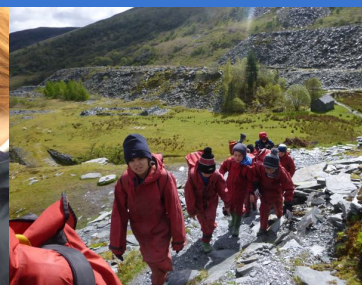




The Old School Henstead

Newsletter

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Calendar for next week

Monday 8 - Friday 12 May
Friday 12 May

Book Fair (based in Year 5 classroom during lunch break & end of day)
9.20-10.50 Open Classrooms (join us for coffee in the hall after drop off before proceeding to classrooms at 9.20 to see lessons in action)

Dates for your diary

Friday 19 May
Friday 26 May

10.00 Reception visit to Pig Farm (addition to calendar)
The Henstead Hike in aid of a Defibrillator for the School & Henstead Village
9.45 Open Morning, followed by the Summer Fayre

Saturday 24 June

Message from the Headmaster

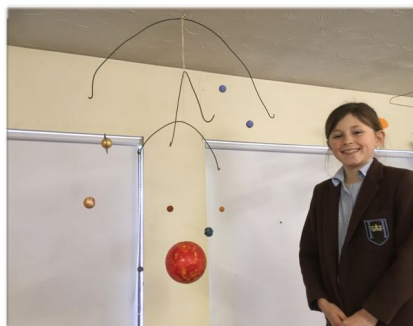


As a school, we focus on our value of teamwork during this extremely busy first half of term and I could not be more proud of our boys and girls for the way they pulled together as a team to make our trips week such a success. There was clearly a huge amount of enjoyment, challenge for everyone and opportunities to learn new things and, importantly about self. I would also like to thank the many members of the school community who so willingly gave their assistance and to the staff who encouraged, applauded and supported the children. Well done to everyone!

Mr McKinney

Planetary Presentations.

Year Four pupils have been studying the solar system and have produced a range of representations of the planets. Here are three contrasting representations created by Harry, Kate and Emily.





School Council Election.



School Council Election Day

For the final time this academic year, eager voters queued to cast their vote.

Representatives are elected by their class to represent and provide our pupils with a voice. This week's PSHEE lessons have provided an opportunity to discuss the qualities that potential representatives need to demonstrate. Voters have been encouraged to give due consideration to these qualities when selecting their favoured candidate.

Representatives were identified as individuals who are willing and able to put forward other people's views, even if they disagree with them.

Two focused questions were posed and the responses clearly illustrate the depth of thought and importance assigned by our young voters to the School Council:

Q. What kind of person makes a good rep?

Response:

- Approachable.
- Good listener
- Organised
- Assertive
- Efficient
- Fair
- Good communicator

Q. What is the role of a representative?

Response

- To collect the views of their class and to pass them on to the School Council
- To let their class know what goes on in the meetings they attend.
- To take an active part in meetings.

With votes counted and verified, the results are as follows:

Reception Robyn and Elliot

Year 1 Tom and Lola

Year 2 William and George

Year 3 Penelope and Imogen P

Year 4 Joe and Emily

Year 5 Alex and Archie

Year 6 Savile and Louis.

Congratulations to all.
Miss Clifton



Model Village Project.



This term Year Three pupils have initiated construction of a model village, which they have named "Messville."

One hundred percent of the construction, placement and philosophy has been created by the children, including deciding between supermarkets versus independent food sources, whether our school will have a uniform and the natural geography of the land.

The careful and precise construction of the model village took an interesting route this week indeed. After the sheep escaped from the unfenced pen, they took a direct route towards Gavin the Gardener's garden to eat much of his garden al dente! After receiving an angry letter from Gavin the gardener, the children took to the difficult task of managing the situation. Writing a response letter detailing precisely how the children would solve the problem, reimburse Gavin and punish the farmer ended in a wonderful session of work full of unique and thoughtful suggestions.

The engagement levels have been quite tremendous and I find myself as excited as they are in discovering what might happen next!

Mr Hunt



Nursery News.



Librarian Visit

Nursery had a visit from Sarah from Beccles library on Wednesday afternoon. Sarah read us some under the sea related books and then we all picked an item from the song sack to sing about. Of course we finished with our favourite- two teddies on a trampoline!



Thank you Sarah!



Nursery Star of the Week ★

Nursery Star of the Week goes to Mia W, who is making great progress at a Nursery and listening really well to the grown-ups. Great work Mia, have a wonderful time with Sparky. We hope he is a good dragon for you!

Miss O'Mara & Miss Butcher



Reception Roundup.

