



THE OLD SCHOOL HENSTEAD

INDEPENDENT PREPARATORY SCHOOL



School Newsletter
Autumn Term
27th September 2024



What a wonderful (albeit wet!) week we have had. The children put so much effort and joy into their singing at the Harvest Service. Thank you to all of you for the amazing gifts you donated for the Waveney Food Bank. They were delighted with the donations. It was lovely to also see our wonderful school appear in the local newspapers too. What a joy to be part of such a lovely school!

- Mrs Solomon





Harvest Festival Donations



Lots of wonderful food donations being safely delivered to the Waveney Food Bank at St Lukes Church.





Key Dates:

Wednesday 2nd October - Year Five and Six Trip to Cambridge University Museum of Zoology

Thursday 3rd October - Year Five and Six Adventure Day

Monday 7th October - Year Three & Four Trip to Sutton Hoo

Thursday 10th October - Parents, Teachers and Governors Meeting - 4.10pm

Monday 14th October - Deadline for BBC 500 words story competition

Wednesday 16th October - Parent - Teacher Meetings
Email will be sent to parents this week

Thursday 17th October - Autumn themed baking competition and cake sale

Friday 18th October - Bonfire Night 6pm-8pm

Full details regarding each of these events will be provided nearer the time and more dates will be added weekly.



Beccles & Bungay
JOURNAL

The
LOWESTOFT
Journal

For those of you who may not have seen our fantastic school article in the newspaper this week, please click on the links below:

[Beccles & Bungay Journal](#)

[The Lowestoft Journal](#)

PTFA BONFIRE NIGHT

If you would like to purchase tickets, please click [here](#) or scan the QR code on the poster.



