



Hinckley Parks Primary School

Opportunities

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Newsletter 18 - 19.01.2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has certainly been a cold and frosty week with temperatures falling as low as -8 degrees in some areas. This of course led to icy roads and has had us all scraping car windscreens, however thankfully we have not received any snow....yet! Forecasts for next week see temperatures rising significantly so we may escape having to deal with this for the time being—let's keep our fingers crossed.

This week has been very busy in school as we have had our annual Owls review which was led and conducted by the CEO of the Trust and an Ofsted registered inspector. Taking place over the course of two days, the review looked at all of the areas that an official inspection would take into account which includes Quality of Education, Behaviour and Attitudes, Personal Development and Leadership and Management with a separate focus on the EYFS department. It was an intense process and we are delighted with the feedback that we received in every area. The review team were extremely impressed with the school and with the standard of provision being offered to the children. They visited lessons in English, Maths, PE and DT, met with pupils and staff and scrutinised pupils books in all subject areas in order to reach their conclusions. Although there are no grades attached to the review as this was not an official inspection, leaders of the school were given a real insight into where the school is currently placed and crucially what we can do to improve further. The extremely positive feedback that was given is testament to the hard work and commitment that the staff and children put into the school every single day which of course we could not do without the continuous loyal support of the parents and the wider school community. We really do have a fantastic school here at Hinckley Parks and we are grateful to everyone who plays a part in making this happen.

Year 5 are getting very excited as they are preparing for their trip to London next week. This visit to the capital is a key feature of their work on Shakespeare's Richard III as they will visit the Tower of London and learn all about the story of the boys in the tower before embarking on a trip down the Thames, and then taking a sight-seeing tour of the city. It really is a great trip and we look forward to hearing all about it.

Finally, congratulations to Miss Brandrick who this week gave birth to a baby boy. Finlay arrived weighing in at 7lbs and 3 ounces. Both mother and son are doing well and we are very much looking forward to meeting the new arrival.

Have a great weekend.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr D Harding, Head Teacher

Diary Dates -Week Commencing Monday 22.01.24

<u>Monday</u>	After School Club: Didi Rugby Yr 1/2 • KS2 Choir • Yr 5/6 Multisports • Yr 5 Cookery Club
<u>Tuesday</u>	After School Clubs: Yr 3/4 Football • Fairytale Club • Yr's 2-6 Gymnastics Club
<u>Wednesday</u>	9.30am EYFS Nativity Performance • After School Clubs: Yr 1/2 Multisports • Yr 3/4 Multisports Mr Clafferty, • Yr 5/6 Football • KS2 Science Club
<u>Thursday</u>	Year 5 London Trip • 8am Yr 3/4 Hotshots Breakfast Club • After School Clubs: KS2 Drama Club • EYFS Football • Yr 5/6 Art Club
<u>Friday</u>	Lunchtime KS2 Hotshots • After School Clubs: Yr 1/2 Football • Yr 3/4 Multi-sports • Year 5/6 Multisports Mr Clafferty



Star Learner



Our Star Learner for this week is:

Jenson M (Yr 1)

Jenson has made fantastic progress with learning his phonic sounds this week. He has worked tremendously hard and this is really showing in his work.

Well done Jenson, we are all very proud of you!

Opportunities at Hinckley Parks **Science Club**



Legacy at Hinckley Parks **Active Sports Award**



PTA Meeting

The next PTA meeting is taking place on Monday of next week, 22nd January at 5.45pm. This meeting will take place at the school with the focus being on planning events for the Spring and Summer Terms. You will all be aware of how fantastic our PTA are and the vast amounts of money that they raise for the school. Recent projects funded by the PTA include the trim trail, the outdoor gym and the library developments. This year we are working on improving the school hall and the EYFS outdoor area. If you would like to get involved or find out more please come along to the meeting—the more the merrier. We look forward to seeing you there.

Basketball Area Finals

Good luck to our Basketball Team who will be taking part in the area finals next week following their success at local level recently. We know you will represent our school brilliantly and look forward to hearing of your achievements.

Weekly Award Assemblies

Each Friday we celebrate achievements in our weekly celebration assembly. This takes place fortnightly with this week being the turn of KS2. Congratulations to this week's winners :

EYFS— Madison H, Hattie C, Tommy T-W

Yr 1—Jenson M, Zaron G-M, Ava B

Yr 2—Wojciech P, Aadhi W, Laksh S

Yr 3—Zack E, Sam C-W, Amelia B

Yr 4—Nevil S, Samuel J, Lily N

Yr 5—Seb C-W, Tyler-Jai R

Yr 6—Scarlett B, Archie H, Max W

Active Sports Award

We are pleased to inform you that our school was selected by Hinckley & Bosworth Council to receive their annual 'Active School Award' in recognition of the high levels of participation in school sport events over the course of the last year and our approach to healthy eating and promoting healthy lifestyles. We are extremely proud of this achievement as PE and sport is very important to us and is a fundamental aspect of the provision offered to the children. As always we are now keen to further develop this in the future and are very much looking forward to celebrating further success in sporting events in the local area. Huge appreciation goes to Miss Cross who's tireless work in organising events and competitions has made this possible.

Sponsored Kindness Event

Thank you to all who participated in the Sponsored Kindness Event which took place throughout November. This was hugely successful with children keen to display their acts of kindness both in and out of school. We were proud to display photographs and messages regarding this in school and with all money now collected we can reveal that a total of £694 was raised! An incredible amount—we are so grateful to all who supported this.

Attendance and Punctuality

The national primary school attendance target figure is 96%. I hope you will support us in achieving this figure.

Hinckley Parks Primary School attendance figure for this week is:- 95%