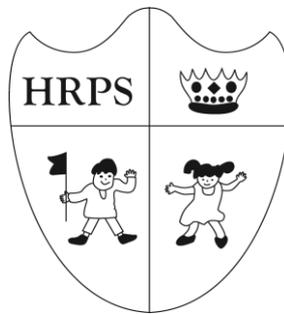


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NEWSLETTER

7 October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

As the weather gets colder can parents please ensure that all children have a warm coat with them at school. Winter school uniform should be worn from after half term. A big thank you to our wonderful PTA for running 'Grandparents Day' recently, a lot of hard work went into putting this event on. Please keep an eye out for other PTA events on the weekly school newsletter.

What to do should you be concerned that your child is struggling academically?

If you are concerned that your child may be falling behind their peers at school please initially make an appointment to see your child's class teacher. This can be done either by speaking to the school office or by contacting the teacher concerned using the class email address. Each class has an address. This is the colour of the class followed by @houghtonregisprimary.co.uk. For example, purple@houghtonregisprimary.co.uk. All classes have one of these addresses with the following exceptions, Elizabeth and Red Classes share red@, Platinum Jubilee Nursery and Platinum Reception Classes share platinum@.

If parents are still concerned then please ask the office to make an appointment to see our SENDCo, Ms Dawn Alexis to discuss specific issues and concerns. If your concern is more around your child's behaviour an interaction at home then we also have a family support worker, Mrs Lynsey Fennell.

Parent Governor Vacancy

Our hardworking and strategic thinking governing body require an additional parent governor to join the board. If you are interested in the role please feel free to contact me to discuss the role. Our Chair of Governors, Mr T Muldownie and other parent governor Mrs Sam O'Connell are also more than happy to talk to potential candidates. Application packs are available from the school office.

Yours sincerely

James Edwards

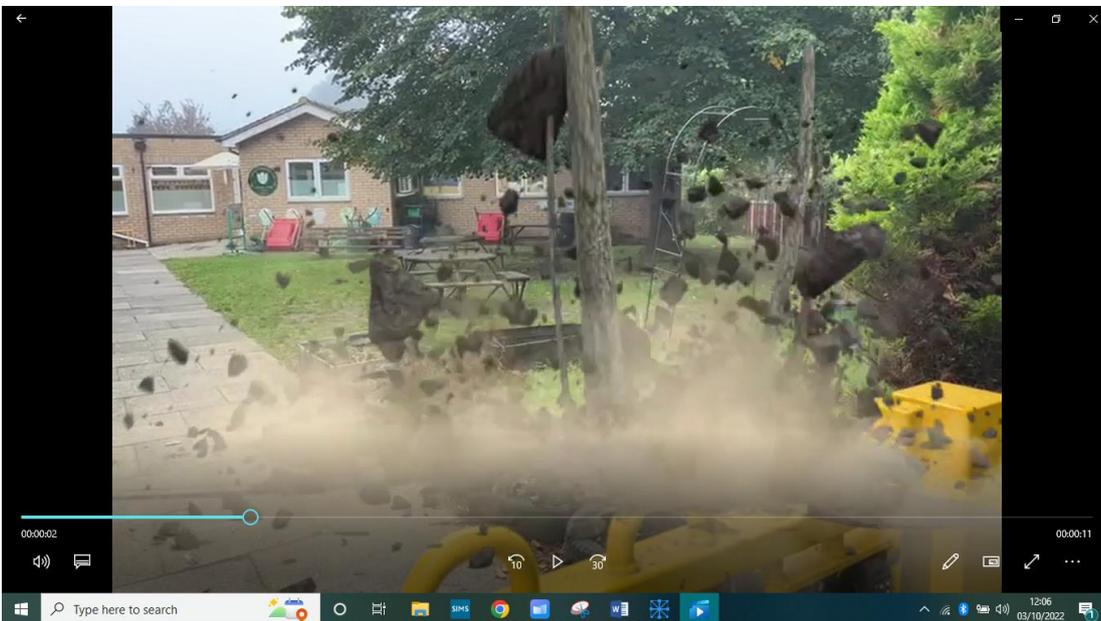
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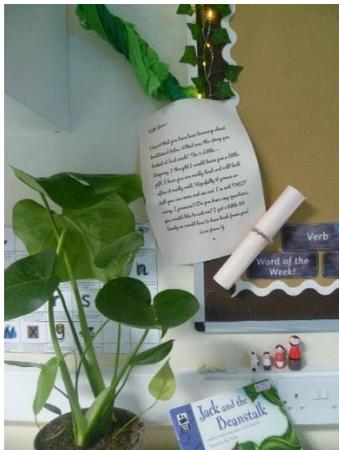
Learning in Year 1

