



Henleaze Infant School

13th September 2024 Bulletin

Headteacher update:

We have LOVED getting to know the new Reception children this week and are really impressed with their confidence and curiosity as they get to know their new environment and friends. A big well done to all parents and carers for preparing the children for the start of their school journey. Having just had my eldest finish a-Levels and leave school this summer, I can tell you it goes in a flash!

Below are some examples of the children playing together "making barbeques", "cooking lunch" and further below creating imaginative worlds in and around the 'mountain'.



Elsewhere in the school, Year 2 had a fabulous time during their 'Wow Day' imagining life as a member of a medieval castle community. We had knights, princesses, warrior-princesses, dragons, jesters and even a castle itself! These immersive experiences help to make learning 'stick' and encourage some creative thinking. Year 1 are embracing their 'Rainbow challenges' demonstrating the independence and perseverance they developed during their Reception

Coming up:

Next week: Year 1 Wow Day

15/16th Oct Parents/carers invited into school for a phonics learn-a-long

[Click below for the school calendar](#)



Daffodil Class: Ruby
Cherry Class: Sophie
Maple Class: Joshua
Sycamore Class: Yoav
Willow Class: Seraphine

Class of the Week:

Cherry Class for working extra hard on lining up skills.

Congratulations everyone!



year and showing their Year 1 teachers what they have taken on from their carpet inputs.

We're pleased to see a wider uptake of hot meals this week. There has been a great range of balanced-meal choices throughout the week. None seem to take the top spot from the favourite 'Fish and Chip Friday' though!



Have a great weekend-I may see you at party in the park...

Kind Regards,

Gemma Fricker

Photos and information about what has been happening in classes, the learning plans as well as **important messages** from teachers are all found in the class blogs ([click below](#))



Curriculum Update: Reading

Well done to all of the children who completed the Libraries Summer Reading Challenge this year. We had a phenomenal amount of medals and certificates to celebrate this week! We are immensely proud of the children's commitment to reading over the summer and it's been wonderful to hear all about the stories that they have read and shared with their grown ups.

FHIS

Friends of Henleaze Infants School will have the first meeting for this academic year on Monday 30th September at 7.30pm at the school! Please come along for and drink and to find out how you can help to raise vital money for our school. ALL ARE WELCOME!

SAVE THE DATE

Autumn Extravaganza -
Saturday 12th October
2.30pm- 4.30pm

Henleaze Community
Fireworks - Saturday 9th
November

Christmas Bazaar at
Henleaze Juniors -
Saturday 7th December
1pm- 4pm

**Click here for more news
on the FHIS webpage:**

Please look out for information coming soon about our phonics learn-a-longs when we invite parents/carers into see a lesson in action to help you to understand how best to support reading at home.

Dates for diaries: Year 1 and : 15th Oct 9:00-9:30,
Reception: 16th October 9:15-10:15

Kim Hibbard
Teacher and Phonics & Reading Lead

Important Messages:

Pupil Premium Funding to support your child:

We have noticed that some families are unsurprisingly not sure whether their child is eligible for Pupil Premium funding or what the benefits are. We have created a short summary document ([linked here](#)) to distill all information that we strongly encourage you to read.

The purpose of the funding goes far beyond the cost of school lunches (which would impact from Year 3 upwards) and is used to provide things such as additional reading support, some 1-to-1 teacher time for groups or individuals, interventions such as speech and language support or ELSA and in some cases subsidising clubs.

The summary for parents and a pupil premium eligibility checker form is attached to the bulletin. The school office team are really happy to support and we encourage anyone who thinks they may be eligible to complete the application. Eligibility continues for 6 years after the acceptance of an application, regardless of a change in circumstances.

Attendance:

This is a further reminder that the national framework for schools attendance came into force in August 2024. All schools must consider Fixed penalty fines for unauthorised absences of 10 sessions (or 5 days) in a 10 week rolling period. This can be cumulative or in one block. Please avoided term-time holidays as these cannot be authorised. See our [admissions and attendance](#) page for more information.

SEND Parent/Carer Support:

Please follow [this link](#) to the September leaflet packed full of support sessions and information.



September 2024 Newsletter

To book breakfast club, after school club or sports enrichment click [here](#). To see more enrichment opportunities visit our [extra-curricular clubs page](#).

Breakfast Club

Weekdays 8.00am – 8.45am



School's Out Henleaze

