



Newsletter 7

21 October 2022

Dear Parents

I cannot believe we have completed our first half term and what an adventure we have had over the past few weeks! Thank you to all the children, staff and parents for making school such a happy and exciting place to be. We can't wait for the surprises the next half term will bring! We look forward to seeing you on the 31<sup>st</sup> October.

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AWARD

Our target is to be at **96%** attendance throughout the year. We have dropped below our target.

This week	<b>94.7%</b>
Week beg 10 October	<b>96.7%</b>
Best week to date	Week beginning 03 October 2022 ~ <b>97.5%</b>



### ATTENDANCE

Week beginning 17 October:

CLASS	RED <95%	AMBER 95%	GREEN 96+%
HERON	<b>87.7%</b>		
FOX			<b>99%</b>
BADGER			<b>96.3%</b>
ROBIN	<b>93.7%</b>		
KINGFISHER	<b>94.8%</b>		
HEDGEHOG			<b>96.8%</b>
WOODPECKER	<b>93.4%</b>		
RABBIT		<b>95.7%</b>	
OWL		<b>95.1%</b>	
SQUIRREL	<b>89.3%</b>		

Well done to **Fox Class**.

### HOURS OF LEARNING LOST

As well as monitoring attendance, we also monitor lateness. If your child arrives 5 minutes late each day over the course of the week they will have missed 25 minutes of learning time. Over a period of 4 weeks that is 100 minutes and over a term that is 325 minutes (almost 5 ½ hours).

Punctuality is important in all walks of life and we encourage the children to be good time keepers.

<b>This week 17 October 2022</b>	286 minutes = 4 hours and 46 minutes
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## GOLDEN BOOK

This week the following children shared their learning with me:

<i>Alice</i>	<i>Heron Class</i>	<i>Yusuf</i>	<i>Heron Class</i>	<i>Chiara</i>	<i>Heron Class</i>
<i>Charlotte</i>	<i>Heron Class</i>	<i>Rishi</i>	<i>Heron Class</i>	<i>Daisy</i>	<i>Heron Class</i>

## ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE SCHOOL

We like to celebrate the achievements and awards of our children outside of school too! If your child has earned an award in an event, please send in a copy of the certificate and we can mention them in our weekly newsletters.

This week we celebrated the success of:

<b>Pupil</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Achievement</b>
<i>Shray</i>	<i>Rabbit</i>	<i>Best dressed at Navratri Hindu Dance Festival</i>
<i>Eren</i>	<i>Fox</i>	<i>Park Run ~ 12<sup>th</sup> place for age group</i>

## PHONE FREE FRIDAY

This week we had 5 responses to the question of the week! Thank you to everyone who is taking part!

<b>Favourite Answer</b>			
<b>Question</b>	<b>Answer</b>	<b>Pupil</b>	<b>Class</b>
<i>If you could spend the day with a character from a book, who would you choose and why?</i>	<i>Officer Pugh in Cops and Robbers because it would be exciting to chase the robbers!</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Heron</i>

This week's question is:

**Would you prefer to take a trip to the mountains or the beach? Why?**

[Remember to Tweet your answers, use this link ~ @HeadCassInf](#)

## HARVEST FESTIVAL UPDATE

Update on our donation ~ we collected a fantastic 344Kgs! Thank you for your support.

## ART EXHIBITION ~ Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October

We were genuinely blown away with all the positive comments and praise for our Art Exhibition! The children's art work on display was wonderful and all credit to our amazing artists. Each piece of art work on display was unique and special and I hope they are proudly displayed at home.

If you have not yet had chance to purchase your masterpiece the school gateway payment area will be open until Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November and paintings will be sent home on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

All monies raised will be used to develop our resources for History, Geography, Religious Education and PSHE.

## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY COLLECTION

Poppies will be available in exchange for a donation towards the Royal British Legion. Poppies will be available in class and will be 'sold' in class by our Year 2 pupils. Should you wish to participate, please send in a donation in a named envelope to the class teacher from the 1<sup>st</sup> November to 11<sup>th</sup> November.

This year, in addition to the poppies we have some additional items for 'sale'. These items are wristbands, keyrings, zip tabs and flip rulers. These items will be available under the gazebo after school from the 1<sup>st</sup> November and will be on a first come first basis. Again this is for a contribution to the Royal British Legion.

