

Weekly Newsletter 14th October 2022



HORN PARK
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers,

We began the week with World Mental Health Day. Through assemblies, RHE lessons and class discussions, children have engaged in exploring strategies and ways to protect and look after their mind. In the Key Stage Two phase assembly on Tuesday, children suggested:

- Spending time in nature (going for a walk)
- Mindfulness activities (meditation and colouring)
- Exercising
- Digital detox (time away from phones, screens & social media)
- Talking (to a trusted friend or adult about things we are worried about)

These were all fantastic ideas. Mental health awareness and discussions are increasingly at the forefront of news, entertainment and sport. Therefore, it is important to take care of our mental health: nurturing what's good for us and limiting things that have a negative impact on it.

Teachers have thoroughly enjoyed inviting adults into school this week for parents evening appointments. These have provided an opportunity to share early successes in how children have settled into the year, as well as progress they have made in their learning.

Outside of these more formal meetings, teachers and leaders will always endeavour to share positive news at pick up, via phone calls and MyChildAtSchool.

Around the school, children have been publishing learning to produce brand new displays in class. Science club have continued their fantastic start to the term by harvesting onions and making soup to share with their adults whilst half of year 5 had their first trip of the year, to St Mildred's Church to support our learning about the Christian faith.



As we approach the last week of half term, many children remain on track to achieve their first silver attendance badge of the year for maintaining 100% attendance for an entire half term. Our whole school attendance is currently sitting above the borough's average, which is testament to all parents and carers for promoting the importance of attending school every day and creating good habits. Thank you!

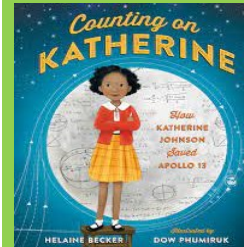
Unfortunately, we have continued to receive complaints from residents on Alnwick Road. Please continue to be considerate not park over driveways.

A reminder that the Autumn disco is on Thursday 20th October – the PFA will continue selling tickets after school on Wednesday 19th.

Have a lovely weekend,

Zoe Crosland & Jack Green

BOOK RECOMMENDATION



Poplars have enjoyed reading '**Counting on Katherine**' by **Helaine Becker** and learning about the story of NASA Mathematician

Katherine Johnson and discovering her significant role in Space exploration. We have read how she overcame prejudices of gender and race to help plan the routes of spacecraft in space, help land men on the moon and save the Apollo 13 astronauts after an explosion. It's a wonderful read and we highly recommend.

NOTICES

Respectful Parking: We have had a number of complaints from our Neighbours, Please be considerate and do not park over driveways

Y5 St Mildreds Church Trip:
Richmond: Friday 21st October at 9.30am

Year 1 Environment Local Area Walk:
Thursday 20th October

PFA Autumn Disco (Ticket event):
Thursday 20th October

Non School Uniform Day:
Friday 21st October

Half Term: Monday 24th - 28th October

Year 2 trip to Maritime Museum:
Thursday 3rd November

Individual & Siblings Photos:
Friday 4th November

ONLINE LEARNING (Homework)



French phase of the week:
La Princesse - The Princess

Term Value
Respect

Lunch Menu: 1
w/c 17th October



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