



HILLINGDON NEWS

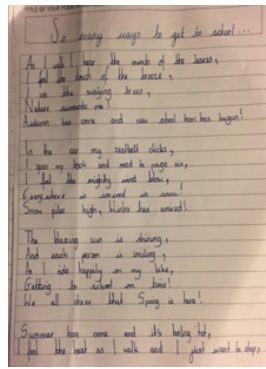
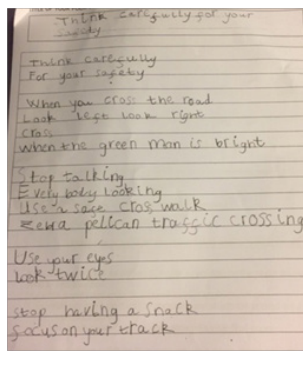
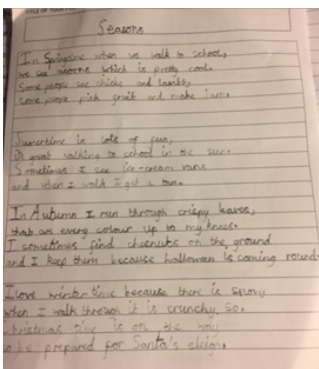
What a fantastic week we have had at HPS! We began the week with a thought-provoking assembly from 4N launching Anti-Bullying week and ended with another marvellous class assembly from 4J, celebrating the work of BBC Children in Need! It has certainly been a busy week, with cake sales, German workshops, Football Tournaments, NSPCC workshops and a first entry into the Quick Sticks Hockey Competition. Thank you to everyone who helped with our fundraising this week; it was lovely to see plenty of homemade T-shirts on Friday and happy children with stacks of cakes on Monday, it was clear a lot of effort from both the children and parents had gone into making it a success. We look forward to welcoming you into the school this week for parent consultations and hope the meetings are informative and helpful in ensuring your child is happy and making excellent progress.

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National Poetry Winners

We were overwhelmed by the number of entries we received for the 'The Road Safety and School Travel Competition'. It was fantastic to see so many of

our children taking on this additional homework challenge over the half-term break. Our three winners that have been sent to represent the school are Salwa (6O), Orla (3Y) and Malak (1E). Well done to everyone who entered the competition; we clearly have some budding poets!



Attendance STARS

WC 14-18th November



every day counts
ATTEND TODAY -
ACHIEVE TOMORROW!

KS1	KS2
2M 99.00%	4N 98.62%
RG 98.33%	5T 98.33%



Anti-Bullying Week



#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

As a school we have embraced the Anti-Bullying week initiative. Across the school children have been taking part in drama workshops, special circle time and many other activities to explore what the week means. 2A would like to tell you about their week...

"In Year 2 we have discussed many forms of bullying and have come up with some very helpful solutions. During circle time in 2A, Laksh suggested that

a victim should keep away from those that upset him or her. Maya suggested that the victim sometimes does not know they have been bullied so they should be told. For instance, our scenario showed a group of friends bullying a girl and her younger sister; the older sister was unaware that she was being bullied by her 'friends'! Alfie suggested telling teachers and parents too. Finally Heshni suggested ringing the NSPCC if bullying carried on and no one listens or is around to listen (Tel 0800 11 11!)."

Children in Need



The Year 3 and 4 cake sale was a huge success! £280 was raised for the NSPCC and Children in Need charities. Thank you to everyone who brought cakes in to sell or bought cakes at the sale!



Look what we've been up to:

Nursery - This week we have been delighted to welcome lots of parents into Nursery as part of our shared learning sessions. The children were thrilled to show their mums or dads around and demonstrate what they do while they are at nursery.



Reception - This week we had a shared learning session for Read Write Inc. Parents came in to see and be part of reception's RWI lesson. The parents and children really enjoyed learning with their parents by their side. The children showed the parents all the things they have in their classrooms too.



Year 1 - Got completely stuck in to Anti-Bullying week and enjoyed taking part in role-play exercises, where we explored what it might feel like to be bullied. The children's understanding grew as they took on the characters of the bully, victim and bystander. It was excellent to hear the children share such thoughtful points and really grow as a year group, considering the power of their words and actions.



