

# The Hawksworth Herald

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### **Star Pupils**

#### Class 1

Archie M for being such an enthusiastic learner and trying so hard with all his work.

Poppy G for her amazing independent writing. Poppy has been writing pages and pages of her news, including her tricky words and writing beautiful sentences.

#### Class 2

Kingsley M for fantastic reasoning in Maths.

Alfie M for fantastic general knowledge.

#### Class 3

Saffron A for her outstanding work across all subjects. She has contributed confidently in all lessons and has shared some excellent work and ideas this week. Saffron has shown excellent attitude to learning and demonstrated the Mental Health focus this year, of resilience and brilliant attitude to learning. Well done Saffron!

Sam P has worked incredibly hard this week across all subject areas. He has demonstrated excellent work in partition addition whilst writing a fantastic poem following National Poetry day. Sam is setting a brilliant example in Class 3 both through his behaviour and his work. Well done Sam!

#### Class 4

Erin H for her fabulous rhyming and poetry writing skills. Islay D for her fabulous rhyming and poetry writing skills.

## **Class News**

# Class 1

This week has been a very colourful week!! For National Poetry Day on Wednesday we read the poem 'What is Pink?'. We looked at rhyme in the poem and all the different colours in the story. Year 1 wrote their own colour poems and Reception worked hard ordering sentences and matching pictures. On Thursday for Mental Health awareness day, we then moved onto another colour story called, 'The Colour Monster'. We explored feelings and did some more wonderful writing. We have also learnt a colour dance which everyone has really enjoyed - please see Tapestry for video evidence!

We have been reading the creation story in RE and learning about what a wonderful world God created.

We've all been great mathematicians, year 1 have been solving problems and working on number bonds to 10. While reception have been exploring the numbers 1-3 and the different ways to represent them.

We rounded off the week continuing our Literacy and Topic work about castles and the story Zog by Julia Donaldson.

Special mention to Alice S in Class one. Alice has wowed us with her diary that she has been writing at home for months. Alice began her diary in April and she brought it in to show us this week. The progress you can see over the months is amazing. We are really proud of you Alice- keep up the good work.



A proud Alice!

#### Class 2

We have read the story of Snow White this week, looking at character portrayals in the story and writing character descriptions. We have been practising our cursive handwriting daily, trying to transfer this practice into our Literacy books. It's definitely a challenge! In Maths, we have been re-capping 2D shapes looking to find which we could see in the school grounds, sorting shapes by their properties and finding lines of symmetry. We had to answer the question 'Does the number of sides on a shape match the number of lines of symmetry?' Do you know the answer? We had some great discussions during our mental health activities on Thursday thinking about how things we say and do can affect other people and that saying one nice thing to a person each day will make them feel good inside. We think that's a great motto to live by!

## Class 3

We have had a very busy week in Class 3 celebrating both National Poetry Day and Mental Health Day. This week I would like to share with you two examples of the poetry we wrote in Class 3. The theme this year was 'Vision' and we focussed our learning around the poem by Tom Foolery; The Great Realisation. We wrote our own version of this poem and how we can turn even the darkest, strangest of times into something positive. We also continued our learning on partition addition showing this in a variety of ways and answering difficult word challenges around this. In Literacy this week we wrote Fronted Adverbials expressing Time, Manner and Place. In RE this week we have learnt about our wonderful world and how Christian's beliefs may affect the way we care for our world.



# Class 4

This week has been a change of routine for Class 4 with the excitement of World Poetry Day on Wednesday and World Mental Health Day on Thursday and Friday. The class watched *The Great Realisation* by Tom Foolery, before using rhyming couplets to produce their own Covid-19 and the year 2020 related poems. The creativity shown was outstanding which has made the Stars of the Week hard to select! We also practised some note-taking whilst engaging in some virtual reality by pretending we were competing in the downhill mountain bike race we watched from Medellin, Colombia. During RE, we thought about how knowing God is a personal journey for Christians and we continued our double page spread on Anglo-Saxons in Humanities.

# **Kestrels Before and After School Club News**

Did you know?

- A shark's sense of smell is 10,000 times better than a human's
- Some sharks have as many as 3000 teeth
- Sharks never sleep and never stop swimming

In Kestrels this week the children have had fun learning more about sharks. We created our own 3d sharks showing off our great cutting skills and followed instructions very well. We read the "Shark in the park" books and made our own park tuff tray using items we found in the playground. We made telescopes to see what we could find in the classroom and playground, both Miss Hewitt and Mrs Lister were relieved there were no sharks to be found! In Breakfast club we started to watch David Attenborough's "Our Planet" we started with Coastal Seas but found it so interesting we are exploring different episodes.







