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School News

Welcome

Happy New Year and welcome back to the Spring term of 2023.

I apologise there was no issue of *The Hawksworth Herald* last Friday but unfortunately, I was absent from school.

The Bumby

Our outdoor education classroom *The Bumby* (named after Roger Bumby who was Headteacher at Hawksworth for eleven and half years, leaving the school in 2005 to take up a Headship at Pool CE Primary School) has unfortunately suffered damage during the recent inclement weather. The damage has forced me to take the decision to place *The Bumby* out of bounds to the pupils and staff until we are able to repair the damage. The architect from Leeds Diocese has already visited the site and has advised we may have to replace the roof. Obviously, this will have a financial impact on our school budget and as it is not actually connected to the main school building, we cannot officially receive any contribution from the Diocese. Following the recent £240,000 investment in our new school roof and the previous year's £180,000 investment in the new central heating system the school has a reduced building budget and the Diocese are unlikely to contribute to costs. Mrs Chalmers-Brown and I are presently looking at other revenue streams, but I envisage the *The Bumby* may be out of use for a while until we can secure extra funding.



Uniform

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of our school uniform expectations. Some children have returned to school wearing bright trainers rather than the expected black footwear and sports tops instead of school jumpers.

Plastic Bottle Tops

Thank you to all who have sent in plastic bottle tops for Mrs Oliver. She is still in need of more for our planned whole school project so we would be grateful if you could continue to send them in.

Governors

The first full governing body meeting of 2023 will take place next Wednesday from 6.30pm to 8.45pm. Mr Hargreaves (Parent Governor) and Mr Chalmers-Brown (Foundation Governor) have successfully passed all the necessary Safeguarding and Child Protection checks and will be in attendance. On behalf of all the governors I would like to thank our new members for being prepared to make a valuable contribution to their local community and for bringing their wide range of experience and skills which will be utilised by the governing body.

Parent Questionnaire

A paper questionnaire will be sent out to all parents next Friday as part of the Governor's regular evaluation of the whole school provision at Hawksworth so as to ascertain what school does well and what areas school may need to develop. The Parent voice needs to be heard and your contributions to the school development plan will be most welcome. When the findings have been collated, they will be shared with all stakeholders e.g., parents, governors and staff as soon as possible.

School Improvement Advisor

I received the written report from Mr T. Richards, an experienced Headteacher and School Improvement Advisor, following his one day visit to the school. His report followed an Ofsted like format and the headlines stated:

- The quality of education is good
- Pupils' behaviour and attitudes are good
- Pupils' personal development is good
- Leadership and management are good
- Safeguarding arrangements are effective
- The quality of the early years education is good

However, like any evaluation of performance there were areas listed that the school can further develop. I have emailed the staff and governors the report and the findings will be fed into our school development plan (SDP) and Self Evaluation Form (SEF).

Kestrels Before and After School Club

Q. What did the hat say to the scarf?

A. You hang here while I go on ahead!

Kestrels have been enjoying making lots of crafts about keeping warm. We have made hot chocolate drinks with coloured card and pom poms for marshmallows. They have designed their own winter hat using lots of different materials. The children used their cutting skills to cut out winter clothes and dress a person and a snowman. As usual, the children have enjoyed making lots of different shapes out of playdough and there has been lots of colouring in sheets and word searches.

Opening Times

7.30 am - 8.45 am (7.30-8.45 £6.60, 7.45-8.45 £5.60, 8.15-8.45 £2.80)

3.15 pm - 5.45 pm (3.15-5.45 £14.00, 3.15-5.15 £11.20, 3.15-4.15 £5.60)

Mrs J Tempest
Kestrels Leader

Miss J Hewitt
Kestrels Assistant



Photography Gallery



Class 3 children during an art lesson about camera techniques. The children worked in groups experimenting with light, perspective, distance and colour.



Class 1 in action during the week



Class 3 painting their Chinese Dragon eyes



Star Pupils

Class 1

Max Y-C for his fantastic attitude to learning and trying so hard in all that he does.

Class 2

Star Pupil: Eli for always doing the right thing and setting a superb example to everyone in Class 2.

Star Pupil: Hannah for her fantastic setting description.

Class 3

Star Pupil: Henry C for an outstanding amount of effort planning and writing his Roman diary entry.

TTRS: Ewan Benn

Century: Rory Kendrick

Class 4

Star Pupil: Willow for showing a consistently conscientious attitude and being helpful to others in the class.

Century: Leo

TTRS: Charlie M

House Points

Eagles 111

Falcons 104

Vultures 107

Condors 98

Attendance (Leeds Target 97%)

Class 1 90.91%

Class 2 98.08%

Class 3 95.42%

Class 4 90.87%

Diary Dates

Event	Time	Date
Spring 1		
Tuesday 3rd January 2023	All day	Training Day – school closed to pupils
Thursday 26th January 2023	2.30pm	Reading Workshop Class 1
Spring 2		
Thursday 16th March 2023	2.30pm	Stay and Play
Tuesday 28th March 2023	3.30pm - 5pm	Parents' Evening
Thursday 30th March 2023	3.30pm - 7pm	Parents' Evening
Summer 1		
Monday 8 th May 2023	Monday - Thursday	KS2 SATs Week
Monday 15 th May 2023	Monday - Thursday	KS1 SATs Week
Monday 22 nd May 2023	Monday - Friday	Y5/Y6 Residential Week
Tuesday 23 rd May 2023	2.30pm	Reading Workshop Class 1
Summer 2		
Monday 12 th June 2023	1pm – 3pm	School Sports Day
Monday 12 th June 2023	Monday - Friday	Year 1 Phonics week
Monday 19 th June 2023	1pm – 3pm	School Sports Day reserve
Wednesday 21 st June 2023	2.30pm	Stay and Play
Tuesday 27 th June 2023	All day	Y6 Transition to Guiseley
Thursday 6 th July 2023	All day	Y5 Transition to Guiseley
Monday 17 th July 2023	All day	End of year reports to parents
Wednesday 19 th July 2023	2.30pm – 3.15pm	Leavers' Awards (All visitors welcome)
Thursday 20 th July 2023	2.15pm - 3pm	Leavers' Production (All visitors welcome)
Monday 24 th July 2023	All day	Training Day – school closed to pupils
Tuesday 25 th July 2023	All day	Training Day – school closed to pupils

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Dale Norris

Headteacher

