

Friday 11th June 2021

Message from Mrs Hopkins:

Dear Families,

I hope you all had a lovely half term in the sunshine - wasn't it just lovely? All the children (and staff) have come back rested and ready for action for our last 32 days of learning! We can hardly believe our third year of being open has gone by so quickly. We are determined to make every minute count of this final half term.

Please keep sending the photographs in of your child reading in really interesting and great places. We already have some super ones and we'd love to make a display of all our fun reading places! Instilling a love of reading in children from a young age is so important and hopefully this might encourage them to pick up a book! Don't forget to keep reading with your child 15 minutes each day - it really is making such a difference!

Enjoy the glorious sunshine this weekend and the start of the Euros for all our football fans!

Very best wishes,
Mrs Hopkins & The Henhurst Ridge Family

Nursery: This week, the children have started an adventurous half term by thinking about what you need to be an explorer. They have packed their bags with lots of useful things like torches, cameras and even fishing rods to help them on their journey! We have also travelled the world thanks to Google Earth and looked at places both near and far. Next week, we are going to learn all about India!

Reception: What a very strange week it has been in Reception- our fruit keeps going missing! Who could it be? The children think it may be the animals from our new text 'Handa's Surprise'. We are going to set up a camera to see what we can find! We have also enjoyed tasting exotic African fruits, going on jeep safaris in our role play, and creating African tribal necklaces!

Year One: This week Year One were shocked to see that an alien spaceship had crash landed in our reading area! We looked at images of aliens to try and work out who had crash landed. It turned out to be a little, lost alien called Beegu. We will be writing about Beegu in our Talk for Writing lessons. Year One also explored different animal groups this week in Science.

Year Two: This week Year Two have started reading the story 'The Tin Forest' and have enjoyed exploring the illustrations and using their inference skills to dig deeper into the story. We have begun our now topic 'Great Britain, Great Britons.' In Maths, we have been extending our shape knowledge to 3D shape.

Dropping children off: As you know parking spaces are limited around the estate, especially with the building work going on. Please can we ask that once you've dropped your child/ren off, that you vacate the parking space as quickly as possible so that another parent can use it? Thank you so much, it will really help.

Atlas reading on the water!

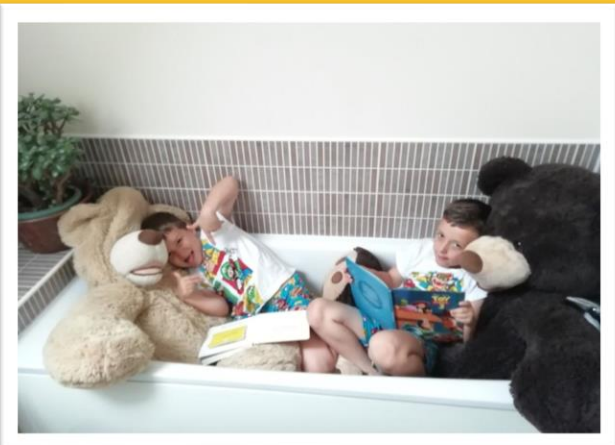


Haircut time! Jessica finally had her hair cut last week and it looks so lovely! See photo below - she looks very grown up indeed! She managed to raise an incredible £628 for The Princess Trust. Both Mum and Jessica were blown away by the support she received and have asked me to thank everyone who donated and gave so generously.



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

Where are you reading? Thank you so much for sharing your fabulous photos of you reading in some really great places! Please continue to send in photos via Seesaw, Tapestry or Twitter (copy us in via @henhurstbridge) as we are making a wonderful display in school of all the places you can read!



Leanne & Youssef: We say a very fond farewell to Leanne and Youssef who have been with us since they started in Reception. They are relocating back to Egypt and we are going to miss them and their parents very much. As a parting gift, they have donated this wonderful telescope to the school and I know we will have so much fun using this as part of our Reading Under the Stars adventures and many more activities. Thank you to you both and good luck, please keep in touch!



Harrier Award: The Harrier Values for this half term are Honesty & Respect. We are looking forward to celebrating children that show these values! 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	Willow	Willow has settled into Nursery so well over the last half term and is always so caring, polite and honest. What a super friend!
Reception	Isla	Isla has had a super start to this term, and is a Henhurst role model always showcasing our Henhurst values!
Year 1	Zakr	Zakr has blown me away this week with his Science skills. He was able to place around 40 animals into their correct animal group, whether that be a mammal, fish or reptile. Well done Zakr!
Year 2	Lily	For a super start to her time at Henhurst and for always being polite, honest and caring.



Holly has been reading her new book to Bilbo & Frodo the goats who live on the farm where our holiday house has been.



