



# Autumn Term Newsletter 2

## Message from the Headteacher

As we move towards the end of November so much has been happening in our school. We have shared much of this with you in separate communications over the term but it's fair to say it has been a busy and positive term so far.

Considering all of the restrictions and changes to normal school arrangements, we have still been able to maintain as much normality as possible for the children including events such as Sports Week, Lego event in KS1, non-uniform day, Yr1 Super Hero week, Anti-bullying week to name a few. There are some more exciting things planned in the lead up to Christmas and you will receive an email on 7th December about one event in particular - the children will love it!

We continue to work hard to reduce risks regarding COVID-19. The routines we introduced and have then reviewed and adapted since March 23rd continue to be followed by the school community. Clearly the picture is ever changing and the next five weeks of this term will no doubt present some challenges. However, we will continue to do our best and keep you and the children informed of any changes we have to make. Hopefully we can get to the end of the autumn term safely and with some Christmas fun too.

Please keep an eye on emails and communications from us over these next few weeks. Thank you to everyone for helping us by following requests relating to face coverings, maintaining distances etc. Your continued help and support is appreciated as always.

**Andy Lyons**

**Headteacher**

### Attendance Report

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95.18%	94.91%	95.87%	96.95%	96.29%	97.22%	96.56%

### School total

96.16%

## A Message from The Friends of Hampton Hargate PTA

Although we cannot hold our usual events, The Friends of Hampton Hargate PTA are still up and running and in September we appointed our key committee members for the year. They are as follows:

Chair - Samantha Guy

Vice Chair - Hannah Fletcher

Treasurer - Sarah Wennell

Treasurer Support - Deborah Willoughby

Secretary - Carrie Barrett

Secretary Support - Caroline Moore

In 2019-2020 despite the cancellation of many fundraising events we still managed to raise £3,721.88 for the school. Recently, we used our funds to buy new reading books and 20 iPads for the children. We will also be providing money for some festive fun!

If you would like to join the PTA as a committee member or to be added to our volunteer list then please email: [friendsvicechair@hampton-haragte.peterborough.sch.uk](mailto:friendsvicechair@hampton-haragte.peterborough.sch.uk).

We are unable to hold our Christmas Fayre this year but we will still be holding a Christmas Raffle as detailed in a recent email. There are still Raffle tickets available for purchase. The 1st prize is a £100 Amazon voucher - Good Luck!

## Lego Robotics Workshop

Key stage 1 took part in a Lego robotics workshop. They worked well with a partner. They followed steps to make a Lego fairground ride, they attached a motor, used an iPad to create algorithms to make their fairground ride move, make noises etc.

As part of our robots topic, Key Stage 1 have designed, planned and created their own junk model robots.



## Anti Bullying Week



Last week the children have taken part in Anti Bullying Week.

This year, more than ever, we've witnessed the positive power that society can have when we come together to tackle a common challenge. Anti-Bullying Week is no different. Bullying has a long-lasting effect on those who experience and witness it. But by channelling our collective power, through shared efforts and shared ambitions, we can reduce bullying together. This week we are 'shining a light' on bullying and are discussing with the children ways to be 'United Against Bullying'.

On Monday we kicked started the week with Odd Socks Day assembly with Mr Lyons and the Odd Socks and special guests including the amazing Mo Farah and Anne-Marie! The children wore odd socks to school to highlight the cause - It was certainly a sight to behold! Wearing odd socks is a fantastic opportunity to encourage the children to express themselves and to celebrate their individuality and what makes them unique.

During the week the whole school watched an online antibullying show and completed a range of activities to do with bullying, friendship and kindness. They produced poems, videos, poems, posters and raps. Everyone did an amazing job!





## Remembrance Day



This term we have acknowledged Remembrance Day. Each class took part in different activities to remember the fallen and show their respect.

In Key Stage 1, we have created poppy wreaths, handprint poppies, split pin poppies and printed poppies using apples and paint.

In Key stage 2, we made enjoyed making poppies today and we were very proud to wear them to show our respect



## Fundraising

### Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who took part and made a donation towards the school's non-school uniform day last Friday. Together we raised an incredible **£705.54** for the Children in Need Charity.



## FSCI Christmas Box Appeal

A huge thank you to those who donated items and created boxes for the the FSCI Christmas Box Appeal. We were very happy to be able to send 45 boxes to those in need this Christmas.



## Please remember.....



- Activate ParentPay Account
- School Dinner Payments
- Adhere to school COVID-19 guidance

### Autumn/Winter Weather

As the weather is changing and getting a lot colder, please ensure that your child comes to school dressed appropriately for the weather and bring their coats (and jumpers) with them.



### We love our planet...

Don't forget to bring your used batteries into the school reception area and deposit in our battery bin for recycling.



## Term Dates and Events for the Autumn Term



### **DECEMBER 2020**

Wednesday 9th Dec - Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 9th Dec - Christmas Jumper Day 1

Tuesday 15th Dec - Christmas Jumper Day 2 and special event!

Thursday 17th Dec - End of term

### **JANUARY 2021**

Tuesday 5th January - Spring term starts for children

### **FEBRUARY 2021**

Friday 12th February - Non-uniform for Alzheimer's charity

15th to 19th February - half term week

Tuesday 23rd February - Class photo day

NB. Parent evening is planned for March 2021. We will confirm the dates with you in the new year when we are aware of guidelines and any restrictions we need to work to.

## **Term Dates for 2020-2021**

### **Autumn Term 2020**

Term ends: Thursday 17th December 2020

### **Spring Term 2021**

Term starts: Tuesday 5th January 2021

Half term: Monday 15th - Friday 19th February 2021

Term ends: Friday 26th March 2021

### **Summer Term 2021**

Term starts: Monday 12th April 2021

Half term: Monday 31st May - Monday 7th June 2021

(Children return after half term on **Tuesday 8th June**)

Term ends: Tuesday 20th July 2021

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