



The Hayfield Herald

Welcome to Hayfield Cross 2017-18



A fantastic start to the year where we welcomed our new families, celebrated Roald Dahl Day, had our first celebration assembly of the year and our new staff had a fabulous start as part of Team Orange



A huge welcome to you all whether you are returning (some of you for your third year which doesn't seem possible!) or you have just started at our wonderful school we hope you will all have a fantastic year ahead. The new Reception children look very smart in their new uniforms, have settled well and seem very happy in their new school. We have also welcomed Miss Rose as Ladybird Class teacher, Miss Rowse as Squirrel Class teacher, Miss Mulroy as Year 3 teacher and Mrs Woollard as Bumblebee Classes Teaching Assistant in the mornings (with Mrs Jolly in the afternoon).

On Wednesday we celebrated Roald Dahl Day with all of Key Stage 1 and 2 split into groups and after a Roald Dahl quiz with Mrs Plesca all went to places around the school to enjoy a Roald Dahl story read by different adults. It was a really lovely event and definitely something we will do again in the future. We were also really impressed with the children's knowledge and experience of Roald Dahl stories which shows how much they love to read and enjoy stories, and how much you all do at home with them!

On Wednesday we also hosted a meeting for parents by Cllr Bunday about the issues with the 'temporary measures'. Thank you to all who attended. Lloyd was joined by Cllr Matt Golby and Cllr Victoria Perry from NCC who apologised to the parents because the situation here is not acceptable and they are committed to improve it for us. There has been a lot of work behind the scenes going on and we hope that soon they will come to fruition and you will see a difference. One thing mentioned in the meeting was that we are being funded to staff a drop-off system in the mornings which has been brought up by many parents of the older children before. Next week we will send out a questionnaire about this so we can gather your ideas and views, we will then do the risk assessments and work out a plan and then share it with you... watch this space!

The new learning experiences and homework's were sent out this week and are posted on the class pages of the school website for your reference. We are in the process of updating the website but are having some technical difficulties in school with accessing it so we apologise if parts of it aren't yet fully up to date. Please remember that the homework is optional but the more opportunities the children have to enjoy learning the better their learning will be. Reading is of course THE most important thing they can do so make sure they are all reading every day, whatever they choose to read!

Worship Wednesday's led by our linked churches will continue to be open to all parents this year and we would love you to join us at this time in joint worship. The dates for this term are:

20 th September	- Rev Eleanor (CTK)	- International Day of Peace
4 th October	- Rev Andy (St. Bots)	- Vessel or Lamp?
11 th October	- Rev Eleanor & Rev Andy	- HARVEST FESTIVAL

This year we are going to be working in Partnership with the University of Northampton with their teacher training programme supporting new teachers to train into the profession to ensure the teachers of the future will be as good as all of ours are. This week we welcomed Miss Letch for her preliminary days in Year 2 where she will be working at different points during this term so you may see her before and after school.

Finally, thank you all for choosing Hayfield Cross Church of England School and all your continued support for our school. I was extremely proud in our meeting with councillors this week to hear you all speak so passionately about our school and your appreciation of all we do for the children. It is wonderful to be a part of a school where we all work together to being the very best for each and every child, every single day. For our new parents we have an open door policy and pride ourselves in working with our parents. If you ever have a worry or concern please speak to us, we work hard to resolve any issues and believe that tackling things as soon as they happen is always the best policy. If you aren't happy with something tell us, if you are very happy tell everyone!

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