

'Learning through Love, Fun and Faith'

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#### **Star Pupils**

**Class 1** Sonny C for being such an enthusiastic learner about our new topic and producing some wonderful writing about a hammerhead shark.

#### Class 2

Mikey L for his fantastic skills using clay and always trying his best. Molly S for her superb attitude towards learning and always helping others in her class.

#### Class 3

TTRS: Ewan B Century: Olivia McD Star: Harry W for an outstanding newspaper report. Star: Amelia L for consistently using correct grammar and punctuation in her English writing

#### Class 4

Star Pupil – Holly D - for her fantastic writing ability Century – Holly D TTRS – Joey W

#### **Kestrels Before and After School Club**

Opening Times and charges 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)

#### **Kestrels News**

Q. How can you tell the ocean is friendly? A. It waves.





Mrs J Tempest Kestrels Leader



Miss J. Hewitt Kestrels Assistant

This week Kestrels have been using lots of recyclable materials to celebrate *Earth Day*. The children have used old newspaper and magazines to make lots of different animal pictures. We also used egg cartons, decorated them and made some very pretty bunches of flowers. We have had some fabulous models of boats, planes and even a football stadium made out of recyclable boxes and cartons and of course lots of colouring in and word searches.

Mrs Tempest

# House Points Attendance (Leeds Target 97%)

House	Points	Class	%
Eagles	345	Class 1	100%
Falcons	360	Class 2	97.18%
Vultures	361	Class 3	97.08%
Condors	352	Class 4	99.23%

### **School News**

### 'The Bumby' update

Mrs F Chalmers-Brown and I have been very busy behind the scenes trying to arrange the funding to rectify the storm damage to the roof of *The Bumby*. Presently we have received quotes from a number of companies to bid for the roof to be replaced. *The Bumby* is at the centre of our plans to develop our Forest School provision. We have already had the fire pit built, £1000 of outdoor education resources purchased and plans in place for staff to be trained as Forest school practitioners. This is why we are very keen for the work to start on *The Bumby* as soon as possible but the delay has been in securing funding and the process of quotes has taken longer than expected as many companies have taken a number of weeks to send quotes in following their site visits. Quotes have ranged from £5000 to £12000 and we are still awaiting one more. We have applied for funds and presently we appear to have sufficient money to go ahead with the work but still need to clarify how much considering we also have to complete the second phase of the new school roof during the summer holidays. The first phase which was completed in the Summer holidays and up to October 2022 was approximately £120,000 and the second phase will be £164,196.70. This whole project has been funded by the Diocese and also from the school budget.



**Plans for 'The Bumby'** is to replace the roof with a black metal corrugated roof as we have been advised a natural roof (like we had) is not suitable as it encourages water ingress. All the roofing boards and some beams will need to be

replaced and additional ones added. The natural roof will be taken off and the soil, plants will be used to landscape the surrounding area. Further landscaping to be completed, a wildflower area, small creature habitats and outdoor education areas to be created. The old roof timbers will also be used to form landscaping and reduce removal costs i.e., skips and their transportation. We also may have to cut back the tree branches that overhang the timber activity climbing frame that lies adjacent to *The Bumby* as the frame is prone to becoming slippery from being placed under the tree and the water around it being waterlogged. As you will understand there is a lot to organise and work to be done but Mrs Chalmers-Brown and I are confident we will have everything in place for work to start on *The Bumby* in the summer holidays (running alongside the work on the main school roof too).

## Non-uniform

Non-uniform Day Friday 5th May 2023. If your child wishes to attend school in non-uniform, please send them into school with an appropriate item which can be entered as a tombola prize for Up the Odda.

## SATs

As you will be aware an additional bank holiday in honour of the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III will take place on Monday 8 May 2023. As this date had previously been announced as the first day of the 2023 key stage 2 (KS2) test week in England, a change to the KS2 test schedule was necessary.

