



HENLEY C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

31st October 2022

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday Mornings

every week: Jolly Tots in the hall

Monday 31st October:

Children return to school.

Wednesday 2nd

November: Thrive Parent workshops start weekly. Please sign up for these to reserve a place.

Thursday 10th

November: Y6 will lead our Remembrance Service in school at 2.45pm. Parents of Y6 are welcome to attend.

Monday 14th

November: Bikeability sessions for Year 6. Assessment week for all classes.

Friday 25th November:

Tillman Lodge closed today for staff training.

Monday 5th December:

Dress Rehearsal (am)

Wednesday 7th

December (1.30pm) and Thursday 8th December (6pm): School Christmas Productions

Monday 12th December:

KS2 Party afternoon.

Tuesday 13th December:

EYFS and KS1 Party afternoon.

Wednesday 14th

December: School Pantomime in school (am)

Y4/5 Christingle Service in Church at 1.30pm.

Parents of Y4/5 are welcome to attend.

Friday 16th December:

(1.30pm) School Carol Service in school. All welcome!

Break up for Christmas

Holidays

Tuesday 3rd January

2023: Staff Training Day

Wednesday 4th January:

Children return to school.

Autumn Term 2022

- Inset Days: Monday 5th September 2022 and Tuesday 6th September 2022
- Term starts – Wednesday 7th September 2022
- Half-term – Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2022
- Term ends – Friday 16th December 2022

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

Welcome back to another incredibly busy half term. We are continuing with our 'Digging Deep' topic during this next half term. If you want to find out what we are doing in the term, please visit the curriculum pages on our school website ([Curriculum | Henley in Arden Church of England Primary School \(henleyinardenprimary.org.uk\)](http://Curriculum | Henley in Arden Church of England Primary School (henleyinardenprimary.org.uk))).

Next week, Year 6 will be leading our Remembrance Service in school on Thursday 10th November at 2.45pm. Parents of Y6 are welcome to join us. Poppies and memorabilia are on sale daily in the hall this week and next week. Before we know it, we will be deep into our Christmas preparations. This year we will be back in the hall for two whole school productions of 'It's Christmas!'. See dates and times opposite. Costumes, tickets and further information will be sent out soon. Watch this space!

School Council: Congratulations to our newly appointed School Council Representatives: Y6—Jeevan, Frankie and Ava

Y4/5—Jenson and Luke

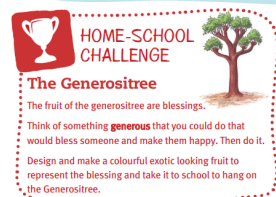
Y2/3—Parker, Millie, Joe and Isabella

Y1—Eliza and Noah

We look forward to working with the team to improve our 'pupil voice' across the school. We have already met to get some constructive and very honest feedback on our Opal play lunchtimes.

Values Home Learning:

Thank you for supporting your children with their recent 'Respect' Values Homework. They are on display and look amazing!



Our value for the next half term is 'Generosity'. Please complete the next homelearning task and send into school by Friday 25th November.

Harvest Festival: Thank you to Year 2/3 for their great performance in St John's Church as they led us through their learning about Harvest and what it meant to them. We saw some fabulous acting and very clear speaking. Well done Y2/3.



Thank you for your donations for the Stratford Foodbank. Thank you to Mrs Flight and Mr Lucas for their weekly singing practice with the whole school in the hall. The singing was lovely

in church and there were lots of positive comments afterwards. Thank you to all of the parents who also helped us to walk to church safely.

Black History focus: Each year, we celebrate the contributions of Black people in our world. The classes have been finding out more about the following: Y1 and Tillman Lodge looked at what happened to Rosa Parks. Y2/3 developed their knowledge of Martin Luther King. Nelson Mandela was the focus for Y4/5; and Y6 are finding out about Windrush. Please talk to your children about their learning.

Parents Evening: Thank you for attending the recent Parents' Evenings in school. Individual targets were given out and strategies to achieve the targets were discussed. These will be reviewed and re-sent out at the end of this term.

Debating and Discussing: Each week the classes are given a debate title to discuss in their classes in order to develop oracy and listening skills. Before half term our question was **'Is Autumn the best season?'**

Our 'Certificate of Achievements' have recently been awarded to the following children:

- Year 6— Joshua, Jay, Noah
- Year 4/5 – William F, Freya, Ollie
- Year 2/3 – Ella, Mila, Joe
- Year 1—Otis, Jack, Archie
- R/N— Rex, Rose, Ada

Our 'Caught being kind' children been awarded to:

- Year 6— Tiffany, Sophie J, Eden
- Year 4/5—Frankie, Stan, Tyler
- Year 2/3 – Olivia, Thomas F, Phoebe
- Year 1— Tilly, Georgia, Eliza
- R/N—Ivy, Arthur, Molly

Our Learning Behaviours—Self Manager certificates have been awarded to:

- Y6— Bobby, Alfie, Scarlett
- Y4/5 –William P, Lexie, Natasha
- Y2/3—Ruari, Thomas B, Parker
- Y1—Alfie, Otis, Eli
- R/N—George, Ruby, Jessie

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

Attendance Trophy has been awarded to: Year 4/5, Y1 and R/N.

Housepoints so far are:

Arden	Beaudesert	DeMontfort
1611	1499	1598

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Jill Allen and Mrs Elaine Field

Heads of School





THINKING ABOUT 'LIVING LIFE IN ITS FULLNESS' ON OUR WELLBEING DAY



The children took part in lots of fun activities on our recent Wellbeing Day— recognising emotions, making feelings faces, friendship bracelets, having a dough disco, yoga, pottery and clay work, mindfulness colouring, nature art, Forest School, making lavender playdough and scented cloud dough; and taking part in Now Press Play.





ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court recently reached a decision in the case of Platt v Isle of Wight Council which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time. The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. 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.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent.

Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required 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, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance can also result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council.

It is important to note, Fixed 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 in the amount of £120 each, totalling £240 for both children, this is reduced to £60 per child if paid within 21 days).

Where a Fixed Penalty Notice is not paid within the required timeframe as set out on the notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal proceedings under S444 Education Act 1996.

Fixed Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices.

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority

Warwickshire School pupils recorded 31,196 half day sessions of absence due to holiday in the Autumn term 2020.