# Historough Green Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter



Focus Value for this half term Unity

Friday 15th March 2024



## A Note from the Headteacher

This week, we watched a video called 'The Joy of Unity' which not only reminded us of the meaning of Unity and how we can all work together to accomplish something, but also explained about having Unity with yourself. The children were able to consider times when they felt uncomfortable because their friends were doing or saying something that they weren't happy about, but they felt 'pulled' to join in with them. The story reminded us that, if we don't feel comfortable doing something, we don't have to do it just because our friends are. We need to feel comfortable with our own decisions.

#### **Reports and ILPs**

Today you will receive a copy of your child's mid-year report via email and a paper copy of their Individual Learning Plan (ILP) if they are on the SEND Register. Our recent letter provides details of how to book a parent-teacher meeting, providing an opportunity for you to discuss your child's strengths and targets with your child's class teacher. If you have not received your child's report by **Monday 18th March**, please contact the office.

### Spring Music Concert

We were incredibly proud of Years 3 and 4, the choir and individual instrumentalists who performed at our Spring Music Concert this week. They sang and played beautifully, and it was wonderful to see the progress of some of our older children as well as the confidence of those children who were performing a solo or for the first time. Well done to everyone who took part and thank you to all who attended.



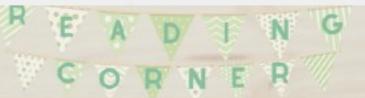






#### Mental Maths

We are very pleased to see that the children's hard work learning multiplication facts is starting to pay off! We have now moved up to 7th place in the local area league of 30 schools on TTRS, with an average time to recall a multiplication fact of 3.21 seconds, only one hundredth of a second behind the school in 6th place. Well done!



This term's topic, Extreme Survival, lends itself to the reading of non-fiction, something that your child may not naturally choose to do. Reading non-fiction allows children to follow their interests and immerse themselves in the subjects they are interested in. It can open up new worlds for children, introducing them to ideas that will broaden their horizons and help them to make sense of the world. If you are interested in adding non-fiction texts to your home reading in line with our topic (KS1 Pole to Pole; LKS2 Mountains & Rivers; UKS2 The Americas), please see the following links for a wide range of age-appropriate texts: <u>https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/top-notch-non-fiction/</u>

<u>https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/new-book-releases/new-childrens-books-spring-2024/</u> <u>https://bookshop.org/lists/best-new-nonfiction-for-children-teenagers-winter-2024</u>

#### **Sporting Events**

Well done to our Year 6 children who participated in The Weald Indoor Athletics Competition this week. They took part in a range of activities against lots of local schools including relays, high jump, triple jump, long jump, javelin and throwing. Miss Greenway reported that they all entered with enthusiasm and supported their teammates well.





### <u>E-Safety</u>

We would like to remind parents and carers to take an active interest in their child's use of the internet and social media. Most apps have an age restriction of 13 or older and are not appropriate for children of primary age. Please be vigilant and talk to your child about their use of social media sites. Our <u>Internet Safety</u> page on our website contains more information and highlights websites explaining how parents can help to keep their child safe in an ever-changing world of technology.



#### Wraparound Care

Please be reminded that DfE guidance for schools regarding wraparound care 2024 states, 'Once you have received a request for wraparound childcare on the school site from a parent, you should engage with the designated local authority wraparound lead and make them aware of the request. The local authority should work with the parent to consider whether there is suitable wraparound provision in the local area.' This is something that we would very much welcome for parents at Wisborough Green. We will forward all recent parent enquiries to West Sussex County Council at the end of term and have already requested more information. We will be in touch when we receive a response. If you would like to make a written parent request to be submitted to WSCC, please email office@wisboroughgreenschool.org.uk and we will include it in our bundle. In the meantime, we have been advised to signpost parents and carers to their local family information service

https://familyinfoservice.westsussex.gov.uk/SynergyWeb/FSD/ which provides information on local childcare

services.

### Road Safety Reminder

We have recently received two reports of inconsiderate/dangerous driving or parking in the village. Please be reminded to park with consideration for residents and other road users and drive carefully, particularly around drop-off and pick-up times, when lots of young children are walking home.

#### Next Week

- Monday 18th Year 5 parent-teacher meetings
- Wednesday 20th am Year 1 parent-teacher meetings
- Wednesday 20th pm Year 6 Football at The Weald
- Wednesday 20th 6pm FGB Meeting
- Thursday 21st Year 6 parent-teacher meetings
- Thursday 21st Year 3/4 Extreme Sleepover at school
- Friday 22nd Reception visit to Washbrooks Farm
- Friday 22nd Year 5/6 Mexico Day

As a Healthy School, we invite children to dress in their own clothes for their birthday, rather than bringing sweets/cakes for their classmates. If their birthday falls on a weekend or during the holidays, please select the nearest appropriate school day. We politely ask that children do not bring party invitations into class, but that parents/carers or children distribute them before or after school. Thank you.



Congratulations to the winner of this week's PTA Cake Raffle!

HOUSE POINTS RED - 151 GREEN - 125 BLUE - 127 YELLOW - 159

For future diary dates, please visit our website's <u>school calendar</u>. Thank you. Stay up to date with all the latest news on our X/Twitter page: @WisGreenPrimary and check our <u>'Local Events'</u> website page.



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