thank you for all your tremendous support with the Remote Learning so far. It really has been a team effort and it will make such a difference to how the children settle back into school and catch up on any learning missed because of all you've done.

With huge thanks and wishing you a restful and safe half term,

With best wishes

Mrs Hopkins & The Henhurst Ridge Primary Academy Family

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Atlas and a very healthy-looking plate of food! Delicious!

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