All Year 6 pupils are required to sit the tests and the new testing schedule decided by the Department for Education is outlined below:

Tuesday 9 May 2023: English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling) Wednesday 10 May 2023: English reading paper Thursday 11 May 2023: mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning) Friday 12 May 2023: mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)

As always, we will have two school governors to observe the opening and sealing of SATs test materials and to sit in on all SATs tests to ensure maladministration does not occur. Thank you to Mrs Archdale, Mrs Hopkinson and Mrs Walton for volunteering to carry out these governor duties.

## **NEU Strike Action**

I can confirm that on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023 due to planned NEU strike action in support of school budgets the following classes will be closed on that day. All vulnerable children will be able to attend. I would like to thank my teaching staff for making my job easier by informing me of their actions prior to these dates as they are under no obligation to do so. Class 1 open Class 2 closed Class 3 closed Class 4 open

## **Financial Bench Marking**

It is statutory that all schools have a link on their school website to inform their parents of their school's finances and other schools within their local area and nationally. Our link has been on the school website for a number of years and can be found under the tab *Our School – Financial Information*. The Schools Financial Benchmarking link: <a href="https://schools-financial-benchmarking.service.gov.uk/">https://schools-financial-benchmarking.service.gov.uk/</a> type in the name of your local area into the location box.

## Safeguarding

At Hawksworth CE Primary School, the welfare of our children is of paramount importance to all members of our community, and safeguarding is a key responsibility for everyone.

Our safeguarding team is currently:

Mr D Norris (Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Mrs S Oliver (Assistant Headteacher and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Mrs J Archdale (Safeguarding Governor)







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Class 1 photos Music, PE and colouring

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Class 2: Art lesson Clay



Making biomes in Geography and growing yeast in a science experiment.











### **Training days**

Please note all training day dates have now been confirmed for the 2023-2024 academic year and children will be in school on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024.

## Hawksworth CE Primary School Calendar 2023 – 2024

All Aireborough Learning Partnership Trust Schools have decided to follow the Leeds 2023 – 2024 School Calendar

One training day will involve all the ALPT schools (Friday 17th November 2023)

Holiday	Schools close	Schools open
Summer break		Wednesday 6 September 2023
Autumn mid-term	Friday 27 October 2023	Monday 6 November 2023
Christmas break	Friday 22 December 2023	Monday 8 January 2024
Spring mid-term	Friday 9 February 2024	Monday 19 February 2024
Easter break	Thursday 28 March 2024	Monday 15 April 2024
May Bank Holiday	Friday 3 May 2024	Tuesday 7 May 2024
Summer mid-term	Friday 24 May2024	Monday 3 June 2024
Summer break	Tuesday 23 July 2024	

Term length	Bank Holidays include:	5 Training Days:
Autumn 75 days Spring 54 days Summer 66 days Total 195 days	Christmas 25 & 26 December 2023 New Year's Day 1 January 2024 Good Friday 29 March 2024 Easter Monday 1 April 2024 May Day 6 May 2024 Spring Bank 27 May 2024 August 28 August 2023	Training Day 1 Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 Training Day 2 Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 Training Day 3 Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2023 Training Day 4 Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 Training Day 5 Tuesday 23 July 2024

#### **Class 4 Residential**

Just a reminder the Class 4 residential meeting for parents will be on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023, 3.45pm and take place in Class 4

Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Tuesday - Friday	KS2 SATs Week		
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Monday - Thursday	KS1 SATs Week		
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2023	Monday - Friday	Y5/Y6 Residential Week		
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2023	2.30pm	Reading Workshop Class 1		
Summer 2				
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	1pm – 3pm	School Sports Day		
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Monday - Friday	Year 1 Phonics week		
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	1pm – 3pm	School Sports Day reserve		
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2023	2.30pm	Stay and Play		
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	All day	Y6 Transition to Guiseley		
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	All day	Y5 Transition to Guiseley		
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	All day	End of year reports to parents		
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	2.30pm – 3.15pm	Leavers' Awards (All visitors welcome)		
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	2.15pm - 3pm	Leavers' Production (All visitors welcome)		
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	All day	Training Day – school closed to pupils		
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	All day	Training Day – school closed to pupils		

Have a great weekend!

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Headteacher

