

# **Newsletter No 7 - 21 October 2022**

# Holiday Dates -

October Half Term - Monday 24 October - Friday 28 October 2022

Last Day of Autumn Term - Tuesday 20th December 2022. School closes at 1:30pm

Return to School - Thursday 5th January 2023

**February Half Term** - Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February 2023

## PA News:

Save the dates:

31st October - Non-uniform/Fancy dress 11th November - HINS and HJS annual Fireworks Night - ticket order forms available soon. 26th November - HINS Christmas Fayre 11am-2:30pm

15th December - After School Reception/Yr1/Yr2 Christmas Disco's

#### Dates for your Diary -

31st October - National Magic Day—Non uniform day

3rd November - Open Evening for 2023/24 intake 3:45pm-6pm.

8th and 10th November - Parent/Teacher Meetings

9th November - Extra Nursery Parent/Teacher Meetings

10th November - Remembrance Day Assembly

14th November - Odd Socks Day

18th November - Children in Need Non-Uniform Day

21st November - World Cup Starts

21st November - Flu Immunisations—Electronic consent forms will be sent nearer the time.

23rd November - PE Character Event

7th December - Bedtime Stories

12-16th December - Christmas Performances

14th December - Christmas Dinner

19th December - Christmas Parties

#### Achievers of the Week -

**Explorers:** Hugo

Stars: Clara Moons: Ronnie Y Rockets: Louie

Planets: Ranya Astronauts: Xander Flying Saucers: Finley

Galaxies: Buster Asteroids: Matilda Satellites: Amelia-Rose

## Attendance Heroes -

Planets: Lilly Astronauts: Thea Flying Saucers: James

Galaxies: Felicity Asteroids: Stanton Satellites: Ava

## **LUNCH MENU – WEEK COMMENCING 31ST OCTOBER 2022**

Monday – Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza with Pasta and Red Pesto or Jacket Potato with Cheese or Tuna and Fruit Platter

<u>Tuesday</u> – Chicken or Quorn Korma with Wholegrain Rice served with Green Beans and Naan Bread and Chocolate Sponge and Custard.

<u>Wednesday</u> – Roast Chicken or Herby Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding, Peas, Cauliflower Cheese and Gravy with Frozen Mousse.

<u>Thursday</u> – Macaroni Cheese and Garlic Bread with Broccoli or Jacket Potato with Cheese or Tuna and Garlic Bread With Peaches and Cream

Friday – Fish Cake or Omelette, Chips, Sweetcorn and Peas with Shortbread Biscuit

## News ...

We are sad to announce that Mrs Hutchinson-Khupe is leaving us this week but pleased to say she is moving on to a promotion working for a local Multi Academy Trust. A lot of her work is done behind the scenes supporting Mrs Cain and the head-teacher, ordering supplies and too many other responsibilities to mention. She was also a vital element in our COVID response and has often stepped in to support Nursery lunchtimes when needed. She's an all -round superhero and will be missed. We want to thank Mrs Hutchinson-Khupe for everything she has done for the school and families over the last few years and we wish her good luck in her new role.

Mrs Davis has been appointed to the Business Support role in Mrs Hutchinson-Khupe's place so will be leaving Moons class. Mrs Banham will be working in Moons class for the rest of the academic year, alongside Mrs Axcell, and has already had several chances to get to know the children this half-term. We hope they will both enjoy their new roles.

Thomas the Gorilla came for a visit on Wednesday. There were two separate assemblies for KS1 and Early Years where some children got the chance to tickle his hand or have a hug and others were brave enough to try to get past a blind-folded Thomas to collect a ball, hoping that he couldn't hear or smell them. During the rest of the day Year 1 and 2 classes worked in groups with a green screen to make short animations of their group and Thomas or other animals in the rainforest. It was a great day with wonderful cross-curricular learning about conservation,

science, drama and computing.





This afternoon our Conservation / Recycle Week concluded with an exhibition event. Each class displayed lots of the work they have done this week in their rooms and all the children walked around each class in turn to see the whole variety of work. There were bird feeders, robots, sensory boards, rainforest models, eco-bricks, posters and all kinds of writing from labels to information sheets.

Have a fabulous half-term break and see you back on 31st October dressed in your magic themed clothes.

National Magic Day - Our first day back after half-term on 31st December will be a non-uniform day. The theme has been chosen to match our National Magic Day which we will be celebrating in school. In return for coming in non-school uniform donations are welcome for the Christmas Fayre. Please see the poster for more details.

**New Winter Menu** - We have a new menu starting after half term on 31st October. We return on Week 1. You will be able to find the new menu under Kool Kids Café - Winter Menu 2022/23 on the school website. It is also attached to this newsletter.

Telephone lines—We apologise for the problems you may have encountered with our telephone system this week. Thankfully we were able to divert one of our phone lines to the school mobile phone so most parents who needed to were able to contact us. Thank you for using seesaw instead as needed. We have done everything we can our end so hopefully the problem will be resolved by BT soon.

**Little Wandle** - Please see the attached leaflet from Little Wandle. It provides some pointers to parents about the importance of reading stories and a few tips for reading together.