#### **House Points**

House	Total
Eagles	57
Falcons	36
Vultures	42
Condors	28

## School Attendance (School target set by Leeds is 97%)

Class	%
Class 1	98%
Class 2	100%
Class 3	100%
Class 4	96%

#### **School News**

#### **Adverts**

After half-term there will be an opportunity for local firms to advertise in the newsletter. Any parents who would be interested in advertising their own firm or work for a local firm that would be interested, please email the school office before half-term. The newsletter goes to 296 emails but is also read on the school website and app by many more. School would charge £5 for an advert space.

#### **Sanitiser**

As most schools are experiencing reduced budgets, it is no surprise we are too. Since the start of March and lockdown we have invested heavily in sanitiser, soap, anti-bacterial wipes, PPE equipment, covid-19 spray etc but the stocks deplete very quickly and we have spent around £1,600 pounds so far (and the amount continues to rise). This extra expense comes out of the allocated school budget and as the Department of Education will only allow claims on the following three areas:

- increased premises related costs of keeping schools open over school holiday periods, for vulnerable children and children of critical workers
- support for free school meal (FSM) children who are not attending school, other than through the national voucher scheme
- additional cleaning, over and above existing cleaning arrangements, where you have a suspected or confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19)

This has led many schools to ask parents to provide their child with hand sanitiser. We do have stocks left and I will continue to replace the stock but if parents could help us to make our stocks last for longer...it would be greatly appreciated.

# **Speeding**

Following the car accident in Hawksworth due to speeding I have written to our local MP and councillors. I would like to thank those parents who have also taken time to write emails. Hopefully, these communiques will lead to some positive action.

## Lights, camera...action

Today we had Aidan Metcalfe, a talented freelance cameraman, to record footage of the inside of the school and classes. Due to Covid – 19 restrictions we obviously cannot have our usual Open Days for prospective parents so to compensate for this we have updated our drone footage on the school website and today...invested in a video of the school interior.

# https://www.aidanmetcalfe.co.uk/







## **Titus Learning**

A huge thank you to Titus Learning, an award-winning company based in Saltaire, who have provided the school with lots of free paper and books for the children. This is a lovely gesture and much appreciated!





Halloween Sponsored Fun Run

**Dear Parents** 

As you will all be aware, the Friends fundraising efforts this year have all been thwarted because of Covid. As we will be unable to run the popular Torchlight Trail this year, we have organised for a Halloween Sponsored Fun Run for all pupils instead. This will be completed during their normal PE lesson with Mr Hall on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020.

As most Halloween events and parties have had to be cancelled; and to add an extra obstacle to the challenge, school have agreed that the children can all wear their Halloween outfits (instead of PE kits) on that day. Obviously not too much face paint and nothing too scary (thinking we do not want to frighten the little Reception children or Mr Norris too much!).

Don't worry though, if you haven't got an outfit this year or the children don't want to dress up – then the Friends will have some masks in school they can use to feel part of the event.

Key Stage One children will be challenged to run 1km and Key Stage Two children to run 2km; whilst dressed in their Halloween outfits.

We would be most grateful if you would kindly sponsor your child and donate to the Friends using the online platform set up for the event; as well as sharing the donation page amongst your family and friends, so they can sponsor the pupils too.

Please, please don't forget to tick the Gift Aid box if you are eligible as Friends will get an extra 25p for every £1 that you donate.

https://www.gofundme.com/f/halloween-sponsored-fun-run

Thanking you in advance for your support,

The Friends of Hawksworth

# #HelloYellow

Thank you to Mrs Gallagher (Learning Mentor and HLTA) for again planning and overseeing this year's #HelloYellow day which was thoroughly enjoyed by the children and helped to raise vital funds for the charity *YoungMinds*, who do so much good work for children and teenagers across the UK. Mrs Gallagher would like to thank those parents, school staff and Governors who contributed donations to our JustGiving page which was set up especially, to support this worthy charity. Through your generous contributions the Hawksworth family raised:

# £167 plus £41.25 of Gift Aid...well done everyone!





























# **School News feeds**

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Have a relaxing weekend!

Mr Dale Norris BA (Hons) QTS Headteacher

