The Old School Henstead Presents

BONFIRE NIGHT

18th October



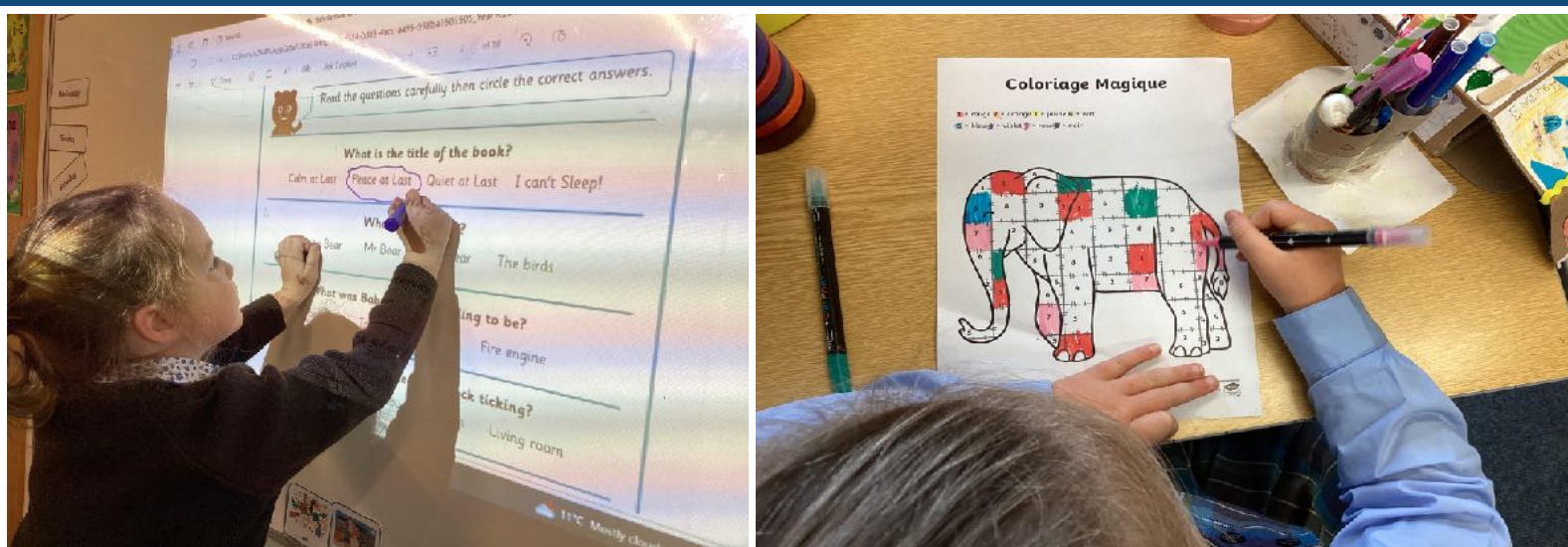
Doors Open 6pm
Fireworks start 7pm



Tickets £6
£10 with food!
Hotdog / Burger / Vegan Burger
+ A Soft Drink

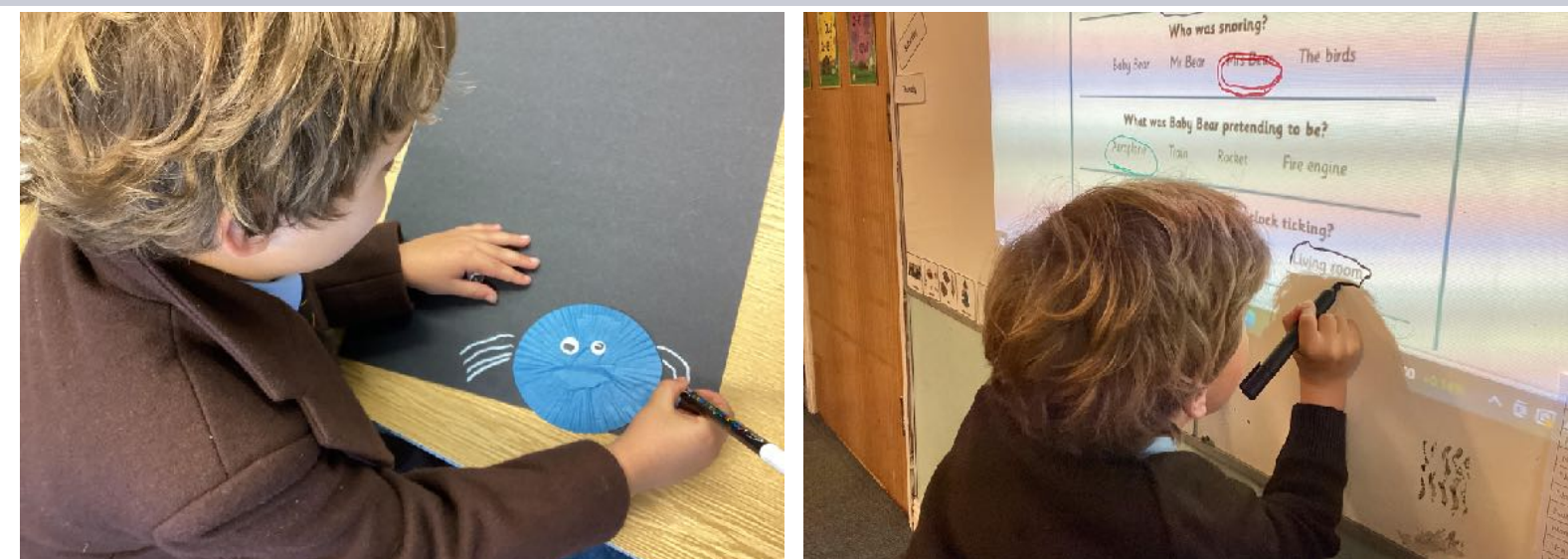


Reception and Year One



French is a highlight of the week for the children. They have started learning French colour names and a song to help remember these called Arc en Ciel! See how many you can remember!

In Literacy we have looked at the titles of books and their authors. Our main focus has been around the story *Peace at Last* by Jill Murphy. We discussed what 'peace' means and why poor Mr Bear can't sleep! The children then had to answer comprehension questions on some of the places where Mr Bear tries to sleep and some of the noises that kept him awake. Some cupcake spiders were created today, with spiky hair and big smiles! - Mrs Dakin





Year Two

In Year 2 we have been learning about Africa, in particular Kenya. We made some African necklaces! We tried to think about the colours that they would use for the real necklaces.

- Mrs Solomon





Year Two



We have also been finding out lots of facts about some African animals. Did you know, a hippopotamus' roar is louder than a lions?! Also, a group of rhinos is called a rhinos! We love this topic.

- Mrs Solomon





Year Three and Year Four

This week in English the children in Year Three and Four have been exploring diary writing from the point of view of a character. In the story we are reading this term, there is a terrible incident involving a giant wolf that destroys a small town and one young hero has to save the day! The children analysed first person storytelling through a hot seating activity and I was very impressed with the creative flair that they all put into their storytelling. Well done team!

- Mrs Braidwood





Year Five and Year Six

We are exploring Inheritance and Evolution in science this half-term and in this week's lessons we investigated natural selection. This is a process by which a species changes over time in response to alterations in the environment or competition, in order to pass on successful genes to its offspring. In other words, how all current life on Earth has adapted in order to survive, and in the case of humanity, thrive!

Here's a link to the wonderful Brian Cox explaining it: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zyxtm39#zs6hxbk>

The Pupils are finding the topic fascinating and are looking forward to learning more about it when we visit Cambridge University Museum of Zoology next week. - Mrs Sonn





Art Competition



The art room has been busy this week! It has been lovely to see so many children working hard on pieces for the art competition using such an array of different media and techniques. Submissions to the ISA event will be sent off at the beginning of next week but the 'in school' exhibition of work will be on the 9th of October in the school hall.

- Mrs Braidwood





Art Competition





Mascot Winners

Our Mascots are awarded to the pupils demonstrating excellence within our school values for this term: Confidence and Creativity.

Well done to all of our mascot winners from this week:

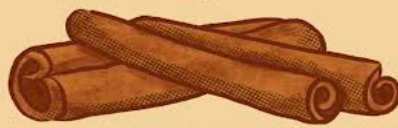
Reception & Year One - Vincent

Year Two - Ottilie

Year Three & Four - Rose

Year Five and Six - Alex





HENSTEAD PRESENTS THE

Autumn Baking Competition

Prizes for: EYFS KS1 & KS2 & Parents/Teachers

Best Decorated

Most Creative Autumn Bake

**JUDGING COMMENCES ON
THURSDAY 17TH OF OCTOBER.**

**ALL CAKES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO BUY
WITH PROCEEDS GOING TO THE SCHOOL!**

What will you make?



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