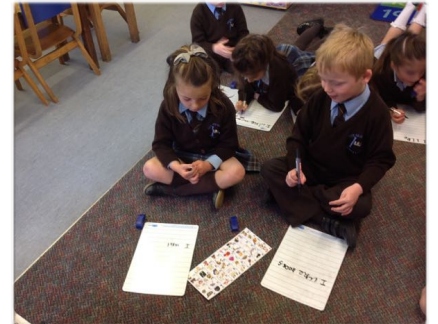


We welcomed back Reception to our new topic **At the Seaside** and have been very creative updating our display with a yellow submarine and a variety of underwater creatures. We have also used this topic to inspire our numeracy and literacy lessons.

In numeracy this term we will be focusing on money and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We are putting our learning into practice with our role play shop. This has proved very popular with all the class and already children are demonstrating good knowledge of British coins and their values.



During literacy we have been focusing on our digraph sounds through daily practice in word bingo and writing. Reception children are now starting to combine all their learning of sounds, tricky words and high frequency words to create their own sentence writing. They understand that sentences need capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.



Games lessons are now focused around athletics, which will be good preparation for Sports Day, later in the term. The children have already made good use of the running track and been learning the skills needed to run a relay race.



We have enjoyed our return to swimming this term and have already made great progress with our new swimming teachers.

In Art we continue to use a variety of materials to produce under the sea art for our classroom environment.



Mrs Scriven & Mrs Dakin



SPORTS ROUND UP

Ski Racing



SKI RACING COMPETITION

It was an exciting weekend for The Old School Henstead ski team last weekend at the Eastern Region Snowsports Association Schools Championship 2017.

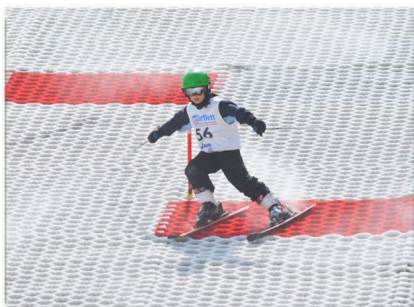
Schools from all across the region participated. For two of the team members this was their debut at this special slalom event.

Alex won the U12 boys race in an incredible time of 16.18 seconds – 0.86 seconds faster than the second place entrant from Gresham's.

Marli came 10th out of 30 who finished in the U10 boys - an amazing achievement in this age category as he is only 6 years old.

Archie finished 41st out of 57 finishers in the U12 boys race. It was his debut race at this event also.

Well done team. A great result.





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Summer Fayre

**Traditional Games
Live Music
Raffle & Prize Draw**

**Craft Stalls ♦ Barista
Arena Displays ♦ Bouncy Castle
Sweet Sunrise Crepes ♦ Bar**

And Much More!
Saturday 24th June 2017
12pm - 3pm
Toad Row NR34 7LG

Mascot Awards.

Mascots were awarded to the pupils best demonstrating our school value Teamwork:

Reception: Samuel - for showing good team spirit and leadership skills within class on a daily basis.

Year 1: Jack - for good teamwork at swimming.

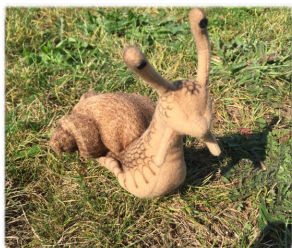
Year 2: Phillip - for adaptability in different team situations.

Year 3: Isabelle N - for enthusiasm and collaboration with different classmates for different activities.

Year 4: Emily - for showing excellent teamwork during class subjects.

Year 5: Matthew - for continuing to show positive leadership and teamwork after returning from Kingswood.

Year 6: Savile - for being wonderfully considerate and caring towards the younger children during a rounders activities match - great team spirit!



Pony Club



The Old School Henstead Pony Club started this week. We are most grateful to Mrs Freeland for all her hard work and organisation in making this possible.

Brayden's Fundraiser



Brayden was very poorly 3 years ago and the Sick Children's Trust provided accommodation on site at Addenbrookes Hospital for his very grateful Mum and Dad.

Please join Brayden at Hulver Village Hall to help raise funds for the

Sick Children's Trust on:

Sunday 14 May at 2.00pm.

Free Entry

Cake

Tea & Coffee

Raffle

Crafts

Lucky Dip

Tombola

Guess How Many Sweets!

Open Classrooms



Next Friday 12 May, parents are invited into the classrooms to see lessons in action. Join us in the Hall for coffee after drop off, before proceeding to the classrooms from 9.20 and 10.50.

PTFA

News Extra

Next Meeting Monday 8 May 7pm Three Horse Shoes

Summer Fayre Saturday 24 June 12:00-3:00pm, following the Open Morning. Posters have gone out in bags. Please help spread the word.

Summer Party Saturday 8 July. Book your Early Bird tickets now. Forms have gone out in bags this week.

UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Times

Tuesday 8.15-9.15

Thursdays 3.15-4.15



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