



Henshaw CE Primary School Newsletter

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Stars of the Week



Class 1 - Fearnie for super progress in writing and increasing in confidence when writing independently.

Class 2 – Macy C for her consistent happy and positive attitude.

Class 3 – Harry for working hard to make his handwriting big enough for Mrs Clarke to see. She doesn't need a magnifying glass any more!

Class 4 – Libby for her infectious positive attitude towards school and her work.

Head Teacher's Award – Jamie for being a great role model to others, for trying his best in class and being a good friend- Well done!

School opening time change

We have taken into consideration some comments about the car park and the school opening times and would like to combine best practice from what we have experienced during the pandemic. With this in mind we have looked further into the timings of the start of the school day.

From Monday 10th May, we will be reverting back to a staggered start from 8.40am. We expect children to be in the building by 9am. Children are not to be left unsupervised on the school grounds, including the car park.

By going back to a staggered start, we hope that this may ease the current car park issues.

We appreciate some parents have to get to work for a certain time so can we politely remind you that we do have wraparound provision and children can attend breakfast club if needed.

The staggered system for the end of the school day will remain the same.

Thank you for your ongoing cooperation and for bearing with us with regards to further changes.

NCC – SEND - Ofsted revisit

Northumberland County Council has been notified that Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission will undertake a 3 day revisit in relation to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities in Northumberland. Today marks the beginning of the preparation and inspectors from Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission will undertake visits and focus groups from 19th to 21st May.

Please find attached a letter from NCC regarding the SEND revisit. They would be grateful if as many families as possible could contribute their views during this local area revisit through the survey, which will run between 12th and 18th May.

Attendance W/C 3.5.21

Reception	100
Year 1	100
Year 2	100
Year 3	100
Year 4	98.9
Year 5	97.5
Year 6	100
Overall	99.4%
Well done everyone!	

Learning Achievements

Class 1 - We have been looking at lifecycles this week and have learnt about the lifecycle of a sunflower and a frog. We have each planted a sunflower seed for our competition to see who can grow the tallest sunflower. In Maths, we have been adding more and counting on and have been making up our own number stories. In RE, we listened to the story of 'The 10 Lepers', discussed what we are thankful for and then created some beautiful 'thankful' flowers. We have explored colour mixing and mixed our own colours to paint some brilliant frog pictures.

Class 2 – This week we have started to investigate how bees make honey. In Maths, Year 1 have been counting in groups of, 2, 5 and 10. Year 2 has been making equal groups and writing multiplication sentences. In English, we have started to look at features of poetry and listen to different types of poems. We wrote our own 'What am I' riddle.

Class 3 - This week, Class 3 have been finding out about the fossilisation of the remains at Pompeii. We have learnt about the different types of fossils - trace, mold and mummification. We have made our own trace fossils. As an ongoing long term scientific investigation, we have been finding out about the contents of different soil samples. In Art, we have been creating balance art with rocks in the style of Andy Goldsworthy. In English, we have been planning and writing a narrative entitled 'A child in Pompeii'. In Maths, we have been looking at fractions. We have looked at Google Earth and 'zoomed' in to Mount Vesuvius and we have found out many interesting facts about its eruption in 79AD including Pliny's account!

Class 4 - This week, in Class 4, we have finalised our Newspaper reports on Anne's execution. They have now been published and put on display. We have started looking at significant dates and events of Anne Boleyn's life with Henry VIII, in chronological order. In Maths, we have continued our work on decimals. In Science, Class 4 have been investigating compasses and have made their own. Hopefully if we ever get lost we will know where to go! In French, we have been recapping our knowledge of the weather. This has come in very handy for all the different seasons we have had this week! During our PE lesson we had rain, sun and hail! However, we were undeterred and worked hard practicing our batting skills. Well done Class 4!

Young Leaders

Our Young Leaders, Years 5 & 6, are busy planning their project for this year. They are in the process of selecting the charities they will be supporting and more details will follow on next week's newsletter.

Watch this space!

Forest School Sessions – Half Term Holidays

Henshaw Nursery would like to offer some Forest School sessions to the school children during the half term holidays.

The sessions will run on Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd June, 9am - 3pm within the Forest area, so appropriate clothing will need to be worn (and suncream supplied if needed).

The cost will be £20 per child and £2.50 for lunch, which will be prepared and cooked by the children in the Forest area. The children will have the opportunity to learn basic survival skills and resilience, which will include den building and making their own resources using natural materials in the forest.

Please contact Mrs Arlene Bowes, Nursery Manager, if you would like to book a place (limited places available) on 07802435850, or email henshawnursery@gmail.com by Friday 21st May.



School Uniform reminder

As we start to return to our normal routines, please could the children wear their School Uniform and their School PE Kit (on their specified PE days) in school. Please see our Uniform list below. Thank you.

School Uniform

Bottle Green Sweatshirt or cardigan with logo
White polo shirt
Grey/black trousers (**not leggings**) or skirt
Purple gingham dress (Summer uniform option)
Grey/black knee length shorts (Summer uniform option)
Black school shoes (**not trainers/ sandals**)
Black book bag with logo (Optional)

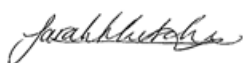
Compulsory PE kit

White t shirt
Black shorts
Suitable footwear i.e. trainers
Black plimsolls
Bottle Green Hoodie with logo for sport (Optional)
Black jogging bottoms (**not leggings**) - (Optional for colder months/ outdoor sports)

Mrs Hancock & Miss Reynolds's Menu w/c 10.5.21 (Please note: this menu may be subject to change)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sausage, Mash, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy OR Jacket Potato with Filling	Steak Pie, New Potatoes OR Baguette with Filling	Cooked Ham, Wedges OR Jacket Potato with Filling	Lasagne & Garlic Bread OR Baguette & Filling	Cheezy Pizza, Wedges OR Wrap with Filling
Green Beans	Broccoli	Beans	Sweetcorn	Peas
Shortcake Biscuit & Fruit Juice	Angel Delight	Marble Cake & Custard	Jelly & Fruit	Raspberry & White Chocolate Muffin & Milkshake
Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit/Yoghurt

Yours



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