



The Hayfield Herald

CAUTION

Danger Area

 Proceed With Care
 And Knowledge

Being safe online

On Tuesday we were very lucky to have Alex Franklin, a PCSO and online safety expert, lead a special assembly for the children and an information session for parents after school. Online safety is a very high profile thing in all schools now and with the pace of technology and the access to the internet that children now have, even at an early age, it is more important than ever. We organised the session in response to the feedback from the questionnaire we sent out in January. Feedback from the parent's session has been very positive and we hope has been useful in helping to keep all the children safe online at home and at school. There is also lots of information and links about online safety on the website in our safeguarding section: <http://hayfieldcross.org.uk/index.php/information/safeguarding> Huge thanks to Miss Priestley (our online safety leader) for organising this for us and also to Sienna's Mum for arranging for Alex to come in and lead the sessions.

Today we were very pleased to present our latest Hayfield Legends in Celebration Assembly with Ambar (Bumblebee), Liliarna (Ladybirds), Lewis (Hedgehog), Sebby (Owl) and Jamie (Year 3) all joining Legends Row. Well done children we are all very proud of you. Next term we will be organising 'Legends Meetings' where the Legends will help us in lots of things that will continue to make our school even better.

Lots of thanks for your brilliant support this week with Reuben, Zac and Elodie, William Ch parents all answering our plea for dressing up clothes and to James' (Y2) Mum for some lovely books and sweets (we will share at Easter). We are very lucky to have such great support and after half term we will reveal our plans for the playground including all the great equipment we've just ordered. Also thank you all who have offered ideas and links to authors for the Hub. We are just awaiting on some confirmation and hope to have an official opening date soon!

At the end of another term of exciting learning at Hayfield Cross I would, as always, like to say a big thank you to everyone who makes this school so amazing. All of our children, parents, volunteers, visitors and others working here all make our community strong. I feel very privileged to be part of Team Orange and am proud of, and thankful for, our talented staff team who work tirelessly to give the children the very best educational opportunities possible.

Craig Charteris Head Teacher

TOPs ELECTIONS

The TOPs ballots for positions have been collected and will be counted by school to ensure that it is all done fairly and not put anyone putting themselves forward or nominating in a difficult position. We will announce the results after the holiday and look forward to working with the new committee soon and seeing all the great new things that I am sure they will come up with. Please be aware that only those who have put themselves forward are involved in the ballot, there is no continuation of old members unless they have put themselves forward for election. As you are all aware many of the original TOPs committee are now stepping down to let others have a turn to lead it. All of the staff at Hayfield Cross would like to say a huge personal thank you to all of those who are now finishing. Thank you for all your time work and effort in setting up such a fantastic and active group from scratch last year which has provided many special opportunities and events for the children and families and raised a lot of money for our school. You've made a real difference to our school and we are very very grateful.

Notices

Safety First! Compound Parking – In answer to parent concerns about safety in the compound last week we created the new pathway around the whole compound to provide a safe route to school for the children and siblings before and after school. We are very grateful to Cllr Lloyd Bunday and Roxhill who answered our plea and supplied the barriers. We have now acquired some additional fencing and hope to be rearranging the compound over the holidays. We are planning to create a central island to aid traffic flow and prevent cars parking in the middle where it is unsafe for children to cross. This, we hope, will also create a clear roadway so cars will be able to use the new 'roundabout' to turn easily. Please can we ask all parents not to park around the central island, only around the edges of the compound where there is a safe path, to ensure the children can walk along the pathways and the traffic flow will not be blocked. Thank you for your support.

Facebook Groups – As we have made clear before our school does not endorse or support any Facebook group other than our own school page. We accept NO responsibility for anything posted on these groups and do not provide or support any information posted upon them. You will ONLY receive school information direct from school and if you have a question, query or concern please come and speak to us directly so we can make sure we address it for you.

School reopens to children on Monday 20th February