HENHURST RIDGE NEWS

WC 21st SEPT 2026

Mrs Hopkins

What a fantastic and busy week it has been at Henhurst Ridge!

The children continue to work incredibly hard in their classes and it has been wonderful to see so much enthusiasm for learning across the school.

School Disco Success!

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our school disco on Thursday evening. The event was a tremendous success, with children enjoying an evening of dancing, games, music and spending time with their friends. It was lovely to see so many smiling faces and children having fun together. Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who helped make the event such a memorable occasion.

Year 6 Leadership Opportunities

We would like to say a huge well done to all of our Year 6 pupils who applied for the prestigious roles of Head Boy and Head Girl. The quality of applications was exceptional and pupils demonstrated great maturity, confidence and commitment to our school values. We are incredibly proud of everyone who put themselves forward and showed the courage to apply.

A special congratulations must also go to all the children across the school who applied to become part of our School Parliament Team. It is wonderful to see so many pupils keen to have a voice in school life and help make positive changes for our school community.

Year 6 Residential Trip

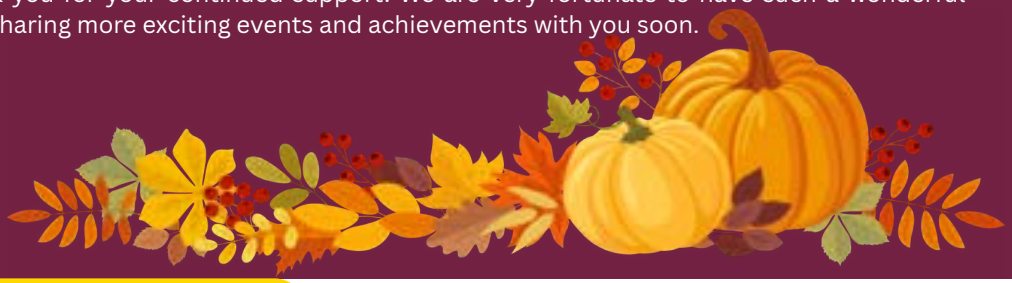
Our Year 6 pupils had an amazing time on their residential visit to Whitemoor Lakes from Wednesday to Friday. Throughout the trip, the children challenged themselves, showed resilience and demonstrated excellent teamwork skills whilst taking part in a variety of exciting outdoor activities. Many pupils stepped outside of their comfort zones and achieved things they never thought possible. Staff were incredibly proud of their behaviour, attitude and the way they represented Henhurst Ridge throughout their stay. We are sure they have returned home with memories that will last a lifetime.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to all the parents, carers and family members who joined us for our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday. It was wonderful to come together as a school community to support such an important cause. We are extremely grateful for the generous cake donations and contributions received. Your support helps make a real difference, and we appreciate everyone who took the time to attend.

As we move into another busy week, thank you for your continued support. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful school community, and we look forward to sharing more exciting events and achievements with you soon.

Have a lovely weekend.



Spotlight Class: ATTENBOROUGH

How have we already completed four weeks in Reception? The children have settled in wonderfully, and we are so proud of the progress they have made so far. It has been lovely to see them becoming familiar with our daily routines, growing in confidence, and making new friendships.

This week, our focus book has been Funnybones, which has helped us learn all about the different parts of our bodies and what they are used for through lots of singing and circle times. The children have thoroughly enjoyed exploring this topic in a variety of ways.

Some of our activities this week have included labelling the different parts of the body, practising our scissor skills by carefully cutting out skeleton pieces, and creating our very own skeletons. We have been so impressed with the children's enthusiasm, independence, and willingness to try new things.

We can't believe how much growth we have already seen in such a short time, and we are excited to continue watching the children learn, grow, and flourish throughout the rest of the year!











HARRIERS OF THE WEEK

A massive well done for the children chosen for showing our value of **'Everyone working together'** this week.



From left to right: Dexter, Esme, Ellie and Nheve



CERTIFICATE

From left to right: Heidi, Henry, Nancy, Florence and Maryam

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If you have not yet completed the registration, please do so as soon as possible using the link below:
Registration Link: Special Diet Application - HCL
Please note that until HCL has received and processed the required information, your child will only be able to receive a jacket potato option at lunchtime. This is to ensure that their dietary needs are catered for safely and appropriately.
To clarify if your child **does not** have any allergies, intolerances or cultural dietary requirements you do not need to register.
Thank you for your cooperation and support in helping us provide the best possible meal service for your child.

BACK TO SCHOOL DISCO



Look how fabuolous you all look in your disco clothes!

Our school disco was a huge hit on Thursday evening, with children arriving dressed for the occasion in their fabulous party outfits, ready for an evening of fun and excitement. The hall was filled with smiles, laughter and lots of enthusiasm as pupils enjoyed spending time with their friends outside the classroom.

