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Henbury View First School

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Headteacher's Update

Thank you to everyone who attended our parent share and book shares, it was a wonderful opportunity for the children to share their learning with their families. We will have book shares and parent shares again this half term. It has been wonderful to see the children sharing their learning with such confidence and understanding. As a school we have been developing our curriculum to ensure that there is clear progression through each subject from Foundation to year 4, with a particular focus on children knowing and remembering more.

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to MCAS and being patient with us as we smoothed out a few technical issues. We are very excited that we will be able to use this APP for many things including booking tickets for Christmas performances etc We continue to keep our school calendar up to date on our website and if we do need to change any dates due to unforeseen circumstances we will endeavour to give as much notice as possible.

The Friends of Henbury have organised a Pantomime for all the children towards the end of November which we are all looking forward to. This half term they are organising fund raising events which enable us to enhance the learning experience for our children.

Best Wishes, Sally Wall.

Non-Uniform Day and Children in Need

There will be a Non-Uniform day on November 18th. The donation requested for this event is £1 and all proceeds will go to the Friends of Henbury collection. Please bring a cash donation into class.

November 18th is also Children In Need day so children can wear spots if they wish and parents can donate via the website <u>Donate to BBC Children in</u> Need

Coat reminder

Please can we ask that children bring their coats to school every day as we endeavour to ensure that the children have time outside each day where we can. Please ensure all clothing is named as it is hard to ensure that clothing is returned to the correct child.

Secondhand Uniform

The friends have an abundance of second-hand uniform which they are keen to make available during our parents' evenings. We will arrange the uniform in the room by the school hall and they just ask for a small donation towards their funds.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

8th and 9th November— Parents evenings all year groups.

14th November -18th November. Anti-Bullying Week.

14th November- Odd Socks Dav.

18th November-Non-Uniform Day. See item in newsletter.

17th November- Year 1 Parent Share 14.30

18th November- Bangers and Bingo 18.00

23rd November- Year 2 Parent Share 14.30

1st December- Foundation, Year 3 and 4 Open Classroom. 15.30-16.00.

Christmas Holiday Monday 19th December—Monday 2nd January.

Remembrance Poppies are now available for a donation in the school office.





Monday 14th November - Friday 18th November.

Anti-Bullying week is coordinated annually in England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. It takes place from 14-18 November 2022 and has the theme Reach Out. The week will kick off with Odd Socks Day on Monday 14th November, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.

Our aim by the end of the week all children will understand what bullying is, it's impact on children's wellbeing, and what children should do if they are being bullied or suspect someone else is being bullied. The children will take part in a number of assemblies and lessons throughout the week to explore these important questions. At Henbury View we define bullying as 'behaviour by an individual or group, repeated over time, that intentionally hurts another individual or group either physically or emotionally'. We use the acronym STOP to define bullying to the children - Several Times on Purpose.

Children who are concerned about bullying are reminded to make their feelings about unwanted hurtful behaviour clear to the person who is carrying out. This helps potential perpetrators to recognise the impact of their actions and often prevents the continuation of unintentional hurtful behaviours. We teach the children the simple phrase 'Please STOP, I don't like that' to communicate their feelings clearly and politely. If unwanted behaviours continue the children are advised to tell a trusted adult. During the week the children will be encouraged to think about who their trusted adults might be.

PEER MENTORS

We have recently appointed some year 4 pupils who are going to be our Peer Mentors, they will receive training on how to notice and deal with bullying behaviours, to manage conflict through peer mediation and to promote positive playtimes and pupil wellbeing.



Coffee Morning Invitation.

We would like to increase the numbers attending our monthly coffee mornings and would like your feedback on how we can ensure that the coffee mornings are meeting the needs of parents and carers. We have been considering whether the day of the week or time of day is working, and what format you would like coffee mornings to take. We are more than happy to keep it as a social meet up or we can develop it more to include other agencies providing a drop-in service for example school nursing, early help etc. Please email any ideas you may have to the school office.

Foundation and Year 2 visit from the Fire Service.

Written by Year 2:

On Tuesday 11th October, Foundation and Year 2 had an extraordinary, amazing visit from the Fire Service. First, Dan came to visit us and taught us about fire engines, fire fighters and fire safety. Then, we walked outside in the sunshine and saw a giant, red fire engine! The fire fighters showed us the inside of the fire engine, how to use a hose and explained how to use their firefighting equipment. Year 2 children said, "this was the best day of my life", "I liked going in the fire engine" and "it was marvellous!

Foundation had a wonderful time and said "spraying the water was the best".





Safeguarding/Child Protection Issues

Safeguarding/Child Protection

Henbury View First School is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

If you have any concerns, please contact the following people through the school office:

The designated child protection/safeguarding officer is: Mrs Sally Wall, Headteacher.

Our Family Support Worker is: Mrs Sharon Saunders