## SCHOOL CLUBS

A reminder that you are able to sign up for clubs for after half term. Please look on our website for more information: [Extra Curricular Clubs](#)

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## ATTENDANCE AND LATENESS

Monitoring letters have been sent to parents for this half term.

## FLU VACCINATIONS

Information has been sent this week about the flu vaccinations for the children. Please ensure you have read the information carefully and completed the online form.

## CSA NEWSLETTER

This is attached. Please make a note of various fundraising activities and dates.

## ATTACHED FLYERS:

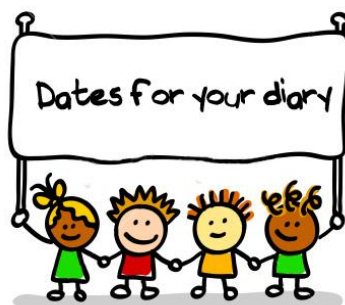
Buzzee Bodies ~ this month's flyer which has a fun 'Autumn Bingo' to complete.

South West Herts Partnership ~ information about the cost of living and a calendar of events.

Have a lovely weekend and a restful half term.

With best wishes

*Charlotte Cooper*  
*Headteacher*



## Autumn term 2022

Date	What's Happening?	Where?	Time?
Wed 2 November	KS1 parent consultation	Virtual	3.30-6pm
Thu 3 November	KS1 parent consultation	Virtual	3.30-6pm
Fri 4 November	Learning Outdoor Day		
Mon 7 November	No Electricity Day (Switch Off Fortnight)		
Tue 8 November	EYFS parent consultation	Virtual	3.30-6pm
Wed 9 November	EYFS parent consultation	Virtual	3.30-6pm
Thursday 10 November	Flu Immunisations		9-3pm
Mon 14 November	Well Being Week Road Safety Week		
Fri 18 November	Children in Need		
Mon 21 November	Maths Week		
Wed 23 November	Maths Parent Pit Stop	School Hall	2pm & 6pm
Fri 25 November	Learning together morning	9am	Classrooms
Thu 1 December	Christmas Deco Day		
Fri 2 December	School Closed ~ Occasional Day		
Wed 7 December	Reception ~ Christmas at St Luke's	St Luke's Church	9:30am
Wed 7 December	Year 2 ~ Christmas at St Luke's	St Luke's Church	10:45am
Thu 8 December	Year 1 ~ Christmas at St Luke's	St Luke's Church	9:30am
Wed 14 December	Christmas Pantomime		

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Fri 16 December	Christmas jumper and dinner day		
Wk beg 19 December	Christmas Parties		
Tue 20 December	Nursery Nativity	School Hall	9:15am
Tue 20 December	End of term for Nursery pupils		
Wed 21 December	Autumn term ends 1:15pm		



PLEASE NOTE THESE ARE THE DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR **2022/23**  
These dates are the same as the junior school.

#### AUTUMN 2022

Mon 24 Oct – Fri 28 Oct	Half term
Friday 2 December	Occasional Day ~ School closed to pupils
Wednesday 21 December	Autumn term ends 1:15pm

#### SPRING 2023

Thursday 5 January	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Friday 6 January	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Monday 9 January	Spring term starts
Mon 13 Feb – Fri 17 Feb	Half term
Friday 31 March	Spring term ends 1:15pm

#### SUMMER 2023

Monday 17 April	Summer term starts
Mon 29 May – 2 June	Half term
Friday 30 June	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Friday 21 July	End of summer term 1:15pm



PLEASE NOTE THESE ARE THE DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR **2023/24**  
These dates are the same as the junior school.

### **AUTUMN 2023**

Friday 1 September	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Monday 4 September	Autumn term starts
Mon 23 Oct – Fri 27 Oct	Half term
Friday 1 December	Occasional Day ~ School closed to pupils
Wednesday 20 December	Autumn term ends 1:15pm

### **SPRING 2024**

Thursday 4 January	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Friday 5 January	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Monday 8 January	Spring term starts
Mon 19 Feb – Fri 23 Feb	Half term
Thursday 28 March	Spring term ends 1:15pm

### **SUMMER 2024**

Monday 15 April	Summer term starts
Mon 27 May – 31 May	Half term
Friday 19 July	End of summer term 1:15pm
Monday 22 July	INSET ~ School closed to pupils
Tuesday 23 July	INSET ~ School closed to pupils