Heckington St Andrew's Church of England Primary School Newsletter



20th October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who attended our parent consultation evenings this week. I hope you found it useful to discuss with your child's class teacher how well they have settled into their new classes this academic year. If you were not able to attend and would still like a meeting with your child's class teacher, then please contact the office to arrange a mutually convenient appointment.

Year 3 led a super collective worship for parents this morning showcasing their learning from this half term. Well done Chestnut Class! Thank you to all the parents who came along to celebrate their learning with them - we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!

October is Black History Month and living in rural Lincolnshire, we all know how important it is for our children to learn about diversity and inclusivity. Therefore, all of the children have spent time this week learning more about Black History Month.

Finally, thank you for all your continued support and I do hope that you all have a lovely, restful half term and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 31st October.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Bentley Headteacher

**	PE TIMET	ABLE Term 2	2022-2023	
	Oak	Monday		
*	Maple	Thursday		
	Willow	Wednesday	Thursday	
	Chestnut	Monday	Friday	
	Rowan	Monday	Friday	
*	Silver Birch	Tuesday	Thursday	
	Hazel	Tuesday	Wednesday	

Diary Dates

21.10.22 - Last day of term

- 31.10.22 First day back of term
- 03.11.22 Wrates school photographs
- 16.11.22 NHS flu nasal spray
- 16.11.22 PTFA School disco—(details to follow)
- 18.11.22 Children in Need learning council led (details to follow)

<u>Sports clubs — Term 2</u>

Y3/Y4 Mixed Football—Monday 3.30-4.30pm Y5/Y6 Mixed Netball—Thursday 3.30-4.30pm

Bookings for next term's sports club open at 16.00 today. Please use the following link

<u> SchoolCloud - Heckington St Andrew's</u>



A huge thank you to our Chestnut Class families for joining us for our class assembly and exhibition today. It was so nice to share our learning with you.





Rowan class have been looking at the different food groups and then made healthy, delicious smoothies!



Our year 6 Child MPs represented our school on Friday 14th October at the Live Parliament debate where they discussed and debated priorities for King Charles' III. Our Child MPs felt equality was a really important issue. We are looking forward to the next debate being held in the houses of parliament in the new year!



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ELSA information for Parents and Carers

Who are we and what do we do

An ELSA (emotional literacy support assistant) is a member of staff who is trained to support children in the development of their emotional literacy. Our ELSA at Heckington St Andrews is Mrs Lafferty in our DEN (develop, encourage, nurture) room, which is a quiet and safe space for the child/children to talk and feel secure.



What is emotional literacy?

- Understanding what our bodies are telling us through feelings.
- Understanding and coping with feelings about ourselves and others.
- Developing high self-esteem and positive interactions with others.
- Being emtionally literate helps children to focus better on their learning.

Some of the areas ELSA can help with:

- Recognising emotion
- Self-esteem
- Social skills
- Friendship skills
- Anger management
- Loss and bereavement

How does ELSA work?

- A regular slot during the school week.
- Sessions can be individual or in small groups and tailored to the child's individual needs.
- Sessions are fun and might include role-play, puppets, board games, activity sheets, art and stories.
- Sessions include time to talk.
- A pupil's progress will be reviewed on a half-term basis

As a parent/carer, how can you help?

- By informing the class teacher if there are any issues that may be affecting your child
- Please feel welcome to contact your child's teacher or Mrs Lafferty if you have any questions



WILDCATS GIRLS FOOTBALL







£2 PER Session THURSDAYS CARRE'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL 3G 5:30 - 6:30

AGES 5 - 11

Fun Sessions Qualified Coaches Tournaments throughout the year New and exisiting players welcome

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