



# **Hummingbird Class Newsletter**

3.10.25

We are now already a month into the new school year, and routines have been well established in classrooms. We have worked hard on embedding the Whiston Willis Way and children are responding well to our high expectations. As a school, we are continuing our journey to becoming a Silver Healthy School. We appreciate your support with this and would like to ensure that children have a healthy snack with them for break times.

Please ensure that all your children's belongings both uniform and equipment are labelled with their names on. A reminder that Hummingbird's PE days are Tuesday and Thursday.

## English

We are now ending our work on the text 'The Bear Under the Stairs.' The children have been writing their own information pages all about bears using the features of a non-fiction text including headings and subheadings. We are really impressed with the children's work during our first text and look forward to seeing their progress as the year continues. We are now going to be moving on to our next text 'The Bear and the Piano.'

## Maths

In Maths, we have been working hard on addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers. The children are using a range of methods such as place value charts, part whole models and column addition and subtraction to support them in their calculations. This is a skill that, once mastered, will benefit them throughout the year so any extra practise they can get at home will really benefit them!

## Science

In Science, our unit is living things and their habitats. The children have been using investigating skills to looks closely at plants and discover where they would grow.

## History

Our topic this half term is The Great Fire of London. We have explored how the fire started and why it spread so quickly.

#### Geography

In Geography, we have explored both human and physical features. We have identified both the human and physical features that are most important to our local area.

## **PSHE**

In PSHE, the children are looking at their topic Being Me in My World. We have thought about our rights and responsibilities as a member of our class and our school.

# DT

For our DT, we are going to be sewing this half term, making our own puppets. The children have made their paper template for their puppet and chose their materials ready to make their puppets.

#### DE

In RE, the children are exploring different stories from the bible where Jesus has used his hands to help others. The children have identified how they use their hands to help and protect others.

## Computing

In Computing, the children have revisited algorithms and coding

We are enjoying our dance unit this half term. The children have really enjoyed putting actions together for different characters at the circus. We have been thinking about counting in beats of 8 and moving to the beat of the music.

# News

# Daily Reading at home

Please spend 10 minutes reading with your child, and record this in their reading records, it helps them to become confident and fluent readers who can move through the Read, Write Inc scheme. We have spoken to the children about taking ownership for this and being able to write in their own records when parents are busy. The children have been really enthusiastic about having this responsibility. We appreciate your support from home.

# Uniform

Please ensure your child's uniform is labelled clearly with their name. This will really support staff in returning any lost uniform.

## Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a water bottle with them in school each day.

# Harvest Assembly

Our children will be involved in a Harvest Assembly next Thursday 9th October. We are collecting food bank donations up until this day. Many thanks for all your donations we have received so far.

### Star of the week

3.10.25 - Nancy

26.9.25 - Harrison

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Thank you for your continued support Miss Boyd, Mrs Ball and Miss Kelly

