

Friday 25th June 2021

Message from Mrs Hopkins:

Dear Families,

Another great week of learning with the children continuing to make leaps of progress! I have lost count this week with the number of times a member of staff has asked to show me work from a child in their class which is just brilliant! All this information will be captured and fed back to you in the annual written reports due out week beginning 5th July. There will also be an opportunity to book a Teams call with the class teacher if you want to discuss anything that is on the report on Monday 12th July. More details will be in the letter that comes out with the report.

There is also information later on in the newsletter around which teacher will be teaching which class next year. More information around support staff will be released later in the term.

In other news, we had a Safeguarding Audit yesterday by the Trust's regional safeguarding lead and I am delighted to let you know we passed with flying colours. A quote from her report said: "there is a strong culture where everyone is passionate about their role in Safeguarding - it's not an add on it's fundamental to helping every child reach their potential." This was really great for us to read and an affirmation that the work we do is having an impact.

On that happy note, wishing you a lovely weekend,

Very best wishes,

Mrs Hopkins & The Henhurst Ridge Family

Nursery:

This week in Nursery, we have innovated our Train Ride story. We have decided to travel out of the town to Peppa Pig World, passing a unicorn along the way! We have also enjoyed learning about our new country of the week - Spain! We had lots of fun learning a flamenco dance!

Reception: We have become 3D shape experts this week! We've learned about cubes, spheres, cylinders, cuboids and even square and triangle-based pyramids! The children have enjoyed finishing off Handa's Surprise in Talk for Writing, and although we caught the animals on the camera last week, we have a sneaky suspicion they may be back again next week...

Year One: This week Year One have expanded their artistic skills and have been learning all about different types of print making. Using foam cubes, we carved animal print shapes and then printed them onto paper! We made a range of animal prints from cheetahs, alligators, snakes and zebras!

Year Two: Year 2 were shocked to find that a range of toys had escaped from the toy box! They worked together to find them and return to their toy box. In Art, the children used clay and paint to create their sculptures inspired by Mackenzie Thorpe. Miss Pollitt was so impressed with the care they took over creating these.

Pedestrian gate broken: Unfortunately, someone pushed the pedestrian gate as it was opening, and it has now broken. This will result in a considerable repair bill. Please do not push it whilst it's opening and please remind children too. Many thanks.

Move up mornings: This will now take place on Friday 16th July whereby all the children will have an opportunity to go to the classroom they will be taught in with their new class teacher. For some classes - they will be going upstairs! More information to follow nearer the time!

School drop off and collection times: This is still problematic. PLEASE only arrive at your allocated time to keep the flow of traffic and people on site minimised. There has been a rise in COVID cases in the Burton area and we want to protect our school community. Thank you.

Welcome! Another friendly face has joined Year Two this week. A huge welcome to Miley. She started yesterday and has made lots of friends already! We hope you are very happy here Miley!

Sports Day & End of year picnic: Sadly, we have taken the decision to cancel Sports Day in its traditional format and instead have a fun Olympic themed day with the children only. I know this will be disappointing but as mentioned last week, the health and safety of the children, staff and parents is paramount and while the restrictions only allow 30 people outside, we couldn't find a solution that would mean we could go ahead.

This also applies to the end of year picnic on the field. Restrictions may have eased by that date but it could run the risk of a positive case and isolation periods right at the start of the Summer holidays and possibly cause issues for anyone trying to get away. The children will still enjoy the picnic and have fun.

Apologies for this but it is unavoidable in the current climate.



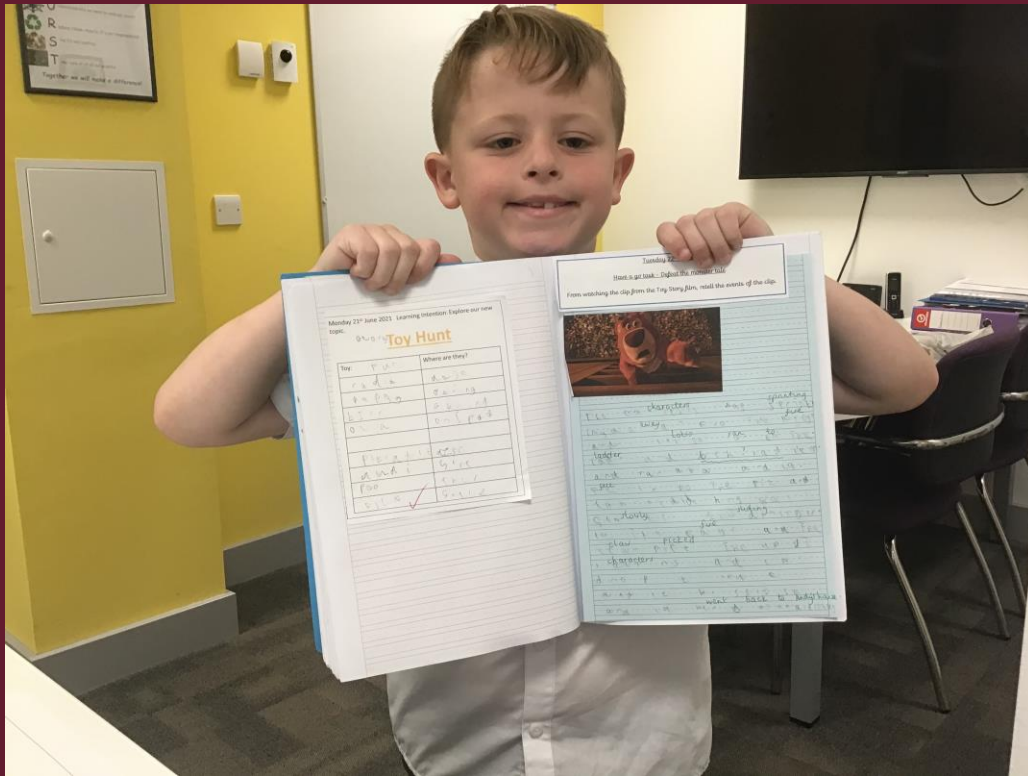
Another amazing Year One pupil has had her hair cut for charity! Esme has managed to raise £160 for The Little Princess Trust! We just cannot believe how kind, caring and giving our children are at such a young age! We are so proud of you Esme and your new hair cut looks beautiful!

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	Robyn	Robyn shows such amazing respect for our Nursery rules and routines and has been a fantastic monitor for Tidy Up time!
Reception	Shiva	Shiva has been very honest in phonics this week, asking for help when she was a little unsure of her spelling.
	Rosie	Rosie is always so respectful to children, adults and our school environment. What an excellent role model!
Year 1	AJ	AJ always expresses when something is bothering him, which is good because then we can work together to solve problems! AJ has a wonderful attitude towards learning and always comes to school with a big smile!
Year 2	Freya	For always showing excellent listening, being respectful and honest. A super role model to the class!

Year group	Class teacher
Nursery	Mrs Blackshaw Mrs Buckley
Reception	Miss Johal
Year One	Miss Cox
Reception & Year One	Miss Crean
Year Two	Miss Pollitt
Year Three	Miss Elliott



A fantastic 'Have a go' task for Defeating a Monster tale by George!
George has been to see me lots over the past few weeks for such incredible progress in so many areas of his learning - well done George!