



THE OLD SCHOOL HENSTEAD

INDEPENDENT PREPARATORY SCHOOL



School Newsletter
Autumn Term
4th October 2024



It has been another busy week at The Old School Henstead. Although the week began rather soggy and wet, it finished with some lovely warm sunshine, enabling the children to get back outside and enjoy the space and freedom to run around and make dens or mud pies! Our Year 5 and Year 6 children had two wonderful trips this week, where they behaved impeccably and learnt some new skills. Canoeing is not the easiest thing to do if you have not done it before!! They showed at least two of our school values of confidence and resilience.

May I remind you that there is a meeting arranged for Thursday after school to meet up with the governors and teachers. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible there.

- Mrs Solomon





Key Dates:

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

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

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

Thursday 7th November - Remembrance Service - St Mary's Church, Henstead - 9am

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



RADIO CALL OUT!

We have been given the opportunity to advertise on local radio stations. We just need some voice clips about how great our school is! If you send us a 10 second clip telling us what you love about Henstead, we will be putting the best ones into an advert which will be heard all over Suffolk!

Please send your voice clips to k.braidwood@theoldschoolhenstead.co.uk



PTFA BONFIRE NIGHT

Don't forget to purchase your bonfire night tickets! Please click [here](#) or scan the QR code on the poster.





Reception and Year One

In Science we explored the textures of different materials by using a feely bag filled with a variety of textured items. All the children thoroughly enjoyed being involved and listening to each others' guesses of what each object was made of, how it felt and finally what the object was.

Some very accurate guesses and surprises!

In Topic, the children created some fantastic paintings of animals from Antarctica, Asia, Australia and North America. We all particularly liked Robert's crocodile, ready for a bite to eat!

