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TERM 1 – 3rd November 2023













Dear All.

And we're back! I sincerely hope you all had a wonderful break. We have had a super first week of term 2 and the children have all been bright-eyed and bushy-tailed this week!

As you all know, school is all about learning, learning and more learning. Every minute of every day your children are learning - this can be specific things (learning how to read, or understanding place value for example) through to how to take turns or play respectfully with their friends - learning is at the heart of what is each and every day in our school.

If there is anything you would like us to support you with to help support learning at home, please let us know, we are always happy to help and give you ideas of what you can be doing at home to best support your child along their learning journey.

Coffee with the Head is going to be in two weeks time, date to be confirmed ASAP - I would love to see as many of you as possible to have a catch up with you.

Have a good few weeks. Thank you for your continued support.

Emma Barker

LUNCHES FOR TERM 2

We apologise for any confusion or issues with school lunches this week. We are working closely with Aspens to ensure that there are no further issues.

RWI MEETING

Mrs Baltzer will be holding a Read Write Inc meeting on Tuesday 7th November at 4pm. All Reception and Year 1 parents/carers are invited to come along to get some tips and guidance on how best to support your child with their phonics and reading progression.



REMEMBRANCE

From Monday 6th November, there will be Poppys and other Poppy Appeal merchandise to purchase in the School Office. All funds go to the Royal British Legion.

Buzzard Class have produced some beautiful and thought provoking Remembrance art work that will be displayed in the Pawlett Royal British Legion for everyone to see. Please feel free to pop in and have a look – they really are lovely.



Our year 6 pupils will be visiting the Royal British Legion next Wednesday for their Coffee morning remembrance service.

ODD SOCK DAY

We are inviting pupils and staff to take part in Odd Sock Day again this year which will be held on Monday 13th November.

Odd Socks Day is a fun event that encourages people to embrace individuality, celebrating differences and promoting acceptance of diversity.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

November

4th - RWI meeting with Mrs Baltzer

8th – Year 6 Remembrance service at Royal British Legion

9th – School tour for Reception 2024 starters

13th – Odd sock day for Anti-bullying Week

13th – 17th – Anti-bullying Week

20th – 24 – Road Safety Week



Important dates for December will be released next week.

SAFEGUARDING

If you have any Safeguarding concerns or just need to speak to a member of Staff confidentially you can book an appointment with our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Emma Barker or our Deputy Safeguarding Leads, Lesley Grant or Sally Jeffries. Please get in touch with the school office to arrange this.







TPLT CHARITY OF THE YEAR

We are continuing with the Foodbank for TPLTs Charity of the Year. There is a food collection point in our School Office foyer.



If you would like to find out more about the Foodbank, please visit their website at https://highbridgearea.foodbank.org.uk/

READING CAFE

Reading Café dates for Term 2 are below:

Wednesday 8th, Thursday 16th, Friday 24th, Monday 27th November **PM**Tuesday 5th December **PM**Wednesday 13th December **AM**

FRIDAY CELEBRATIONS

It's that special day of the week where we celebrate our wins of the week!

Not only do we celebrate great learning and kindness in the classroom, we now also recognise when kindness is shown in the playground.

Week 1 Hot Chocolate –

Heron – Ario

Kestrel - Arla

Buzzard - Jack

Play time - Sienna

Learning Champion –

Heron - Wilfred

Kestrel – Jack

Buzzard - Lou, Esme and Tristan



FCO NEWSLETTER

As we make a start on our new Eco initiatives for this year, we would like to welcome back the Eco Newsletter! Here we will keep you updated with what we are doing in school to be more eco-friendly, as well as giving you hints and tips for becoming more eco friendly at home.

ECO WARRIORS

Our Eco Warriors after school club have been exploring Healthy Living and how our actions can affect the environment around us. They then created profiles of themselves and what they do to ensure they are living a healthy life. From getting plenty of sleep to cycling bikes, we shared lots of great ideas!





Next week we will be sowing flower seeds which will be ready in the spring to plant in our sensory garden. There are still plenty of spaces in our Eco Warriors club on Thursdays. If your child would like to get involved, please let the school office know.

GOING GREEN TIPS FOR CHILDREN

Persil are always looking for new ways to become more eco friendly and love to share ideas. They believe that eco-living knowledge will help our children be a generation of change.



They have 5 top tips to help teach your children about eco-friendly living.

- Rubbish chores. Create individual bins and boxes and allow children to decorate and label each one to separate plastic bottles, glass, paper, general waste, food and more. Have discussions about the benefits of recycling.
- 2. Go for a walk. Not only is this healthy and greener than driving, theres lots you can do make walking fun for children! Talk about how your actions can impact nature and talk about the environment around you.
- 3. Change up your diet. Grow your own, shop for locally sources food and even eat less meat. Teach your children how to go greener and minimise food miles.
- 4. Get crafty. There are many ways to go green with recycled crafts. Raid the recycling bin for a plastic bottle to make a homemade bird feeder. Use offcuts of paper from other crafts to create new paper. You could even make seed paper with scraps of paper and flower seeds, plant them and watch them grow!
- 5. Create your own scientific experiments. Have two cups, filled approximately halfway with plain water. Add a few drops of food colouring (fruit squash would work too!) to one of the cups. Now you can show them that by adding extra clean water, you cant change it back, and if you add the coloured water to the second cup both become polluted. You can use this experiment to talk about pollution and climate change.

For more great ideas on how to become more eco friendly at home, why not visit https://www.persil.com/uk/dirt-is-good/daily-activities.html to learn more about inspiring environmental play.