



### A MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

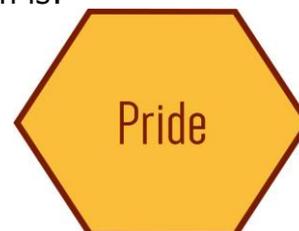
As we edge closer to the end of this half term, I would remind all parents about the importance of social distancing outside of the school gates. We know that keeping our distance from others can help lower the rate of transmission and ultimately keep you and your children safe. We would encourage parents in the morning to take advantage of the 15 minute drop off period which means that for some they do not need to be at school until just before 9am. It is also important that once you have seen your child safely into school that you do not congregate outside of the school grounds. Both Percy and Ashley road are particular busy in the morning and we do not want to cause the pavements to become over crowded. Attached with News Notes this week is a letter from Miss Harden. She has been supporting all the teachers in developing the use of Google Classroom. This is our new home learning platform which will be used if any class is sent home for a period of isolation. To ensure families are ready for this possibility, a home learning task has been set for all pupils to complete over the next few weeks. Please do login and complete the task. Your child's login details can be found in their home school diary. If you have any questions please do contact your teacher via e-mail or through the Google Classroom platform.

**Mr.James**

### HJS PRINCIPLES

Each month the school will focus on a different principle.

This month is:



### EXCELLENCE CERTIFICATES

The following children were presented with a special '**pride**' certificate by Mr James last Friday.

3E	<b>Dunya Noori</b>
3H	<b>River Silbery</b>
3MA	<b>Inaya Nicolaou</b>
3S	<b>Abdul Said</b>
4C	<b>Tegan Shearman-Dagge</b>
4DA	<b>Lisa Shehu</b>
4G	<b>Marieke Harris</b>
4W	<b>Raif Stewart</b>
5H	<b>Blake Sanderson</b>
5N	<b>Emma Szucs</b>
5P	<b>Ivy Smith</b>
6G	<b>Samuel Renno</b>
6M	<b>Ava Franklyn</b>
6S	<b>Wyatt Glenn</b>

### STARS OF THE WEEK

3E	<b>Jaydon Macanda-Lyn</b>	★
3H	<b>Oscar Canham</b>	
3MA	<b>Artie Hill</b>	★
3S	<b>Sebastian Emmett</b>	
4C	<b>Rajan Deol</b>	★
4DA	<b>Amelie Meare</b>	
4G	<b>Dylan Cotton</b>	★
4W	<b>Shaffay Saqib</b>	
5H	<b>Siani Elfick</b>	★
5N	<b>Chanel Newton</b>	
5P	<b>Ellie Tomkins</b>	★
6G	<b>Emilia Nelson</b>	
6M	<b>Rupert Mattia-Ruggiero</b>	★
6S	<b>Erin Kelly</b>	

### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR AWARD

The School Council award recognises examples of outstanding behaviour across the school.

<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Freddie Burnett</b>	<b>3H</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Aleks Musievski</b>	<b>4C</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Emilie Rivera-Taylor</b>	<b>5N</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Edward Horn</b>	<b>6G</b>

## SCIENCE

4W enjoying their Earthquake and Volcano workshop.



## GEOGRAPHY

Mapping and orienteering extravaganza!

Year 3 and Year 6 practising their compass skills and enjoying their orienteering lesson. They loved using their maps and looking for clues.



## **PARENT INFORMATION**

### **NEW HEAD OF SCHOOL**

Mr Patrick Tidd, who will be taking over from Mr James in January, will be starting his transition visits next week.

He will be on the school gates for morning drop off on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October and would be delighted to meet as many of you as possible.

Mr Tidd will be writing a more formal introductory letter at a later date.

### **EQUIPMENT IN SCHOOL**

Thank you to those parents who have supported us by fully naming everything your child brings into school. If this isn't the case there is a risk items will not be returned to them when they lose them which can be very upsetting for them and costly for you. All children need a named reusable water bottle and their school bag. They also need to ensure that their pencil case is fully stocked with the required items as children are no longer able to share with each other. Bikes and Scooters can once again be stored in the storage area of both schools. If your child is bringing a bike to HJS, please ensure they have their cycle licence which will need to be completed before they can do that.

