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## HURST GREEN NEWS

### FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023

From Monday we will be closing the gate and opening it at 2.55pm for Nursery parents only. People collecting children in Reception and Silver Birch should not arrive before 3.05pm and for Chestnut and Oak, 3.15pm. This gives each group a chance to arrive, collect and leave. When you have collected, please leave the car park straight away. If you live in the village, please walk as this alleviates the congestion. Please do not park in front of the entrance to the school as this is very dangerous.

Next Wednesday, we have Tempest coming in to do school photos. Please make sure your child has their jumper/cardigan, hair done and their tie tied properly. If you have little ones that do not attend the Nursery on a Wednesday (or at all) and you would like a photo of them with your older child/ren, then please arrive at school at 8.30am when the photographer will be ready to begin. All children who attend the school and Nursery will have sibling photos taken.

This week the weather has caught us all out on a few occasions (Silver Birch in particular)! With this British weather in mind, please make sure your children have a coat with them as we do encourage them to get out in the fresh air whenever possible, as they need it.

Have a good weekend, H.G Staff.

#### HGSA

Christmas Cards (seriously!): Your child is bringing you their Christmas card artwork today. As per the Parentmail that came home earlier in the week, orders need to be made online and completed forms and artwork should be returned to us by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October.



On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, Chestnut are the first class to have a cake sale this year! All donations gratefully received, we will remind you nearer the time to send in a few pennies with the children to buy cake at pick up time. We will also have preloved uniform for sale on that day, so come along – we have lots of autumn uniform available.



#### Collective Worship

Mr and Mrs Blackaby came to see us on Monday for Collective Worship and told the children the story of Naomi from the Bible, which is a story about friendship. On Wednesday in our singing assembly, we started to learn the 'Harvest Samba' and 'Cauliflower is Fluffy'.

**Reader Percentages** – those that have read a minimum of 5 times this week.

Willow: 80% / Silver Birch: 87% / Chestnut: 81% / Oak: 85 %

# WHAT HAVE WE BEEN DOING?

## Nursery

This week we have been telling each other about our families. We talked about who is in our family and how many brothers and sisters we have. We read 'All in One Piece' which is a story about Mr and Mrs Large who are trying to go out for the evening while organising their family. We have also been playing lots of different listening games.

## Willow

This week we talked about the changing seasons and how the weather is becoming more Autumnal. In Maths the Reception children have been recognising quantities of 1, 2, 3 and the Year 1 children have been focusing on representing objects with counters and counting objects from larger groups. In English we have been doing some work on the story 'Not Now Bernard'. We have learnt some interesting vocabulary and designed our own Monsters, Bernard's house and thought about the food our monster would eat. We also got a little messy and made our own monster slime with corn flour and coloured water! We have learnt the poem 'The Pointy Hat' which we will be performing in assembly this afternoon.

**Head Teacher Award R:** Rafe for such an imaginative and intricate design of his monster.

**Head Teacher Award Yr 1:** Aaron for excellent effort in English.

**Reader of the week:** Freddie

## Silver Birch

It's been a wet and wild week in Silver Birch class. We began our learning by exploring the magic of the woods and the changing of the seasons. We wrote a recount of our trip which included excellent adjectives like soaked and drenched! We continued our understanding of place value by exploring a human number line and making numbers using tens and ones. We learnt scientific words like evaporation, condensation and precipitation whilst understanding the water cycle and how the rain is made. Please make sure you write in your children's reading book every time they read at home.

**Head Teacher Award Yr 2:** Seraphina for excellent mental maths and learning all her times tables off by heart during the summer.

**Reader of the week:** Maddie

## Chestnut

This week, we have been developing our editing skills in English and have planned our own adventure stories. In Maths, we have continued our Place Value work using number lines, ordering numbers and rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. In Science, we have been identifying and differentiating between natural and man-made rocks and their uses. In History, we discovered how Stone Age people used stones for everyday tasks such as hunting, cutting, skinning animals, making needles, hammers, spears etc.

**Head Teacher Award Yr 3:** Louis for his amazing knowledge about Rocks and Soils.

**Head Teacher Award Yr 4:** Jasper for most improved writer.

**Reader of the week:** Eliza

## Oak

In Maths, we have been continuing our Place Value work; we have been placing numbers to 10,000,000 on a number line, learning about powers of ten and rounding numbers. We have also been working in groups to solve problems. In English, we have used our text 'Rooftoppers' to find out about one of the main characters, Charles Maxim. We have used evidence from the text to write character descriptions. In Computing we solved Mathematical problems involving place value. Some of Year 5 worked with Year 10 children from Robertsbridge CC to learn how to be a playleader - a very important role in our playground.

**Head Teacher Award: Yr 5:** Daniel for working extremely hard all of the time.

**Head Teacher Award Yr 6:** Chloe C for the improvements in her writing.

**Reader of the week:** Emily