



## SCHOOL NEWS

### 12th March 2021

It was wonderful to have all of the children back in school on Monday and the colourful balloons made it extra special for all of us. A special thank you to HISNA for organising these – it really did mark the occasion. I have enjoyed seeing the classes full and have been impressed by how well the children have settled back into school life. Thank you so much for supporting your children to return to school in such a positive way.

World Book Day was enjoyed by all last week – it was great to see the children dressed up and hear them talking about the books that inspired their costume. “*The Masked Reader*” was a particular highlight. A huge thank you to Miss Dayton and Mr Hoy for all their hard work on putting this together. The Wooden Spoon competition really showcased the children’s creative skills, we have displayed lots of the photos on the World Book Day display in school.

Next week we have parent consultation meetings. Please refer to the guidance that we have sent out and give yourself time to log on so that you are ready for your appointment before it begins as each appointment is 10 minutes.

Finally, thank you for following the school guidance regarding the drop off and pick up routines. I would like to remind you all of the expectations during these busy times of the day and include some key points below:

**Staggered Times:** We continue to ask that parents only attend school at the allocated times and one adult per child when dropping or collecting.

**Pick up:** Please arrive promptly for your child’s pick up time and line up on the yellow footprints in your child’s class line. Please do not call your child from your place in the line - **your child will be released to you when you are at the front of a line.**

**Face coverings:** We ask that you wear a face covering, if you are unable to be socially distanced from others. As a school we cannot enforce this as our focus is getting the children in and away from school safely. We ask that as adults you take responsibility for ensuring you wear a face covering if you are unable to socially distance from others.

**Social distancing:** A local resident has raised concerns about the number of parents congregating outside the school in the morning and after school. Please continue to be mindful of social distancing. The staggered drop off and collection times are to enable us to reduce the number of adults on site and to support social distancing. Please be mindful of this when entering the school gates, whilst in the playground and when leaving.

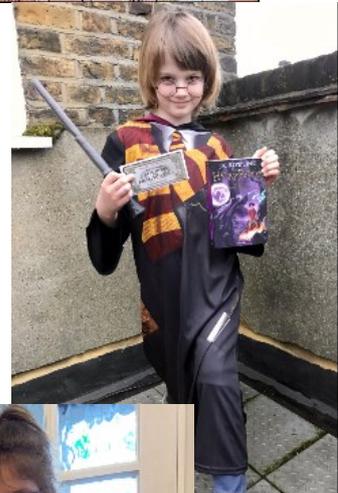
**Claire Tester- Head of School**



# WBD 2021

Wow HISN children and staff dressed up and looked brilliant in their book character costumes—what a happy lively day it was.





## Certificates of Excellence w/c 01.02.21

**Nursery All Stars** this week are those children who came in dressed as characters from a book - especially those children who brought the book into school to show

**The certificates of excellence have been awarded to children for Positive attitude to learning in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.**

RD – Cruz Moore / Isabella Allen

RF – Saifan Majidi / Emilia Donaldson

RJ – Oliver Hogg / May Trestain

RY – Maya Forder / Cheith Siyabaldewa Pathitanage

1C – Eris Wilkinson / Ria Deol

1H – Olivia Kulesza / Oliver Rhodes

1K – Mataeo Trifu and Ruby Keyes

1W – Jasmine Minhas / Amber Thomas

2D – Samuel Lewys-Lloyd / Zoe Anderson- Gibbs

2S – Mikayla Jambawo / Oliver Brice

2P – Audrey Rowan / Rory Mills-Collard

2T – Stanley Fox / Magda Mahgoub

## Certificates of Excellence w/c 08.02.21

**Nursery 'All Stars'** this week have been fantastic worm detectives

Certificates of Excellence this week focused on positive behaviour in year 1 and year 2 and Topics work in Reception.

RD – Edie Angeli

RF – Stanley Lowe

RJ – Aarvi Malhotra

RY—Rose More

1C – Heba Ahmadyer

1H – Benjamin Roberts

1K – Hanna Aladhal

1W – Nishsa Ramanan

2D – Leon Seferi

2S – Francis Clarke

2P – Camille Gray

2T – Scarlett Stickland

**Well Done**



Next Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March, we will be supporting Comic Relief. We would like the children to come into school dressed as a super hero (preferably homemade). A minimum donation of £1 per family can be left in the collection buckets at the gates on drop off and pick up.

# NURSERY



The children have learned lots about worms. We learned they have many hearts and bristles. We observed their behaviour as they slithered through the soil, munched on leaves and burrowed their way down in the soil. The children are eagerly watching and waiting for their beans to germinate and have made their recycled newspaper pots ready to sow their sunflower seeds!



# RECEPTION



Hello!

