



## Henbury View First School

*Every Child Matters, Every Moment Counts*

Headteacher: Mrs S Wall

Assistant Headteacher: Mr D Saunders

### Spring term 2 2023. Newsletter 6.

#### Headteacher's Update

Thank you for your continued support, it was wonderful to see so many families and friends sharing the children's learning through Parent shares and Book shares. I continue to be impressed by the confidence of the children when sharing their learning.

We look forward to discussing your child's learning at our next parents' evenings, this is an opportunity to celebrate their successes and to know what their next steps in learning are. We are all looking forward to this half term and all the exciting learning opportunities that the children will be taking part in.

Best wishes, Sally Wall

#### Walk to school week

**15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023.**



We have decided to take part in the Walk to School week this year, the theme is Walk with Wildlife. This year's challenge will take pupils on a walk with wildlife, encouraging them to travel actively to school every day of the week. Meeting with various animals along the way, they will learn about the important reasons to walk and the difference it can make for individuals, communities, and the planet. More details to follow.

#### School Prospectus

We have been busy updating our school prospectus which contains a wealth of information which can be found on our school website. Insert [School Prospectus .pdf \(henburyview.dorset.sch.uk\)](https://www.henburyview.dorset.sch.uk/School%20Prospectus.pdf)

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

##### Parent shares at 2.30pm in the hall.

Year 2-27<sup>th</sup> March

Year 1-20<sup>th</sup> March

Foundation-13<sup>th</sup> March

##### Book Looks.

Year 3 and Year 4-30<sup>th</sup> March

##### Other dates.

25<sup>th</sup> Feb-Friends Table Top Sale

3<sup>rd</sup> March-Friends quiz night.

27<sup>th</sup> Feb-3<sup>rd</sup> March World Book Week.

3<sup>rd</sup> March-World Book Day.

13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> British Science Week.

14<sup>th</sup> March Yr 3 Samba Performance

17<sup>th</sup> March-Red Nose Day.

20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> March-Year 4 Trip to Leeson House.

27<sup>th</sup> March-Year 3 & 4 Easter Workshops

29<sup>th</sup> March-Easter Service

31<sup>st</sup> March-Easter Activities and Easter Hunt.

31<sup>st</sup> March-Last day of term.

## Red Nose Day



**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023.**

This year we will be taking part in Red Nose Day, we have asked the School Council to decide how they would like to support the event this year. They will be sending out their own letter in due course.

## After School Clubs

The range of after school clubs continues to grow and the children are enjoying the activities. Following the parent questionnaire last year parents requested some non- sporting clubs, unfortunately the take up of these have been less favourable.

If you would like us to investigate any specific clubs, please email the school office.