Please contact the school admin team for further information.



### **SPONSORED WALK**

Thank you very much to those that have already very generously donated. We have only had 183 families give so far but it's not too late. Please use the link below:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/FOHJS2020>

## **GOOGLE CLASSROOM- FEEDBACK FROM PARENTS:**

*"It was fantastic! We found it to be user friendly and my son was eager to get going this morning, and especially pleased to get to be in pyjamas! Mrs. Gale was at the ready for answering questions, which was very helpful as well. I have no complaints. I love that he can direct his own learning with it (not needing much assistance from us!) and be held accountable by turning in his work. He was even keen to read for a half hour after finishing work (this is something to be celebrated as it can often be a battle of wills)."*

*"I just wanted to say that today has gone brilliantly, my son has found Google classroom really easy to navigate. As a parent I think it's fabulous and sooo much better than the worksheets from last term, the structure was really clear and we found your video at the start of the day really helpful (BTW, also loved the one on long division - everyday is a school day!)."*

*"My son enjoyed the format, it is definitely much much better than downloading tasks from the website, especially being able to message Mrs Gale directly (he messaged a few times when he had problems and got quick responses). Both of us like that he actually submits the work, he has received feedback today on the work submitted which is invaluable."*

*"I just wanted to say thanks for the google classroom work. It is very clear and easy for Sam to follow and he is enjoying working through it.*

*Many thanks for getting it all set up so quickly!!"*

*I've downloaded the app to my phone so I can easily see what needs to be done, and see any messages that come through. I've found the structure and format really simple to follow and finding and accessing documents as well as uploading work has been really intuitive. The chat function also works really well and I know my son has found it useful to check in when he's had the odd question."*

## MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL BEING

Positive mental health doesn't happen by accident. Mental health just like physical health, needs to be nurtured and sustained. Imagine if you were to stop eating or exercising, your physical health would decline. Likewise if you do not nurture your mental well-being, you are asking a lot of yourself to survive life's ups and downs without some ill-effect.

Most of us can cope when things are going well. The real test of our well-being comes when life throws us a curve ball or when stress is sustained for a period of time; you will be more resilient if you already have some supportive practices in place. As we face the possibility of further restrictions over the up-coming half term, we'd like to share a short activity that many of the children regularly complete at school.

**Find somewhere quiet to sit where you won't be interrupted.**

**Sit up straight, and lower your gaze. Focus on your breathing. Be aware of your breath as you inhale and exhale. Holding out one hand, slowly trace your index finger up the outside of your thumb as you inhale. Continue tracing your finger slowly around your thumb, exhaling as your finger goes down the other side. Keep tracing up and down your fingers, breathing in as you move up and exhaling as your finger moves down. Move your finger slowly in time with your breathing until you have traced around all of your fingers.**

**Notice how you feel.**

Mrs. Aarons and Mrs. Woolf

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>OCTOBER</b>		
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	School Harvest Celebrations in class bubbles	
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Immunisations	
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 visit Butser Farm visit	
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Climbing wall day 2 days	<b>Whole school</b>
	<b>Half-Term</b>	
	<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October</b>	
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Juniper Hall visits for 2 days	
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Tudor Day	
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Egyptian Day	

## UPDATE FROM SGN

"In consultation with Richmond upon Thames Council, we have agreed to finish upgrading our network at the junction with Tudor Road and safely remove our temporary lights, by the end of next week. We will then return on Monday 16 November to replace our gas mains at the junction with Ashley Road and Milton Road.

It will be necessary to suspend parking bays where Ashley Road and Milton Road meet while we complete the work in November. However, we are hopeful we can carry out this final section of work without needing to install temporary traffic lights.

We would like to thank residents, businesses and road users for their continued patience and understanding while we carry out this essential work."