After all the excitement of seeing all the children dressed up for World Book Day, we couldn't wait to everyone back in the classroom again. And what a super week we have had back at school! It has been so lovely to see all our classmates, and to play with our friends again has been wonderful.



In play, we have been exploring things that grow in the ground and have been fascinated by our story of the week, 'Yucky Worms!'. But are worms really yucky? As we started reading the book and as we found more and more interesting facts about worms, most of us decided that they weren't so yucky after all! We discovered that worms have 5 hearts, and did you know that they breathe through their skin? We were so intrigued by these slimy creatures, we went outside with our magnifying glasses to go on a mini beast hunt around the playground looking for creepy crawlies, bugs and slugs and noticed we have



really loved being insect detectives this week and we look forward to finding out what we could be next week!



# YEAR 1

Year 1 had a fantastic 'World Book Day'. The teachers dressed up as the characters from The Wizard of Oz and children did amazing with their well thought out costumes; we loved them all. The children at home and in school really enjoyed watching the masked readers and guessing which teacher read which book. The children also got to design a wooden spoon based on their favourite book character, we had lots of really creative designs.

We have been focusing on 'Handa's Surprise' for English this week, sequencing the story and writing simple sentences using colourful semantics. We have also completed some Math and Phonic quizzes along the way.

The teachers have been extremely happy to have all the children back into school and the children have settled in amazingly, it's like they have never been away! All the children deserve a big cuddle and pat on the back as they have worked exceptionally hard on their first full week back. We are all excited to carry on the positive start as we continue towards Easter!



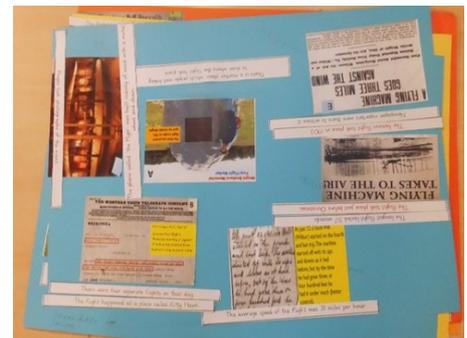
# YEAR 2

Welcome back Year 2! It is wonderful to have all the children back in the classroom again. The children have quickly settled back into routine and are very keen to dive straight back into all of the lovely learning we have planned for the rest of the term. The children are demonstrating great enthusiasm and resilience to continue being the best they can be in everything they do even though it is only their first week back. The Year 2 team are so proud of all the children and how they have quickly responded to being back in school.

Last week we celebrated World Book Day and it was a true delight to see both the children in school and at home dressed up as their favourite characters. From Cat in the Hat to Hermione Granger the children thoroughly enjoyed bringing their character to life both in costume and wooden spoon art. We had the joy of sharing pictures of our costumes and wooden spoons upon the whole year group return on Monday alongside Miss Tester's live assembly.

This week we have focused on the importance of friendship and showing respect whilst encouraging the children to participate in group work and team challenges.

In history the children are enjoying our new topic 'Incredible Inventions', learning about the Wright brothers inventing the very first plane to successfully take



flight through doing a group activity. In science each class has planted bean seeds to help us see what plants need to grow healthily. Over the next few weeks we will be recording our observations of what our bean plants look like and how they have changed.



## School Travel Update

It has been a joy welcoming all of our pupils back to school this week, and even better to see so many walking, scooting and cycling to school! It remains a key priority to increase the amount of active travel to and from school, and we strongly encourage parents and carers to consider this option whenever possible. We have spent time this week talking to the children about the benefits of keeping active, and have been impressed with their thoughtful contributions when discussing safe active travel to and from school.

Our **School Streets** scheme continues, and we therefore remind everyone that the signposted



restrictions apply whether the barriers are there or not. Last term, all of our volunteers expressed the positive feedback the scheme had attracted locally, with plenty of people stopping to voice their support. Although the road is closed to the majority of traffic, it is important to remember that children should not walk/scoot up or play on the road before or after school.

**Volunteers needed!** We are still in search of volunteers to help with our School Streets scheme. The schedule for cover is put together weekly so there is no ongoing commitment, the morning slot is 8.30am – 9.15am and the afternoon from 2.30pm – 3.15pm. The school will happily hold back children in the afternoon to allow parents or carers to collect them from main reception afterwards. Please contact James one of our volunteers at [jleverton@marshandparsons.co.uk](mailto:jleverton@marshandparsons.co.uk) if you might be able to offer some of your time.

**Many thanks!**



**Easter Holiday School Travel Poster Competition coming!!** Keep an eye out in the next newsletter!

## MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE



We are delighted that we have a new Lollipop Man, Mr Wicks, who started duty this week.