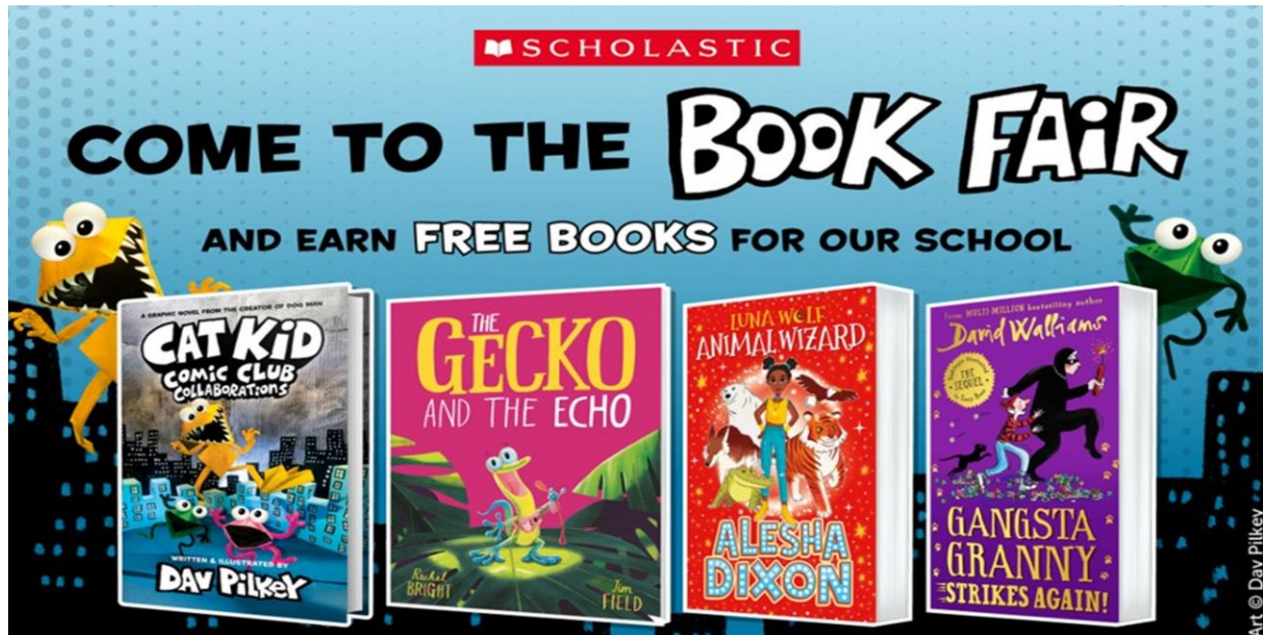
## Scholastic Book Fair 2023

**Weds 15<sup>th</sup> March, Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> March and Fri 17<sup>th</sup> March. 3.20-4pm.**

Books will be displayed in the Y4 cloakroom area and the Y4 classroom. The payment area will be in the Y4 Classroom.

Payments will be made via the Scholastic online payment system –a QR code will be at book fair and sent out nearer the time on parent mail so payments can be made at home prior to collecting book. Please note we will not be accepting cash at the fair.

A percentage of our final total from 25% to 60% will be given back to us in books we will put in our school library.



## School Trips and volunteering

We are planning school trips for each year group before the end of the school year linked to their curriculum. We have a bank of parents who have volunteered to support our trips if you would like to be added to the list, please email the school office to register your interest and we will be in touch.

We also recognise that we have a wealth of talents and skills within our community, if you feel that you are able to volunteer to enrich our curriculum offer in any way please do get in touch with the office. This could be as a one-off visitor to talk with the children, a link to accessing resources or a mini project.

## Online Etiquette

We are aware that many parents/carers monitor what their child is accessing on the internet which is great. More recently we have become aware of some children maybe not being as kind as we would expect of our pupils. As part of our PHSE program we have revisited how to behave online and thought it would be helpful to share with parents and carers.

We discussed being polite and respectful, and reminded them of how to behave when online.

- Treat others how you want to be treated.
- Don't say anything that you wouldn't say in-person and also mind your social media manners.
- Never type when angry, you may say something that you'll regret later or spark unnecessary conflict. Respond only when you've cooled off.
- Don't spread rumours or post insulting comments. Keep your tone polite, positive, and truthful.
- It is always best to discuss sensitive or tense issues with the person directly instead of posting something online or sending a mean message.

## Easter Church Service

This year we are going to attend the Church on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March @ 2.30pm. We would like for parents and carers to join us. The church has said that we can have 200 seats for the service. In the first instance we are going to allow each **family** to book a seat, with an option to request an additional seat which will be allocated on first come system. The request link will open 27<sup>th</sup> February at 6pm and close on the 6<sup>th</sup> March at 9am. When you submit your request, you will receive an email saying that your request has been submitted. <https://forms.office.com/e/keta8cr6f4>

## Foodbank donations



Thank you to the families who have made a donation, we know that some families in our community are finding the current financial climate very challenging. We intend that the basket for donations will always be available, and we will take the donations to the local foodbank. I know that they are grateful for any donations including toiletries.

## Attendance Letters

Attendance letters will be coming out in due course.

Thank you for your support in ensuring that your children are at school when they are fit and well. We recognise that there are a number of very nasty viruses going around which will have a direct impact on pupil attendance. In line with our attendance policy, we write to parents each half term if their child's attendance falls below 95%. If we have concerns about your child's attendance which may be linked to unexplained days off or lateness, we will invite you to discuss ways in which we can support you in ensuring that your child's attendance is above 95%.

Please be reassured that we do not wish for children who are not well enough to be in school to attend. We wish to support our families in helping to improve attendance.

## Head Lice

Please remember to check for head lice as often as possible to avoid the spread of head lice within our school. Guidance on checking can be found here [Head lice and nits - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

## 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