Our Year 1 children have been making a great start to KS1 this term. They have been improving their handwriting, working hard on their number work, building up their gymnastic skills and becoming more independent learners. This week the classes have been looking at traditional tales.

Report from Indigo Class

On Monday, Indigo Class had a mystery visitor leave some clues behind which included some very large footprints, some magic beans and a plant. The children couldn't believe their eyes when they saw a video which showed a beanstalk bursting through the ground in the paddock area!





Report from Orange Class

Orange Class found a plant and a letter in their classroom! The plant had huge footprints leading up to it with beans scattered on the floor. Also, someone sent the teachers an email which was a video of a huge beanstalk growing from the ground in the paddock! They had to guess who had left these clues. They also found a book which had been wrapped up... this turned out to be Jack and the Beanstalk. They thought of questions that they'd like to ask the giant and hope that he pays them a visit or write another letter soon!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Event	Year groups involved	Date
National Space Centre	Year 5	Tuesday, 11 October 2022
Parents' Consultation Evening	All	Monday, 17 October 2022
Parents' Consultation Evening	All	Tuesday, 18 October 2022
Celtic Harmony	Year 3	Monday, 31 October 2022
KS1 Nativity	Years 1 & 2	Tuesday, 6 December 2022 - 1:45 – 3.00pm
KS1 Nativity	Years 1 & 2	Wednesday, 7 December 2022- 9:15 – 10:15am
PTA EVENTS		
PTA AGM		Wednesday, 9 November 2022 – 6.00 – 7.00pm

This week's Attendance Awards

KS1 – Purple – 97.4%

KS2 – Emerald – 96.61%



PTA AGM

Wednesday 9 November, 6pm-7pm
Amber Classroom

At present we do not have a full committee. We are working on getting more interest drummed up amongst parents.

Fundamentally, should we not be able to fulfil the committee roles, we run the risk of the PTA having to fold. We really want to avoid this outcome and therefore fully appreciate all the support you can give, in spreading the word throughout the school, relaying communications to parents and ask that should any teachers have parents that show some interest, to please encourage them to reach out to the PTA so we get them onboard.



SUAVE WORD OF THE WEEK

charming

DEFINITION Pleasant and likeable.

EXAMPLE Our new teacher was very charming.

ACTIVITY Use the word in three different sentences.

CAR PARKING ISSUES

A reminder for parents that the school car park is for staff use only. Please do not drive in to drop your children off. Also, please be considerate of our neighbours when dropping your children at school. Please do not park in front of drives or the school gates.

Thank you

STAR AWARDS

			
Danny DETERMINATION says, "DON'T GIVE UP."	Colin CURIOSITY says, "THINK FOR YOURSELF."	Chloe COMMUNICATION says, "RESPECT OTHERS."	Izzy INDEPENDENCE says, "DO YOUR BEST."
Arthur R	Winnie W-C	Ayma U	Milan Z
Cory B	Reggie H-W	Jude E	Violet H
Freddie H	Julianna E	Abdul H	Korrey P
Annabelle L	Ibrahim H	Lyra S-P	Jude M
Chloe D		Lana C	Freddie C
Arthur R		Jayce G	Alfie G
Harry F		Harrison B	Patryk M
Esther K			Kira A
			Mollie S

