

# Hardwick Green Newsletter – January 2022



Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back – we hope you've had a relaxing and happy Christmas and New Year. We have lots going on this term, as you can see...

Also, this term we welcome Mrs Yates to our team. She is joining us as a teaching assistant in our two-year-old room, Little Stars. Mr Dearlove will also be starting soon as our new Site Manager, as Mr Pollard has decided to move on to new opportunities.

Chris Story

Principal

## Notices and messages:

### Playground safety:



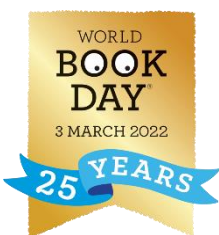
Can I please issue a reminder that children can bring scooters and bikes to school but should **not be riding them on the playground** – this is so that we can keep young children and any vulnerable people safe. Also, we cannot have dogs on the site – despite how cute or small some of them may be! Thank you for your cooperation with this.

### Being safe online:

You find lots of information on how to keep your children safe online on our website here: <https://hardwickgreenacademy.org/information-for-parents/online-safety>

We will be taking part in Safer Internet Day on 8<sup>th</sup> February too.

### World Book Day – 3<sup>rd</sup> March:



This year, we will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of World Book Day! It will be filled with lots of exciting, celebratory ways to promote reading for pleasure on World Book Day, and all-year round.

In school you can bring in a potato decorated as your favourite book character OR dress up as your favourite character (or both!)

### Red Nose Day – 18<sup>th</sup> March:

What's big, red and back on Friday 18 March 2022? Red Nose Day of course! That's right, we're going annual, and Hardwick Green will be joining in the fun.

We will be having a fancy-dress day to celebrate Comic Relief, and there will be fun and informative activities taking place in each class.



Success



Motivation



Ambition



Respect



Trust

## Anti-bullying:



We have written a new anti-bullying policy based on our work with the anti-bullying alliance. It is in draft form, and you can comment on it. It is available to see on Class Dojo. We will share the finished version soon.

Parents and carers of those in KS2 - please don't forget to bring in the permission slips for the questionnaire, so that children can give us their views on how to prevent and tackle bullying.

## Food scanner app:



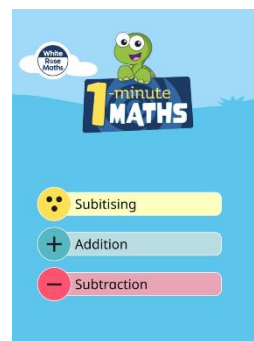
In school we have been learning about healthier habits using the ultimate healthy hack, the free Food Scanner app from Better Health.

We have been exploring what a balanced diet looks like and why it is important to know what is in our food and drink, and then making simple, healthier eating swaps using the free Food Scanner app. By simply scanning and swiping barcodes, the app shows how much saturated fat, salt and sugar is in everyday foods and drinks and gives suggestions for healthier alternatives. A fun augmented reality feature helps you celebrate your good choices.

By making a few easy swaps, you can make a real difference to your child's health. Download the Food Scanner app on the [Apple app store](#) or [Google Play store](#).

## 1-minute maths:

There is an amazing new FREE app aimed at KS1 children called 1-minute maths. You can download it for free from the app store and Google store. We'd love it if the children could have a go on this each night, if possible!  
<https://whiterosemaths.com/1-minute-maths#download>



## What else is going on?:

Our website is full of information you might need such as term dates, school dinner menus, dates and times of special events etc. You can access it here:

<https://hardwickgreenacademy.org/>

Remember you can see on Class Dojo's Class Story and on Twitter what's going on in each class! There are lots of exciting learning opportunities each day.



@HardwickGreenPA – School's Twitter

@HardwickMrs – Mr Story's Twitter

You can then find each classes' account from here!