Please say 'Hello' when crossing or passing and remember to be polite and respectful at all times.



### DROP OFF AND PICK UP TIMES

<b>RECEPTION</b>	<b>Drop off</b>	<b>8.45—8.55</b>
	<u>Pick up:</u>	
	RY:	2.40
	RD	2.45
	RF	2.50
	RJ	2.55
<b>YEAR 1</b>	<b>Drop off</b>	<b>8.55—9.05</b>
	<u>Pick up:</u>	
	1W	3.00
	1C	3.00
	1H	3.05
	1K	3.05
<b>EARY 2</b>	<b>Drop off</b>	<b>9.05—9.15</b>
	<u>Pick up</u>	
	2D	3.10
	2S	3.10
	2P	3.15
	2T	3.15

### Donations

We have run low on girls knickers for all year groups. Please bring in any spare knickers (age 3-6yr) you have into the school office.

### Birthday Treats

We know the children love to celebrate their birthday by bringing in treat for their classmates, however HISN are not able to allow children to bring in birthday treats until further notice

### Daily Reminders

Please remember to send your child in with the following on a daily basis:-

**Named Water Bottle** - Water fountains are out of bounds in the school

**Book Bag** with home school book

**Coat/Hat/Scarf** etc for wet or cold weather

### School Lunches

Please note that children must choose to either bring in a packed lunch OR have a hot school meal each day (unless special arrangements have been made)

Please also let the school office know of any new dietary requirements you child has so that the kitchen caters for everybody.

### After School Clubs

We are please to announce that we are in the process of working on plans to offer clubs after the Easter break.

Information will be sent out next week.

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday	15th March	Parent Consultation week
Friday	19th March	Comic Relief—Super Hero mufti day

## TERM DATES

### Spring Term 2021

Wednesday 31st March End of Term (1.20pm - HISN / 1.30pm - HJS)

### Summer Term 2021

**Monday 19th April NSET DAY**

Tuesday 20th April Children return

**Friday 28th May INSET DAY**

Friday 23rd July End of Term (1.20pm - HISN / 1.30pm - HJS)

**Summer Half Term Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June**



The University of Roehampton are conducting research on the impact of Covid-19 on the working and family lives of working couples in Richmond and Wandsworth if you would like to take part please contact [workingcouplesresearch@gmail.com](mailto:workingcouplesresearch@gmail.com)

Looking for working couples in Wandsworth & Richmond

for a research on the impact of Covid-19 on working & family lives

Register here for an interview  
[WorkingCouplesResearch.wordpress.com](http://WorkingCouplesResearch.wordpress.com)

As a thank you £40 per couple

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## BUZZFEED

### ADVERTISING AT HISN

HISNs weekly newsletter is sent out to over 400 parents, carers and staff.

You could reach this audience with an advert for your services. Rates start at £15.

Anyone wishing to advertise please contact the school office at

[info@hampton-inf.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:info@hampton-inf.richmond.sch.uk) or call 020 8979 1815

### VIRTUAL TOUR

Our virtual tour is now available, please click on the following link to view [https://](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TEjIDoTQTXM&feature=youtu.be)

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The tour can also be found on our school website

<https://www.hpp.school/infant-school>

## **IMPORTANT**

### **Covid 19**

Please do not send your child into school if they or a member of the household has had a covid test and awaiting the results. Your child can return to school once you have received a negative result.

If your child is displaying any of the symptoms below please call the school office and speak to a member of staff.

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough- this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- A loss or change to sense of smell or taste-this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

### **KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IN EDUCATION**

If you have any concerns about the safety or welfare of your child please speak to one of the designated child protection officers, you can also seek advice or guidance for the agencies below:

**Claire Tester** - Head of School – D.S.L - Designated Safeguarding Lead

**Helen Lockey** - Executive Headteacher – D.D.S.L. –

**Alison Horn and Fiona Johnston** - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

**Mr Sej Bhabra** - Co-opted Governor – with responsibility for Safeguarding

Chair of Governors

### **Message from the local NHS - Think you need to go to A&E? Think NHS 111 First**

If you need urgent, but not life-threatening care, call NHS 111 before turning up to an emergency department. If, following a conversation with NHS 111, it is appropriate for you to attend the emergency department you may be scheduled a time to attend.

Thinking NHS 111 First will also help you get to the most appropriate service when you may not have to attend the emergency department. This could include self-care or a slot at your GP practice, a GP hub or a nearby Urgent Treatment Centre.

You can still go to ED and UTC without calling ahead but thinking 'NHS 111 First' will

- shorter waiting times via a booked slot at the emergency department or another appropriate service and safe social distancing away from busy emergency department waiting rooms to protect you and others from COVID-19