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HURST GREEN NEWS

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Harvest Festival

We have been truly overwhelmed with all your donations and the food bank asked us to pass on their thanks for your generosity – your donations filled Mrs Fountain's car. We had a great Harvest service this morning – the children all took part, Annabelle and Richard Blackaby were impressed with their singing and class performances.

Everyone has worked very hard this term and I hope you all have a well-deserved break over half term.

Miss Flack

Silver Birch Cake Sale

At the end of today, Silver Birch are holding a cake sale. Remember to bring some money in if you would like to buy one or two!

Clubs in Term 2

Gymnastics club begins in week two.

Wilderness club begins in week two.

Art club will begin in week one.

Parent Voice

Please click on the link below to read the Parent Voice newsletter. This contains all sorts of helpful information for families including tips and advice for anxiety, things to do at half term and other resources and support information. <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKESCC/bulletins/2f7fb5a>

School Photos – place your order by 27th October for free delivery to the school.

Login below to access the images using the details on your contact sheet:

<https://www.imagojuniors.com/login/CombinedLogin.aspx>.

If you have lost your login details for any reason, please call Imago on 01252 728457 or email: enquiries@imagojuniors.com. Please quote HGPQMP*W21, with your child's full name and class name. Once logged in there is a 'forgotten password' facility on the website.

Attendance for this week

Willow – 90.6% - 1 late arrival

Silver Birch – 95.6% - 3 late arrivals

Chestnut – 96% - 1 late arrival

Maple – 88.7% - 2 late arrivals

Oak – 93.4% - 1 late arrival

Whole School – 93%
The national average is over 96%

Regular school attendance is an important part of giving children the best possible start in life. ... children who miss school frequently can fall behind with their work and do not do as well in exams.



Nursery

We have really enjoyed our theme of finding out about ourselves. We have learnt parts of the body, used our senses to explore things around us and we have learnt about everyone looking different. We have started learning all about numbers and have been finding circles everywhere we go!

Willow

This week in Maths we met the Numberblocks 1, 2 and 3. We used our ariel photo of the school to mark where we found the dragons hiding in the school grounds. We also had fun making 'bubbly mud' in the mud kitchen and enjoyed mark making on our new magnetic scribble pads. We enjoyed performing our poem 'Falling Apples' at the Harvest festival.

Head Teacher Award: Freddy for a fabulous picture of Numberblock 3.

Reader of the week: Nancy

Silver Birch

In Maths the Yr 1's have done addition and the Yr 2's have been working on subtraction. In English, we have been planning and writing spooky stories, describing the characters and setting. We have been practising our Harvest song and actions and we wrote acrostic Harvest poems. We had a super fun P.E lesson with Miss Golding using the parachute!

Head Teacher Award Yr 1: William H for being so kind to our new member of class

Head Teacher Award Yr 2: Freya for trying hard and being kind and caring.

Reader of the week: Olivia

Chestnut

This week we summarised our topic work and answered our focus question 'How did the lives of ancient Britons change during the Stone Age?' Based on first and secondary research sources, the children identified, described, explained and justified the changes with links to the Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic eras. In Maths Yr 3's continued their work on addition and subtraction whilst Yr 4's focused on adding and subtracting length and converting units of measure. In RE this week we learned about reconciliation and the impact on Christians and the wider world.

Head Teacher Award Yr 3: Harry for showing resilience and having a positive attitude to all his learning.

Reader of the week: Amber

Maple

As our first half-term in Maple comes to a close, it's time to say adios to Mexico. Before moving on to our new topic of Ancient China, we have made posters celebrating everything that we have learnt about Frida Kahlo, Spanish, Mexican history and more. Funnily enough, it seemed that guacamole making was what stuck in children's minds the most! In English, we have put together everything we have been learning about narrative and have created our own, travel-themed stories. Our maths learning has taken us further into the world of data, and we have become experts in plotting and interpreting line graphs. In music, we have continued to learn the basic rules of composing and notating music through playing on glockenspiels; we definitely have some future Mozarts and Debussys in our midst! Have a lovely half-term break.

Head Teacher Award Yr 4: Oliver for working so hard to improve his handwriting and story writing.

Head Teacher Award Yr 5: Isabella for a brilliant travel story, written with excellent structure and pacing.

Reader of the week: Sophie

Oak

In Maths we have been learning how to multiply using the area and grid method alongside long multiplication. In English, we have been practising reading texts linked to our RE topic about Incarnation. We have completed a SATs reading paper so that we can see where the COVID gaps in learning are. Most children are completing their homework and reading daily which will help to get into the routine, ready for next year.

Head Teacher Award: Abigail for her amazing writing which was a great read.

Reader of the week: Martha