Mrs Dakin



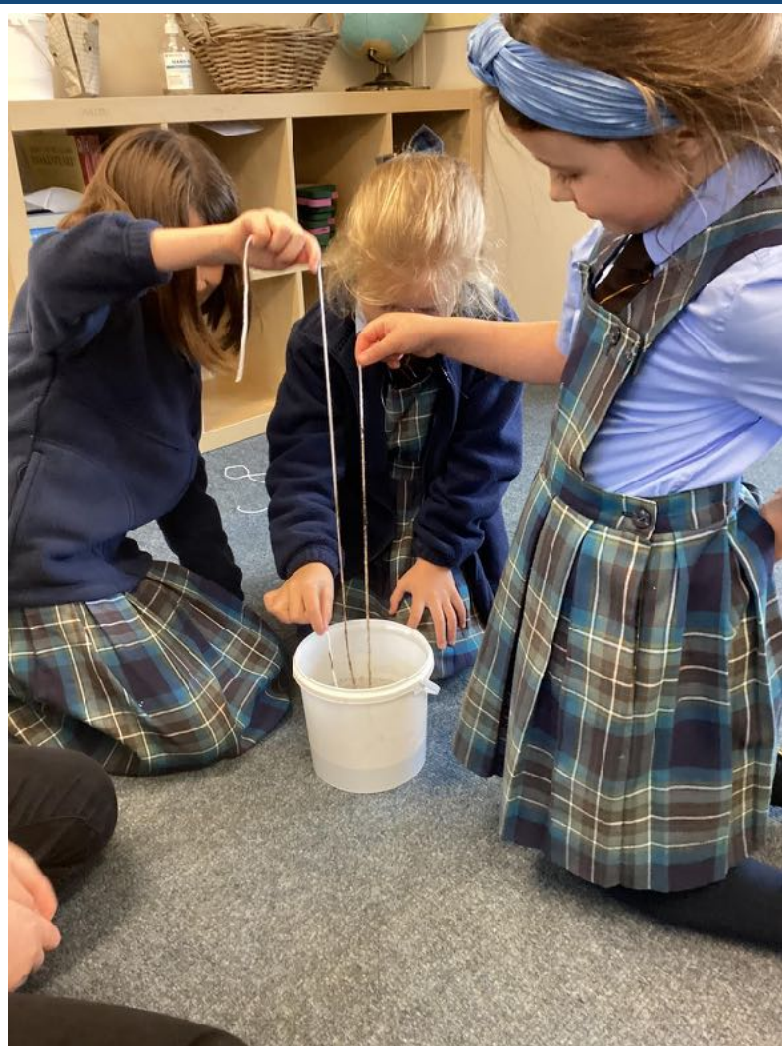


Year Three and Year Four

This term Year Three and Four are learning all about the Anglo Saxons in history. Last week we were exploring all the different jobs people would have had in Anglo Saxon Britain. We discussed roles like potters, carpenters and weavers. When talking about weaving the children were fascinated by how they would have dyed fabric. This week we put that knowledge to the test and created our own dye colours using natural ingredients such as beetroot, turmeric, coffee and kale.

- Mrs Braidwood







Year Five and Year Six Adventure Day

Year 5 & 6 were treated to glorious weather as they embarked on their adventure day. They had planned a route for their 3 mile canoe, followed by a 4.5 mile walk, ending with a 6 mile cycle back to school.

The aim of the day was to see the children working as a team to succeed in their adventure. Teamwork was clear to see during the canoe section, Monty working Jayden hard as the engine in their boat whilst he steered at the rear. Louis and James found themselves given the nickname of 'team zigzag' as they found it tough going. The girls attached them to their boat and towed them along the river Waveney for 2.5 miles! A quick lunch break at Beccles quayside was followed by a brisk hike through Beccles town centre heading towards North Cove. Once they had arrived at North Cove, they quickly got on their bikes and were off cross-country heading for school. Some sections were found to be muddier than others and the downhill sections were exciting for all. Some excellent team work and encouragement all round meant for a very enjoyable day.

- Mr Hunter









Year Five and Year Six - Cambridge Museum of Zoology

We had a great day at Cambridge University Zoology Museum on Wednesday. As well as being able to explore this beautiful space, we learned more Darwin's voyage of discovery on the Beagle and were lucky enough to see some of the specimens he brought back. It was a brilliant guide to evolution through natural selection and the pupils were fascinated by all that they saw.

There was also time to have a little wander around Cambridge. We peeked through the railings of some of its most famous and beautiful college quadrangles, and watched the punts going by on the river - what a treat!

-Mrs Sonn







Swimming

The children are enjoying being back in the swimming pool again this term!





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:

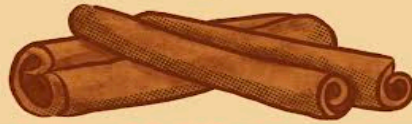
Reception & Year One - Isabella

Year Two - Florence

Year Three & Four - Louiza

Year Five and Six - Monty





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?



OCTOBER
HALF-TERM

PREMIER HOLIDAY CAMPS



Premier
Education

INSPIRING
ACTIVITY



SCAN HERE FOR
MORE INFORMATION

or visit premier-education.com/holiday-camps



Based on over 20,000 reviews

YOUR NEAREST HOLIDAY CAMP...

Venue: The Old School, Henstead, NR34 7LG

Dates: 28.10.24-30.10.24

Times: 8.00-17.00 (Full Day)

Price: £34.61 (Full Day), £15.38 (Half Day)

Ages: 4-11 (Please select a half day option for 4 year olds)

Additional info: Book before Friday 11th October to receive 15% off

PLEASE BRING

A packed lunch
Plenty of water
Suitable clothing
Loads of energy!

Our Holiday Camps keep children active, safe, and entertained throughout the school holidays.

Each break, we offer a wide range of fun activities, including sports, performing arts, and games, all at great value. There's something for every child to enjoy every half-term.

Book now for a holiday full of excitement!

THINGS ARE BETTER WITH FRIENDS!



**TREAT YOUR FRIENDS
TO 20% OFF...AND GET
20% OFF TOO!**

*T&Cs apply. Refer a Friend discount on new bookings only.



Based on over 20,000 reviews

If you haven't done so already, there is still time to book your child's place for the October Half Term Holiday Camp.

Book before Friday 11th October to receive 15% off!

Please click on the link below for the booking process:

[Premier Education - Booking Process](#)

To book your space, please click [here](#)



@theoldschoolhenstead



@theoldschoolhenstead



@OldSchoolHstead