Year 2 - This week year 2 have enjoyed celebrating 'Anti-Bullying Week'. 2S had a special visit from Mrs Morris and Mrs Chaplin where we enjoyed playing games and talking about bullying and the different forms that it can take. We discussed our 'Super Powers' that we can use to stop bullying at HPS. Henny's special power is having 'helping hands' to help victims and Sarah's super power is 'Keeping Careful Eyes' to watch out and help her friends. Later in the week we wrote a letter to Emily (fictional), who is unfortunately a victim of bullying. We wrote supportive messages and told her what we would do if we were in her situation. Anis encouraged Emily to 'be brave and tell your teacher, she will help you'. Very wise words indeed!



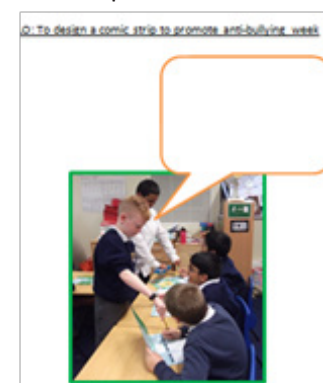
Year 4 - In science, we have started our new topic of Living Things and Their Habitats and the children have been thoroughly enjoying learning all about the different classes of vertebrates and the seven life processes of all living things. We went on a fantastic walk around the school grounds to investigate the different plant and animal habitats that exist right under our noses.



Year 5 - This week was the launch of the performance rehearsals for both year 5 and 6 children. It was excellent to see all of the children up on their feet and enjoying dancing to the music. They soon realised how tough it was going to be- Mrs Serrano has got them in training, squats and

lunges are top of the agenda! We were very proud of the year group and their approach to the sessions, a very supportive and encouraging environment was established. We can't wait to see the performance evolve.

Year 6 - Year 6 have been thinking about how they can use their 'Power for Good' during this anti-bullying week. They had an informative workshop from the NSPCC on Tuesday. The children had to explore some challenging concepts and dealt with them with maturity and sensitivity. They have also enjoyed using drama to start to create their own anti-bullying comic strips. It was great to see them working together and focusing on the skills of listening and cooperation.



Tackling New Challenges



This term our KS2 children have been lucky enough to learn hockey during some of their PE sessions and during lunch time sport zone. On Friday 6 of our sporting superstars donned their mouth guards and shin pads and set off for the

Quick Sticks Hockey Competition. The chilly weather didn't dampen our spirits and as we arrived at the pitch, we were eager to show the other schools what we were made of! We warmed up with a 5-0 victory against Hermitage Primary School, before winning their other three group games (4-0, 2-1 and 4-0). 30 teams started and only 8 were left.

The quarterfinals were on and we were playing against a very strong St. Helens team. We lost only by one goal in a very competitive game where our children showed courage and perseverance. A great result for Hillingdon Primary School in a new tournament for us.

The Language Magician

Year 4 are very privileged to be taking part in an exciting Europe-wide project called 'The Language Magician', which is an online assessment tool for Primary Modern Foreign Languages. We are one of only 8 UK schools working with the Goethe Institute, London, to help develop the game, which we will be able to use, for free, in school from summer 2018. This week, 4J and 4F took part and 4N will have their turn in a couple of weeks. The two visiting staff commented on how wonderful our children were. They said that they were impressed at how engaged they were in the game, how well they listened and especially how great the children were at 'having a go', even when the language became quite tricky. The children said: 'I was really excited because I wanted to see how far I could get;' 'It was really fun'; 'I think lots of other children would like to play it in the

future;' 'It was a fun way to learn things as well.' Ms Devons was really proud of the children and cannot wait to be able to access the game to help her with her language lessons. The ladies from the Goethe Institute will be visiting us again in the late spring to see how our German has progressed.



Extending Language Learning

If your child would like to practise their German at home, or even learn another language, we recommend the following free website: memrise.com. You need to register with an email address, then search the courses for: deutschmittelfix und franzi. This has been set up by the Goethe Institute to give children the opportunity to practise the vocabulary learnt in school. You might even find yourself trying to learn with them!

Reminders

Carol Concert

Thank you for returning the reply slips for the Carol Concert on Thursday 8th December. As in previous years we are looking for parent helpers to support us with the journey down to the church. If you think you may be able to support us, please speak with your child's teacher. As the letter states, room in the church is limited, but we will do our best to seat helpers where we can.



Parent Satisfaction Survey

The governors recently wrote to invite you to complete a Parent Satisfaction Survey, to gather your views on what you feel we are doing well and areas where you think we could develop. A reminder that there will be opportunities to complete these during the parent consultation evenings on Tuesday and Thursday this week.