



THE OLD SCHOOL HENSTEAD

INDEPENDENT PREPARATORY SCHOOL



School Newsletter
Autumn Term
8th November 2024



Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn Term! It has been a fantastic week, with all the children getting stuck straight into their work. They sang so beautifully at the Remembrance Service as we remembered those who gave their lives for their country during the wars. This half term promises to be even busier than the last, with rehearsals imminent for the nativities and carol service! Dare I say it...Christmas is just around the corner!

-Mrs Solomon





Key Dates:

Thursday 14th November - Pyjama Day for CCHS UK

Thursday 14th November - Cross Country Tournament at Worlingham School

Thursday 14th November - Book Fair

Friday 15th November - Non Uniform Day and Crazy Hair for BBC Children in Need

Monday 18th November - Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Wednesday 20th November - Year 3 & 4 Assembly on Anglo Saxons

Friday 22nd November - School Photographs

Wednesday 4th December - Christmas Disco

Friday 6th December - PTFA Christmas Fair - 4.10pm

Tuesday 10th December - EYFS Nativity

Wednesday 11th December - School Nativity (Year 1,2,3,4)

Wednesday 11th December - Christmas Carol Service - St Mary's Church, Henstead at 4.30pm

Friday 13th December - Christmas Jumper Day and Last day of Term



Key Dates:

Saturday 14th December - School Choir to sing at the Henstead Arts and Crafts Christmas Fair at 12pm

Saturday 14th December - Cocktails and Casino Night - Henstead Pavillion - 7pm til Late

Monday 23rd December - Premier Education Holiday Camp

Thursday 2nd January/Friday 3rd January - Premier Education Holiday Camp

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



Pyjama Day for CCHS UK

The Old School Henstead is taking part in CCHS UK's annual Pyjama Day as one of our pupils, Emma in Year 4, has CCHS.

Emma is assisted at school by Mrs Howard and Mrs Masterson and comes into school with her ventilator every day. The charity is important to Emma and her family as it gives them the chance to connect with other families, access information and support, and fund vital research into better treatment options for the future.

Excitingly, this year's CCHS UK Christmas card was designed by Emma! Packs of cards will be on sale after school on Pyjama Day, so please bring your pennies if you wish to purchase some. Packs of 10 are £4 each or 3 packs for £10.

PYJAMA DAY!

Wear your favourite pyjamas or onesie to school for CCHS UK!

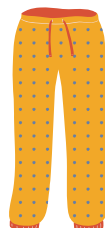
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Wear your pyjamas and make a donation to help raise funds for CCHS UK - a small charity which improves the lives of those affected by Congenital Central Hypoventilation Syndrome (CCHS). People with CCHS stop breathing when they sleep and they can forget to breathe when awake, because their bodies struggle to do things automatically.

For a donation of £2, children and staff can come dressed in their coolest pyjamas, their comfiest onesie or their cosiest dressing gown!

Don't forget to share your pyjama selfies on social media and tag us!
#PJsForCCHSUK @CCHSUK
www.cchs.uk







Book Fair

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LAST YEAR YOUR SUPPORT HELPED DONATE £5.3M IN FREE BOOKS TO SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE

Excitement mounts around school as we await the arrival of the annual book fair next week. It will be open in the Hub from Thursday lunchtime (14th) until the following Tuesday (19th) and pupils will be able to browse and buy during lunch breaks and after school. Parents are welcome to come in at pick-up and see what's on offer. For every book bought we receive vouchers towards purchasing books for the school, so do help to encourage your child's love of reading, while supporting Henstead!

Competition Corner

There are five £5 vouchers up for grabs to spend on anything you like at next week's book fair! To win one of the vouchers, you must design a book front cover about something connected to our school. Perhaps lots of animals arrive at Henstead and cause chaos! Or maybe a pupil discovers a portal to another dimension in the willows. Have a think about of all the possible things that could happen in school and create your front cover.

Here are some book covers to inspire you.

Please hand your entry to your form tutor by the morning of Monday 18th November.

Good luck!





BBC Children in Need - Friday 15th November

Next Friday, 15th November, children may come to school in **non-uniform** for a £1 donation to Children in Need.

To add a little extra fun to the day, children may also come to school with crazy hair. The crazier the better!





The Old School Henstead presents

COCKTAILS & CASINO

SATURDAY, 14TH DECEMBER
HOSTED AT THE HENSTEAD PAVILLION, BECCLES

- FORMAL EVENING ATTIRE - DRESS TO IMPRESS
- GLASS OF PROSECCO UPON ARRIVAL
- CHRISTMAS DINNER WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS
- LIVE BAND - THE DEVILS CADILLAC
- CASINO TABLES
- MAGICIAN - THE ONE & ONLY SEAN GOODMAN
- AUCTION OF PROMISES
- RAFFLE (ALL PROCEEDS TO GREAT ORMOND STREET HOSPITAL)

December 23rd/
January 2nd & 3rd



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We are pleased to announce that Premier Education will be back for another 3 day Holiday Camp in December/January. A link to book will be sent this week.



Nursery

It was lovely to welcome you all back and see your excited faces with the new set up based around our Light and Dark theme. We have had a creative week, making Diwali lanterns, firework pictures and counted the letters in our names to write on our rockets. The children have loved playing with little torches and cosying up in the arch den and space themed tent! We have also enjoyed Music with Mr Spencer and PE with Mr Hunter. On Friday we made shortbread biscuits and sampled a few chocolate chips before baking! We're counting down to Space themed activities next week.

-Mrs Dakin







Year One and Year Two

Years 1 and 2 had a very interactive french lesson this week! The children had to recognise and portray the correct animal to the piece of music Carnival of the Animals.



See if you
can identify
any of
them.

- Mrs Dakin





Year Five and Six

Our new science topic is about electricity and circuits. This week, pupils discussed the two types of electricity - static and current.

Over the course of six experiments, they investigated the power of static electricity to find out how it's created and how it behaves under certain conditions. Each experiment involved the time-honoured way to create static electricity - rubbing a balloon on their heads (or some fabric)! The boys and girls discovered that static electricity can separate salt and pepper by polarising each substance, and that simply by holding a 'charged' balloon over small pieces of paper, that paper flies up and sticks to the balloon. It was like magic! They were also rather surprised to find out that different parts of our brains use electricity to communicate with each other. Who knew we had electricity inside our own bodies!

- Mrs Sonn





Mascots

The mascot winners are:

Year One - Vincent for his resilience with all his work this week and enthusiasm during the Remembrance Service.

Year Two - Reuben for his excellent research skills with finding out about anxiety remembering facts about The Great Fire of London.

Year Three & Four - Margot for her research on Marie Curie.

Year Five & Six - James for demonstrating resilience when tackling fractions problems in maths.

Art Club

In art club on Monday we celebrated the Hindu festival of Diwali, also known as the 'festival of lights'. This is because houses, shops and public places are decorated with lanterns and lights, symbolising the victory of light over darkness.

-Mrs Dakin





Lunch Menu - w/c 11th November



WEEK 2



SALAD

Monday . Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Tuesday . Chicken Fillets and rice

Wednesday . BBQ Chicken and rice

Thursday. Fish Finger Sandwich

Friday. Hot dogs in rolls

All bread, pasta or rice will be whole meal.

Soup will be available each day plus a bread roll.



PIZZA

Sides

Carrot sticks/ Cucumber Sticks

Pepper Sticks



Strawberry Yoghurt and raisins

Apple slices

Biscuit

DESSERT





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