## Newsletter

### Friday 18th November 2022

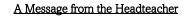
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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have lots of news to share from Newhall from the first three weeks back after half term; we hope you enjoy reading about what we have been doing in this newsletter.

We have had the pleasure of seeing two fabulous assemblies from Maple Class and Beech Class. It is wonderful to see the children's confidence and the range and quality of learning that has taken place. The children were incredibly proud of themselves and rightly so.

It was great to see so many of you attend our parents' and carers' meetings, for both school and nursery, that we held on 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> November. We hope you found the conversations about your child's successes and next steps useful.

Antibullying week was a focus during the week of  $14^{\rm th}$  November. A useful definition of bullying is the STOP acronym - **S**everal **T**imes **O**n **P**urpose. It is important to remember that single problems and falling out with friends are not bullying. If you feel your child is being bullied, you should speak with your child's class teacher and the allegation will be investigated. Our PSHE curriculum supports our children on how to identify bullying and what to do if it is occurring.

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Enjoy the weekend when it arrives.

Mr Duffv











As summer is now a distant memory and nights are darker and colder, we have had great fun at nursery with autumn-themed activities including pumpkin play, leaf printing and experimenting with autumn colours.

You may have noticed your washing at home has been increasing where the children are still enjoying outside play more than ever! Jumping in puddles is a MUST in the rain when you are little. If your child has wellies, hats and rain suits, we recommend that now is the time to be bringing them into nursery to try to prevent your washing increasing!

School applications opened on  $7^{th}$  November. Please make sure you apply by  $15^{th}$  January 2023 if your child is due to go to school in September. Please ask if we can help you with this.

With the cost of living increasing, please make sure you are using all available options to you regarding paying for your childcare. We do accept 2-year funding, 30 hours and also tax-free childcare. Please use this website to see what you are entitled to.

We have some exciting dates coming up, so please make sure you keep a note of them and an eye on Tapestry which is where we remind you of upcoming events.

Ms. Pike















#### Year 4

Year 4 have had a busy start to this half term! In English, we began by writing a poem based on autumn. The children looked at existing poems about autumn, discussing which were their favourites and why, and then had a go at creating their own 'puzzle poetry'. Everyone has blown us away with their ideas! In maths, we have just wrapped up our topic of area. We learnt that area is the surface covered by a closed 2D shape and used sticky notes to create our own rectilinear shapes. In DT, we launched our new topic of nutrition by exploring different types of bread. The children considered how it looked, felt and tasted before giving it a rating out of 10. Finally, we had HSBC visit us to talk about being sensible and safe with our money. We discussed what things we may like to bring to a deserted island and a variety of techniques we could use to ensure we don't spend too much on video game extras!











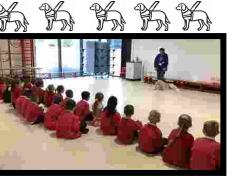












'To Infinity and Beyond'. We have been busy learning









#### Year 2

Guide Dogs

What a great start to our half term! We had the pleasure of a guide dog visit and learnt what an important role guide dogs play in helping visually impaired people. We then created exciting posters inviting parents to our cake sale to raise money







#### Snowdrop

Over the past few weeks Snowdrop have been exploring our topic 'Twinkle, twinkle here we are'. The children have been so engaged with learning lots of nursery rhymes and have even developed some favourite rhymes! This week we are learning about 'twinkle, twinkle little star' and have been printing our own star creations!











In computing, we have begun a new blog and practised our typing skills as well as learning about how to stay safe online. In English, we are reading 'Fortunately the milk' and have begun creating some exciting adventure stories which we can't wait to publish! In DT we have explored how pop-up book works and have begun thinking about how we can make our own pop-up books too! We have also learnt the different seasons in French!







## Year 1

Year 1 have started to create a "working" display during out PSHE lessons. We are creating gingerbread men and adding different items of clothing every week. We are adding all the ways we can celebrate differences. Some fantastic ideas include "we have different eyes", "we like different lessons", "I have more pets than them" and "I like different sports". We can't wait to see the gingerbread men completed over the coming weeks.



#### Bluebell

Bluebell have been enjoying our 'People who help us topic" through imaginary play. They have been making the babies better, putting out fires and making some police arrests! On Wednesdays the children are getting used to going to the main school building to the library, walking nicely through the school and being as quiet as they can. At the library they explore some books independently and then they listen to an adult read a story. In maths we have been focusing on 1:1 counting and matching the number to the amount. It would be great to see what counting you are doing at home.



Over the last few weeks in Blossom the children have enjoyed exploring the autumn topic. They created their own firework pictures through mark making using paint dabbers. They currently have an interest in exploring animals and their different sounds - they enjoyed exploring and listening to autumnal stories about



#### Blossom

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#### **Important Dates**

Date	Event
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Rowan Class Assembly
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Elm Class Assembly
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Week of 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Performances – see separate section of the newsletter









Please see below for details of our Christmas events. No booking is required. Please note that photos are not permitted to be taken during the performances.





Class / Year Group	Date / Time	Location	Details
Bluebell	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 09:15	School Hall	Christmas Songs
Willow	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 09:15	School Hall	Nativity
Cherry	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 09:15	School Hall	Nativity
Year 1 and Year 2	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 14:45	Playground	Carol Concert
Year 3 and Year 4	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 14:45	Playground	Carol Concert





















Thank You



A GREAT BIG THANK

#### Thank you

Thank you to all of our AMAZING school community for all of your donations towards our recent school events! We have raised such an incredible amount of money for the charities we have been supporting.

<u>Charity</u>	Amount Raised
Macmillan Cancer Support	£313.79
Hello Yellow - World Mental Health Day	£293.05
Guide Dogs Association (Yr2)	£97.46
Food Bank	194kg – this equates to 462 meals
Poppy Appeal	TBC
Children in Need	£386.52























Our attendance for each class for the first two weeks back after half term was as follows. Well done to Hazel Class!



Things to come......

We are very excited to announce a new club, Meridian Kung Fu. This club will be starting at Newhall Academy in the New Year. More information regarding the days and how to sign-up will be available within the next few weeks.



COMING SOON	
<b>Meridian Kung Fu</b>	
HARLOW	
Join the 1000's of children throughout Essex that have skyrocketed their confidence with MKF (UK). Our exciting & dynamic kids classes will teach self defence while developing key life skills	LEARN (KUNG FU
Brand new beginner's classes in January 2023	* 0

Year Group	Class	Attendance
R	Cherry	96.0%
R	Willow	94.0%
1	Rowan	94.4%
1	Beech	91.4%
2	Elm	92.7%
2	Hazel	96.4%
3	Maple	96.1%
3	Chestnut	94.9%
4	Ash	91.8%
4	Juniper	93.3%



