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HURST GREEN NEWS

FRIDAY 5th NOVEMBER 2021

I hope you all enjoyed the break – this term will fly by and before you know it, Christmas will be upon us. This is a busy term with a lot going on. Please make sure you read the newsletter each week so that you can note down things that involve your child.

Clubs will all be running from next week. Please be aware that Breakfast and After School Club are full on most days so you must book in advance through the school office.

Just a reminder that parent/teacher meetings for those of you who have booked are taking place next Thursday.

We are finally dipping our toes in to the world of social media and you will receive a permission slip with regard to your child appearing on our new Facebook page! Please complete this so that we know either way if you are happy for your child/ren to be on the page. We will let you know when it is up and running so that you can follow us!

Miss Flack

Collective Worship – Compassion

This term our value is Compassion. We will reflect upon the Christian belief that God is always near to us and ready to listen. Christians believe that God never leaves us to face life alone and is always there loving and guiding us even when we feel weighed down and weary. We read the text 'Footprints in the Sand'.

KS2 Movie Night – next Friday

Chestnut, Maple and Oak class are invited to Movie Night next Friday straight after school. Your child will bring home the permission slip today for you to complete and return to us before Wednesday. The cost is £3 and this includes popcorn or crisps, a biscuit and squash.

Silver Birch Cake Sale

We raised over £120 at the cake sale – well done Silver Birch class! Thank you for all the helpers, donators and of course, the eaters!!!!

Attendance for this week

Willow – 87.1% - 1 late arrival
Silver Birch – 97.8% - 2 late arrivals
Chestnut – 99% - 1 late arrival
Maple – 99.2% - 0 late arrivals
Oak – 96.4% - 0 late arrivals

Whole School – 96.4%
The national average is over 96%

School Matters!





Nursery

We have been making amazing colourful rockets and learning new words for fireworks night: whizz, fizzle, pop, explode, zoom, sparkle. We watched a fireworks display on our television and we have been learning some new songs too.

Willow

This week we started our new topic Superheroes. We thought about what we know about them and designed our own one together. We started our new book 'Supertato' and we met our own 'mini-mes' who we loved playing with during our COOL time. We talked about the seasons and how we know when it is Autumn.

Head Teacher Award: Maddie for amazing reading and phonics.

Reader of the week: Evie

Silver Birch

We have started our new topic this week – 'How do our toys and games compare to those of the 1960's?' In English we are reading The Jolly Postman and will be learning the stories of the many characters the postman comes across in his journey. This week we have re-told the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. In Maths we are continuing addition and subtraction. We have settled back into school quickly after the half term and are working very hard.

Head Teacher Award Yr 1: Naia for amazing writing.

Head Teacher Award Yr 2: Callum for working hard in Maths.

Reader of the week: Michalina

Chestnut

We started our topic The Bronze Age and learned about the smelting process. In English we have been writing a persuasive Holiday Brochure about Skara Brae, which we will continue next week. In Maths Year 3 have been working on multiplication and Year 4 continued their work on perimeters. We have put our skills into practise by calculating how many Daffodil Bulbs were in a 20 kg sack and then dividing them fairly amongst the class using different methods. We are looking forward to planting them today.

Head Teacher Award Yr 3: Leo for his enthusiasm and effort in English.

Head Teacher Award Yr 4: Phoebe for her perseverance in Maths

Reader of the week: Daniel

Maple

This term, our topic is Ancient China. We have got off to a flying start by looking at the myth of dragons in Chinese culture and comparing this to Western mythology. We have also started our new class text: The Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman. From this, we have produced some fantastic writing, including letters between the protagonist, Lila, and her father, Lachland. In Maths, we are focusing on multiplication and division. We have been working hard to find factors of numbers up to 100, making sure that we collect all of the factor pairs. Our modern foreign language is French. We are getting used to classroom commands and ordering our lunches in French. Bon appétit!

Head Teacher Award Yr 5: Eva for working hard in every subject

Reader of the week: Amelia

Oak

In Maths we have been multiplying by 10, 100 and 1000. We have also been learning how to multiply 4 digit by 2 digit numbers. In English, we have been learning how to identify and use adverbs and adverbial phrases. We wrote a description of a setting using what we have learnt. We are continuing to read Goodnight Mr Tom and are working on our comprehension skills as well as building our vocabulary by discussing the meaning of new words. **Please send in a shoebox with your child on Monday.**

Head Teacher Award: Matilda for always aiming high and improving her work to make it even better

Reader of the week: Shantai

Art Club

I am so happy to have started Art Club again. Every week we will explore different techniques and mediums, creating beautiful artwork we will share with everyone. The artist focus this term will be Bob Ross, and towards the end of term we will create a landscape in his style. Each week we will be learning more about him and his unique approach.

This week we used highly pigmented watercolours to create these beautiful pictures - we used straws to blow the paint and paintbrushes to splatter. We had a lot of fun and I think you'll agree that the finished paintings are lovely.

Mrs Clease

