



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a cold couple of weeks as the days become darker. Please can you ensure your child attends school wearing a warm winter coat, gloves, hats and scarves and appropriate footwear for this time of the year. Make sure your child's name is clearly on each item. Any lost property is placed in the storage box in the office.

Thank you

A huge thank you for the generous contributions to this year's Poppy Appeal. During celebration assembly Alan Jackson and Gerald Easton from the Royal British Legion presented us with the award for raising the most money out of our local schools. We raised £223.89. Oli and Amelia, our Head boy and Head girl can be seen here with our certificate and trophy. Our current value is 'Generosity' and it is through fund raising events such as these which show how generous our children and families are.



Road Safety Week

This week was Road Safety week. During our assembly on Tuesday we considered who in the community are road safety heroes. This included parents who provide us with car seats and helmets and support us with crossing the road.

Parent Events

We are looking forward to the parent workshops and Christmas events that are taking place over the next month. Please check the diary dates. We hope you can join us.

Have a lovely weekend

Kate Adcock



Diary Dates can now be found on the school website using this link:
<https://www.henleyinardenprimary.org.uk/diary/grid/2024/9/>

COMING UP:

Wednesday 27th November Year 5 & 6 9:00-10:30 **Parent Workshop**

Friday 29th November Break the Rules Day

Tuesday 3rd December Reception & Y6 Health Check

Wednesday 4th December 9:00-10:30 Year 1 & 2 **Parent Workshop**

Tuesday 10th December 9:00-10:30 Y 3 & 4 **Parent Workshop**

Friday 13th December - Breakfast with Santa. Children can wear
Christmas Pyjamas for the day.

Monday 16th December - Christmas Service at St Nicholas' Church

Tuesday 17th December - Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2 Christmas
Party pm

Wednesday 18th December Christmas Jumper Day

Y 3,4,5,6 Christmas Concert 9:00 **Parents Welcome**
Christmas Dinner

Year 5 & 6 Christmas Party pm

Thursday 19th December - EYFS, Y 1 & 2 Nativity 9:30 **Parents Welcome**

Friday 20th December Y 3 & 4 Christmas Party pm

Friday 20th December End of Term

Monday 6th January INSET Day.





Stars of the Week

Sienna Leo
 Tommy Ruby
 Frankie James A
 Otis Tom F

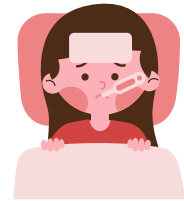
Value Champions



Gabby Chloe
 James Georgia
 Rosie Aaron
 Lottie

Attendance

Year Group	Year to Date
Whole School	95 %
Reception	95%
Year 1	96%
Year 2	97%
Year 3	95%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	94%
Year 6	93%



It is the time of year where our absences start to increase. Thank you to those who have still attended despite not feeling 100%



Whole School Target 96%



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Reporting Concerns

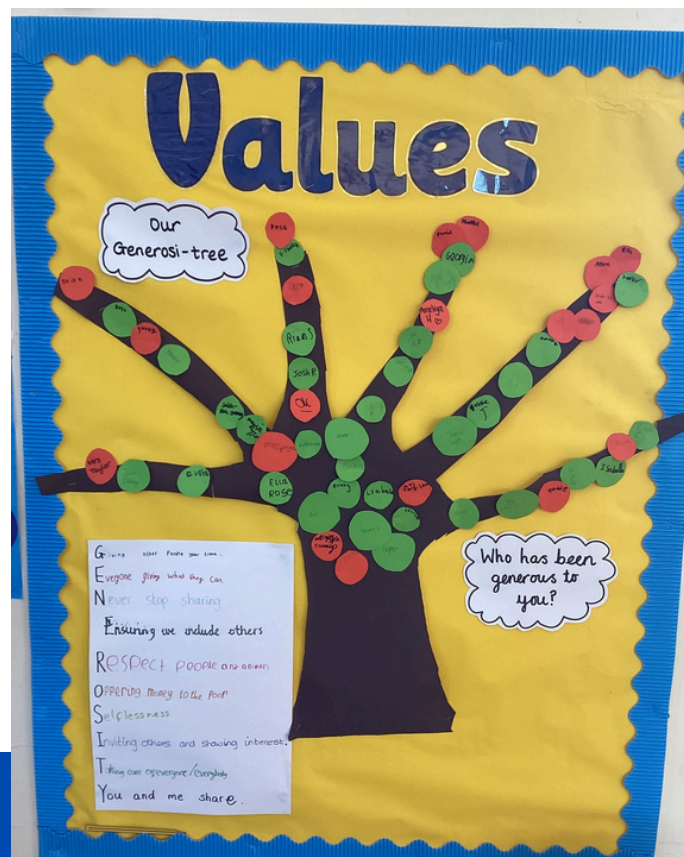
If you have a worry or concern, please speak to the class teacher at the end of the day. If you are not satisfied that your concern has been dealt with then please make an appointment with Mrs Griffin as our Assistant Head teacher. If you are still not happy, then you can make an appointment with myself through the main office. If you have a concern regarding your child's additional needs, please contact our SENCO Mrs Gray.

Values 2024-2025



Collective Worship

This week we heard the bible story 'The Generous Widow'. Despite not having a lot, she gave what she could. She was more generous than those wealthier than her. Throughout the week children have added to our 'Generosi-tree' which has been created on our Values Board. Children added names of people who they have seen being generous.



LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time (*Platt v Isle of Wright 2017*). The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

The law states a leave of absence may only be granted by a school if an application is made in advance and if it considers there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. Schools must judge each application individually considering the specific facts and circumstances and relevant background context behind each request.

A leave of absence is granted entirely at the school's discretion. Generally, a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation would not constitute an exceptional circumstance.

Where a leave of absence is granted, the school will determine the number of days a pupil can be absent from school.

When making an application for Leave of Absence parents are advised to give sufficient information and time to allow the Head teacher the opportunity to consider all the exceptional circumstances and to notify parents of their decision. The school may also request further information on the application and supporting documentation where appropriate. It is advised that if the resident parent has not received notification or a response regarding the leave of absence application, it is the parents' responsibility to ascertain if the leave is authorised prior to the start of the leave.

The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent i.e. the parent with whom the child normally resides.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child is expected to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. Where a leave of absence is requested, but additional days taken either prior to or after the request may be considered as part of the leave of absence. Leave of Absences which are not made in advance cannot be authorised in line with legislation. This will result in the absence being recorded as 'unauthorised'.

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council. Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices and in the first instance, as an alternative to prosecution proceedings.

Leave of Absence taken in the academic year 2024-25

The law relating to Penalty Notices changed with effect from 19 August 2024. Therefore, Penalty Notices issued for Leave of Absence taken from September 2024 will be issued in accordance with the updated legislation.

- Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices – 4 in total).

- o First Leave of Absence offence: The Penalty Notice amount of £160 to be paid within 28 days, this is reduced to £80 each child if paid within 21 days.

- o Second Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): The amount of £160 paid within 28 days. No reduced amount.

- Payment plans will not be offered and/or payments received outside of the 28 day period will not be accepted. Where a penalty notice expires unpaid the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider criminal prosecution.

- Third Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): A penalty notices will be not be issued and the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal prosecution proceedings under S444 of Education Act 1996. Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority.