



# HENLEY C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

16 February 2023

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Thursday 17th

**February:** Break up for February half term.

### Friday 17th

**February:** Staff Training day

## HALF TERM

### Monday 27th

**February:** Return to school.

### Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup> of

**February**– Non-school uniform day—bring in a £1.

### Thursday 2 March:

World Book Day

### Monday 6th March:

Assessment week.

### Wednesday 29th

March and

### Thursday 30th

**March:** Parent consultations

### Friday 31st March:

Break up for Easter Holidays.

### Monday 17th April:

Return to school.

**What a busy few weeks!** We had a fab day with athlete Adrian Patrick! The whole school took part in exercise sessions, then Adrian led a truly inspirational assembly. He talked about having ‘dreams’ and he gave great advice to the children and staff... ‘If you dream it, you can be it!’ He linked our school values in the hall to personality development and then he retold his story of how he had to be focused and have full concentration; and of how he ignored people doing the wrong thing. He stressed the importance of repeated practise and of believing ‘Yes I can!’, ‘I believe in myself!’, ‘I want to...’, and ‘I am going to have fun!’ At the end of the session he showed the children his gold medal and then the children impressed him with their brilliant questions. He was so impressed with the manners and respect shown by our children! Great teamwork Henley and what an experience to have had! To watch him competing see the link



[M Relay - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

**Mental Health Week:** Each week the Year 6 children lead Collective Worship, delivering key messages to the school. Last week, Jay and Ethan created a superb Collective Worship about Mental Health Week. On Friday, we then held our second Wellbeing Day of the year. The children carried out mindfulness activities, explored the outdoors in Forest school, meditated, took part in Tai Chi sessions, coloured, read, played with playdough and played board games. We talked about the importance of our spiritual growth and how we can use these tasks when we need to ground ourselves or calm ourselves down.

**Staffing:** This week we say goodbye to Miss Wallace. We would like to thank her for her work and support in Year 2/3. Mrs Stokes recently joined us and Mrs Griffin will be joining us in Y2/3 after half term. We welcome them both to the Henley team.

**Book Day:** On Thursday 2 March, we will be holding our World Book Day in school with an open theme. It’s personal choice for your book character. If your child would like to dress up for this, then they are more than welcome.

**Foodbank:** We received this letter from the Foodbank. *Dear Donors, On behalf of the Trustees and volunteers of Stratford-upon-Avon Foodbank, I would like to thank everyone at Henley in Arden Primary School for your extremely generous and thoughtful gift of 78 kgs of food for our foodbank! I do apologise most sincerely for the delay in responding to you – please forgive us! We were all so touched that your young people should be thinking about those people who cannot afford to buy food for themselves and their families! The Foodbank is extremely grateful to all individuals and organisations who support our work and to the people of Stratford-upon-Avon and its environs who regularly donate food and cash. Without this, she would not be able to improve our service to the growing number of people who need our help in times of crisis. Thank you again. Kindest regards and all good wishes for the New Year*

**Value:** Thank you for the Perseverance art work that has been sent in. This work will be displayed in school.

**Watches in school:** If you allow your child to wear a watch to school, we would like to remind you that we are not responsible for them in school. If in doubt please leave them at home as we do not have time to search and hunt for things if they get lost!

**Free courses:** These are available to you all: <https://www.recoveryandwellbeing.co.uk/enrolment>, and <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/parentguides>

**Play Leaders:** Well done to the Year 5 and Year 6 who recently trained with Neil Supperstone to become play leaders in school. Thank you to Neil for delivering these sessions. The children are loving it!



**School Council Non Uniform Day:** Our School Council have decided to take action to help the people of Turkey and Syria. They wrote a letter to all parents: ‘We are going to raise money for the people who have suffered in the recent earthquake (7.8 on the Richter scale). Lots of lives were taken away by this earthquake. On Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup> of February, we will be wearing non-school uniform and we will all need to bring in £1 minimum as a donation for the charity event. We will be sending the money raised to the British Red Cross. Thank you for your help with this, Yours sincerely, The School Council.

**Our ‘Certificate of Achievements’ were awarded on the last day of term to the following children:**

- Year 6— Frankie, Tahlia
- Year 4/5 – Poppy, Frankie
- Year 2/3 – Parker and Thomas
- Year 1— Georgia, Jimmy
- R/N— Callum, Arthur

**Our ‘Caught being kind’ children been awarded to:**

- Year 6— Grace, Georgia
- Year 4/5—Lucy, Ellis
- Year 2/3 – Anona, Jamie
- Year 1— Alfie, Eliza
- R/N—Gabby, Ada

**Our Learning Behaviours—‘Creative Thinker’ certificates have been awarded to:**

- Y6— Josh, Francesca
- Year 4/5—Max, William F
- Year 2/3 – Isla, Ben
- Year 1— Tilly, Jack
- R/N—Lillie, Rex

**Reader leaders (for the number of Gold each week in each class) have been:** Y6, Y4/5 and Y1

**Attendance Trophy has been awarded to:** Year 6 and R/N

**Housepoints for the end of Term 1:**

Arden	Beaudesert	DeMontfort
5226	5055	5180

**In anticipation of your help and support in the coming term, thank you.**

### Spring Term 2023

- Term starts – Wednesday 4th January 2023
  - Inset Day: Friday 17th February 2023
  - Half-term – Monday 20th February to Friday 24th February 2023
  - Term ends – Friday 31st March 2023
- ### Summer Term 2023
- Term starts – Monday 17th April 2023
  - Half-term – Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023
  - Inset Day – Monday 5th June 2023
  - Term ends – Tuesday 25th July 2023



Mrs Jill Allan and Mrs Elaine Field  
Heads of School

