



THE HALE HERALD



THE NEWSLETTER FOR HALE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents and carers

This week the children have enjoyed the better weather and made the most of the time they have had outdoors at break times and during PE lessons. The children have all responded well to our "lining up challenge" and it is becoming increasingly difficult to choose the best class for a point!

Over the past month children in Years 5 and 6 have been using the personalised online Reading Plus programme to develop and improve their reading fluency, comprehension and vocabulary. Feedback from the children, parents and staff has all been very positive. After Easter Year 3 and 4 children will also start to use the programme both in school and at home.

Now that the children have settled back into the morning routine we are keen to regain some of the learning time that is being lost due to the staggered start and finish times. After Easter the gates and classroom doors will open at 8.50am and close at 9am this will allow lessons to start promptly at 9am following the register. At the end of the day we will open the gates and classroom doors between 3pm and 3.10pm.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend and make the most of the Spring weather.

Mrs Fenton and Mr Williams



PTFA Easter Egg Raffle

Raffle tickets will be on sale until the end of Wednesday next week for the annual PTFA Easter Egg Raffle. Children only can purchase tickets from their class teachers/teaching assistants. Tickets are 50p a strip and all money must be sent in an envelope.

The raffle will be drawn on the last day of term. This day will also be a non uniform day (sportswear please) in return for a small donation.



After School Clubs

After the Easter holidays a small selection of after school clubs will start up from week beginning 26th April. The timetable will be shared next week.

Indoors clubs will be open to 1 year group only. Outdoor clubs will be open to a Key Stage to ensure we adhere to Covid 19 guidance.

Places will be limited and we expect demand will be high therefore we will offer a block of 4 weeks in at least 1 club to as many children as possible until the Summer.



A beautiful life does not just happen, it is built daily by prayer, humility, sacrifice and hard work.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Reception

Oliver and Lucy

Year 1

Ada and Jenson

Year 2

Joshua and Rory

Year 3

Sophie and George P

Year 4

Isla K & Brodie

Year 5

Lewis and Erin

Year 6

Ava F and Keira O

Well done!

Star Writers

Our Star Writers have had their work displayed on the board in the hall - please check our Twitter feed to see their work.



This week in **Reception** We have had lots of smiles and giggles in class this week which has been lovely to see. The children have written their own ending to our class story of Hattie Peck. As the weather has been kind we have spent lots of time outside making potions, mud pies, riding bikes and we've even taken our Maths lesson outdoors.

Year 1 have been working hard on nouns and adjectives this week. They have also really impressed us with in maths by partitioning numbers to 20.

Year 2 have written some amazing 'Great Escape' stories this week linked to our class text 'Major Glad, Major Dizzy' These will be made into our very own mini books to share with our friends. We have also enjoyed learning some playground games that children in the past would have played. We think we will carry on playing these now in our playtimes.

We have had a busy week in **Year 3** this week.. **Year 3** have worked incredibly hard this week. They have used i-pads to research whales before writing paragraphs organised under sub-headings. We have enjoyed producing art work using watercolours and pens to create light and dark enhanced by various mark-making techniques. In Maths, we have been estimating and measuring lengths and solving problems by applying our learning.

Year 4 The children have worked hard all week and once again, they should be really pleased with themselves. This week they've all worked hard when thinking about the characters in our class story in English and whilst completing division questions in Maths. The children have also designed and created some colourful dream catchers in D&T. It has been a fun filled week for all!

Year 5 have enjoyed learning all about the moon landings in our English and topic lessons this week, they were very inquisitive which led to them gaining lots of information and facts to write about the event. Looking into our classroom would have been very interesting at the beginning of the week as we all wore our homemade space helmets and alien headwear as we produced our descriptions in preparation for our space fashion show!

Great week **Year 6**, we had a visit from Charles Darwin (who looked a lot like Ava), he confidently answered our questions about his journey to the Galapagos and gave us insights into his life. We have completed our visit to South America, where we have taken in the sights of the Atacama Desert, the Andes mountains and the glaciers of Patagonia and decided that we all wish to go there on holiday in the future, it might be a bit ambitious for a school trip!

Please ensure that your child has a healthy snack for morning break time fruit is ideal.

Water bottles should only contain water.

Sweets and chocolate are not allowed in packed lunches, children will be asked to take these home.

We will be setting up a parent group to help review the food in school policy if you are interested in being part of this group please email head.hale@halton.gov.uk



Hale Village 5 Mile Virtual Race

Next Thursday is our last day in school before we finish for the Easter break. It is a non uniform day to raise some funds for the PTFA and the children will all take part in a 1 mile walk/run or jog. They will then bring home their record sheet, stickers and medals to complete the rest of the virtual race.



Please remember we finish at 1.15pm on Thursday.