

NEWSLETTER



4th November 2022

Welcome back!

What a start to the half term! This week in school has been very busy. All children have settled back into school really well, we are very proud of all the learning that has been taken place in school this week and as always, our children's behaviour has been excellent.

This week, Mrs Waterfield has taken our School Councillors on a visit to Priory Primary School where they met with all the school council representatives from across the Trust. The children were absolutely fantastic, and they were a credit to our school. We look forward to hearing more about their meeting in the following few weeks.

Today, works to our forest school have continued with a crane arriving. Children were very excited to watch the crane this morning. We are keen to make progress with our Forest School and would welcome any help from parents or family members. If you are able to support us with this exciting development, please get in touch with us via the school office.

I am excited to announce that in our assembly on Monday I will be awarding our first 7 Bronze Awards for our Reading Challenge. Please encourage your children to read at home so they can complete their AR quizzes and progress through our reading challenge.

Next week is National School Meals Week. We have sent a poster showing what is happening through the week. We also have the year 4 INSPIRE session on Tuesday and year 5 will get a visit from the planetarium on Wednesday.

I wish you all a wonderful weekend. If you are visiting any Bonfire or Firework shows remember to stay safe.

Mrs Weaver
Assistant Head of School

Attendance

Attendance at school is **mandatory**. Whole school attendance should be **at least 96%**.
The 100% winner this week was Billy in year 2 The winning class was Miss Floyd's class

If your child is too ill to come to school then you should **contact the school office before 9.30am**, either by telephoning 01384 818845 (option 1) or using the absence reporting feature on ParentMail. Do not use our social media pages to report absences. Please remember that school can administer medication in certain circumstances.

Safeguarding

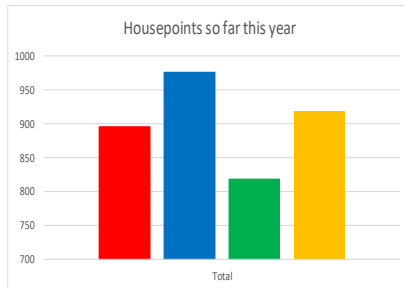
We all have a **responsibility** for the welfare of our children. If something concerns you about the welfare of a child within school then please contact the class teacher in the first instance who will refer to the School's Designated Safeguarding Leads within school.

If you have concerns which **are not** school based you can: Call the children's services referral and advice service on **0300 555 0050** during office hours (9am - 5pm). Out of office hours contact the Emergency Duty Team on **0300 555 8574** or in an **emergency call 999**. Alternatively you can call ChildLine on **0800 1111** or email them by visiting www.childline.org.uk

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HONESTY

We use house-points at Hurst Hill to reward pupils for following our school rules and values.



This week our house point totals are:
Ruby– 108
Diamond– 306
Emerald – 140
Sapphire– 176

Well done to this week's winners– Diamonds!

CARING

This week, year 4 were showing how they care for the environment and being positive role models by doing a litter pick on school grounds.



POSITIVE ATTITUDE

We have been trying really hard with our **reading on MyOn**.

Below word count for each class for the week

Year 2– 3,554
Year 3– 10,138
Year 4– 13,706
Year 5– 62,611
Year 6JG– 21,348
Year 6MJ–15,874

This week's winning class is year 5 for the highest number of children passing an AR quiz.

This week's **Century** stars are:
Harriet, Kyra-May, Thomas, Sky & Evie R

DIARY DATES

8th November– INSPIRE session year 4

9th November– Year 5 planetarium visit

15th November– INSPIRE session Reception

18th November– Children In Need– wear your own spotty clothes for £1

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=8636>

22nd November– INSPIRE session year 1

29th November– INSPIRE session year 3

2nd December– Year 2 visit to Enginuity

6th December– INSPIRE session year 2

RESPECT

Star Pupils of the week show our school values of honesty, positive attitude, resilience, respect and caring.

Nursery– Benjamin for respect towards others

Reception– Alyssia-Mae for positive attitude to handwriting

Year 1– Emma for positive attitude to learning

Year 2– Lily for positive attitude to learning

Year 3– Harriet for positive attitude to work

Year 4– Olivia for positive attitude to learning

Year 5– Sion for caring towards his peers

Year 6MJ– Harmani for respect towards others

Year 6JG– Taylor for positive attitude to learning

RESILIENCE

Our skill builders award winners this week are

Isaac, Leighton, Elijah, Jaxon, Ebony, Jimmy, Mia and Aminta





EXPERIENCE

At Hurst Hill we encourage children to have as many different experiences as possible.

This week, after school cooking club with Mrs Whiston began.

The children made lots of delicious cakes, some of which they surprised the Senior Leadership team with!

They also looked at the costs of ingredients and worked out how much the cakes cost to make, and the profit they could make on selling.



FOREST SCHOOL

Work is continuing in our Forest School area. This week we have moved the container to make better use of the space.

A big thank you to J L Cox (Cranes) Ltd who kindly donated the use of their crane and operator free of charge to help us!



Year 2 have been using the forest school to hang their bird feeders that they previously made. We will be looking to see what types of birds are using them.



Well done to Kian, who has achieved his swimming certificate