A huge thank you goes to Absolute Amazing Parties, whose fantastic entertainer kept the energy high throughout the evening. Dressed in a bright pink outfit that certainly matched the party atmosphere, they led a variety of exciting games and activities that had everyone joining in and having fun.

One of the highlights of the evening was the opportunity for children to choose some of the music themselves, creating a playlist packed with their favourite songs. The dance floor was busy all night, with children singing along, showing off their dance moves and making wonderful memories with their classmates.

A massive thank you must also go to our wonderful PTFA. Without their hard work, dedication and support, events like these simply would not be possible. From planning and organising to helping on the night, the PTFA give up their time to create memorable experiences for our children and raise valuable funds for the school. We are incredibly grateful for everything they do for our school community.

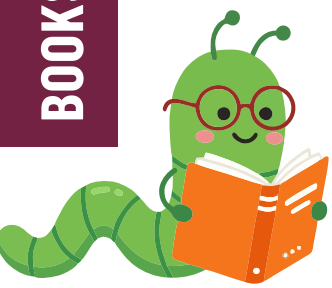
Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make the evening such a fantastic success. We can't wait for the next one!

BOOKS & BREAKFAST EVENTS

Please make a donation of £1 on ParentPay to cover the cost of breakfast refreshments for the Books & Breakfast events throughout the week

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Thursday 1st October - Attenborough and Thunberg 8:30 - 9:00 am
Friday 2nd October - Silva and Irwin 8:30 - 9:00 am
Monday 5th October - Packham and Potter 8:30 - 9:00 am
Tuesday 6th October - Kamkwamba and Goodall 8:30 - 9:00 am
Wednesday 7th October - Rezwan 8:30 - 9:00 am
Thursday 8th October - Honnold and McCartney 8:30 - 9:00 am
Friday 9th October - Cousteau and MacArthur 8:30-9:00 am.







CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Nursery - 98.1%
Attenborough - 93.7%
Thunberg - 93.1%
Irwin - 97.7%
Silva - 92.86%
Potter - 99.07%
Packham -95.83%
Kamkwamba - 96.06%
Goodall - 98.85%
Rezwan - 96.67%
Honnold - 93.98%
McCartney - 94.71%
MacArthur - 98.22%
Cousteau - 96%

OVERALL SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK: 95.64%





Above 97%	95.5-96.9%	94-95.4%	92.5-93.9%	Below 92.4%
283 pupils	2 pupils	0 pupils	30 pupils	59 pupils



EYFS/KS1 -Well done **Potter Class - 99.07%**

KS2 - Well done **McCartney Class 98.94%**
Both classes received the class attendance award this week.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 1st October	Books & Breakfast Event for **Reception**	8:30-9am Join your child in the hall to have breakfast & share a book to include phonics workshop
Friday 2nd October	Books & Breakfast Event for **Year 1**	8:30-9am Join your child in the hall to have breakfast & share a book
Monday 5th October	Books & Breakfast Event for **Year 2**	8:30-9am Join your child in the hall to have breakfast & share a book
Tuesday 6th October	Books & Breakfast Event for **Year 3**	8:30-9am Join your child in the hall to have breakfast & share a book
Wednesday 7th October	Books & Breakfast Event for **Year 4**	8:30-9am Join your child in the hall to have breakfast & share a book
Thursday 8th October	Books & Breakfast Event for **Year 5**	8:30-9am Join your child in the hall to have breakfast & share a book
Friday 9th October	#Hello Yellow Day Mental Health Awareness Day	All children can wear something yellow and pay £1 for charity on ParentPay
	Books & Breakfast Event for **Year 6**	8:30-9am Join your child in the hall to have breakfast & share a book
Monday 12th October	Individual & sibling school photographs (Nursery & school age only)	If it is a PE day, children can come in uniform and change into kits for the PE lesson.
Friday 23rd October	PLPs out to parents of SEND children	More information to follow
Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October - Half Term		



PLEASE NOTE THAT HOLIDAYS TAKEN IN TERM TIME WILL NOT BE AUTHORISED AND COULD LEAD TO A FINE BEING ISSUED TO PARENTS/CARERS. PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE READ THE DATES CAREFULLY AND BOOK HOLIDAYS ACCORDING TO HOLIDAY DATES AND INSET DAYS ADVERTISED.
MANY THANKS

Class Trips will be scheduled and advertised throughout the term with advance notice to allow for parents to budget for them.

Other events will be added as the year progresses, please read the newsletter, text messages and emails for updates. The website will have the latest version of this document on there under the Parent/Carer tab: Academy Calendar.

Thank you for taking the time to read this week's newsletter. We appreciate your continued support and partnership in helping our pupils thrive.