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## HURST GREEN NEWS FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2021

### Parent Consultations

In Term 2 we will be having two parents evenings – one in person and one remote to give you choice. Remote meetings will be as follows:

Willow - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November from 3.30pm -5.30pm  
Silver Birch – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November: 2pm-4.30pm  
Chestnut – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November: 2pm - 4.30pm  
Maple – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November: 2pm - 4.30pm  
Oak – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November – whole school in person (appointments from 3.30 to 5.30pm)

Please come in to the office and sign up for which day and time you would like for in person and remote.

### Mrs Clease's Art Club

This is going to begin again in Term 2 on a Thursday afternoon from 3.15pm to 4.15pm. This will be for Key stage 2 and there are 10 places. The charge for this club is £2 weekly, so if you would like to sign up, please come in to the office. The Key stage 1 children will be able to do this in Term 3. We are investigating other after school activities, as there has been an increase in demand as things return to normal(ish)!

### Collective Worship

*Friends in trouble.* This week we learned about four men who helped their friend by bringing him to Jesus. The Christian belief is that Jesus can transform people's lives and circumstances and can give them a fresh start. Christians pray for their friends when they are in trouble, or worried or unhappy.

### Netball

Our girls in Year 6 played brilliantly yesterday in a cluster Netball tournament which took place at Robertsbridge Community College. It was very exciting and we came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place! The girls showed great teamwork and it was a fun event. Thanks to Mrs Dallaway for transporting us. 😊

### Attendance for this week

Willow – 96.5% - 0 late arrivals

Silver Birch – 94.2% - 3 late arrivals

Chestnut – 99% - 1 late arrival

Maple – 99.6% - 1 late arrival

Oak – 99.2% - 3 late arrivals

Whole School – 97.7%



Next Friday is HOME CLOTHES DAY in exchange for a raffle prize in your class colour (see attached).

# CLASS NEWS

## Nursery

We are learning all about our bodies, naming different parts of the body and enjoying singing and dancing and using our bodies to keep them fit and healthy! Please bring in some photos of your child and the family to help us with our theme all about 'ourselves'.

## Willow

We have been making comparisons in Maths, thinking about more and less, and full and empty. We loved using the 'orbies' to fill containers! We have worked hard on our phonics and now know the first 6 sounds- s,a,t,p,i,n. We have started to blend sounds together to make words, it's very exciting! We have learnt rhymes this week, have been on a dragon hunt and thought about what is in our wonderful world.

**Head Teacher Award:** Henry for amazing work in phonics.

## Silver Birch

Silver Birch had a fantastic time tip toeing through Burgh woods whilst identifying signs of Autumn. We wrote a fantastic recount of what we saw, which even included fairies! In Maths we worked on the fact families within a number of sentences, remembering to only use the numbers in that family! (e.g.  $7+3=$  or  $3+7+10$  or  $3=10-7$ ). We also began to learn the tricks of the bar model.

**Head Teacher Award Yr 1:** Olivia for great understanding of the bar model.

**Head Teacher Award Yr 2:** William for a detailed recount of our Autumn walk.

**Reader of the week:** Ben

## Chestnut

This week Chestnut Class have been working very hard categorising rocks and conducting scientific experiments to determine if rocks are permeable or impermeable. In preparation for the festive season, we have been creative, painting our Christmas cards and developing our skills using water-colours. Building on our poetry skills, Chestnuts have been writing Stone Age shape poems and sound poems whilst continuing to explore a variety of poetry. In Maths we continued with our mental maths and have looked at different methods of addition and subtraction.

**Head Teacher Award Yr 3:** JJ for top marks in his Place Value work.

**Head Teacher Award Yr 4:** Winny for her positive attitude towards all her learning and being an outstanding role-model demonstrating our Christian Value of Friendship.

**Reader of the week:** Lee

## Maple

It feels far too early to be thinking about 25th December, but this week our happy little elves have been busy making Christmas cards. Despite the card factory working at full steam, we've found time to fit lots of other things into the curriculum! As the heroes of our story face imminent danger, we have written playscripts, deciding what we think should happen next. In Maths, we have been recapping written calculation methods for addition and subtraction, putting these to good use in Friday's challenge of running a zoo for the day. We have designed and made 'milagros' (good luck charms) and have learnt about Mexican food – next week we will be making guacamole. Que rico!

**Head Teacher Award Yr 5:** Holly for an amazing multilingual Christmas card design.

**Reader of the week:** Jake

## Oak

In English, we have been concentrating on our spellings and grammar. We have read more of 'Goodnight Mr Tom' and discussed what is happening. We have learned some new vocabulary that we can 'magpie' for our own writing. We have also presented our 'Battle of Britain' Powerpoints to the class. In Maths, we have been rounding to 10, 100, 1000, 10,000, 100,000 and 1 million. We have also been brushing up on our mental maths and tables. PLEASE LEARN YOUR TABLES Oak class as they will help you in every area of maths! In Art, we have been painting spitfires and making watercolour Christmas cards. In P.E we practised our netball skills for the tournament yesterday at RCC.

**Head Teacher Award:** The Netball team who worked brilliantly together.

**Reader of the week:** Charlie