

Himbleton Herald - Issue 2

SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The application process for school admissions for September 2020 is now open. The deadline for First and Middle schools is 15th January 2020. Please see <http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions> for further information.

SAFEGUARDING

The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Wallis and the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Hedges. Claire Johnston is our Safeguarding governor.

'OSCAR DAY'

Oscar is a 5 year old, brave little boy who should be at Pitmaston Primary School with his friends but instead has been courageously fighting T-cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia for the last 9 months. Unfortunately his recent stem cell transplant hasn't cured him and he urgently needs further treatment that the NHS are not able to fund. Both of these treatments are recommended by his consultants and are his only chance. Oscar's parents are pleading for help across the globe to save their child and need to raise £500,000 – a huge sum of money, to either fund a second transplant or enrol him on to CAR-T therapy in Singapore. The Grace Kelly Childhood Cancer Trust is supporting the family and schools have been invited to take part in 'Oscar Day' on Friday 11th October, where children are welcome to come to school in their own clothes for a donation of £1. Himbleton will be supporting this and wish Oscar and his family all the very best. In addition we will be holding a cake sale – please see a separate letter for further information.

PARENT VIEWS

I am looking forward to seeing as many parents as possible at the sessions either next Wednesday at 2.30pm or on Thursday 3rd October at 9am. I am keen to find out your current views about the school in an informal way so that we can use this to inform school development planning. There will be biscuits!

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Please ensure that all time preference slips are returned to school by Friday at the latest so that appointments can be allocated.

ALDI PROMOTION

Himbleton has signed up to Aldi Supermarket's Kit for Schools initiative in a bid to win a prize of £20,000 for the school, as well as sports it! If you shop in Aldi, for every £30 spent you will receive a football sticker. Please bring these into school and we will add them to the wall chart! Fingers crossed we can complete the chart and stand a chance of winning a prize – we are aiming for a minimum of 300 stickers and I'm sure we can get there! Further details can be found at <https://www.aldi.co.uk/kitforschools>

TEACHING AND LEARNING

Over the last week, I have been impressed by the attitude towards learning that has been shown by children in all classes. I have spent time looking in books and was pleased to see that the children have started the school year well by taking a pride in their work. Each week we will try to give you a snapshot of some of the learning that has been going on in each class, perhaps this could be used to prompt conversations about learning at home...

EYFS headed down to Church with Revd. Morris last Tuesday to be 'Church Detectives'. They found out about key parts of the building and had chance to explore! They also learned about the life cycle of a butterfly and created some super art work linked to this.

Key Stage One produced some brilliant narrative writing based on the book 'Rosie's Walk', focusing particularly on language choices to paint a picture for the reader. They also created some still life pictures of food that is grown on our farms using oil pastels.

Key Stage Two have been busy finding out all about the layers of the rainforest this week and creating an informative display in their classroom – do come along and have a look if you would like to!

OUR VALUE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Our value for this half-term is 'Friendship'.



BRITISH VALUES

This year we will continue to explore and promote British values such as democracy, rule of law, tolerance, respect and individual liberty with the children at Himbleton. We carefully design our curriculum to incorporate these in a variety of ways e.g. through PSHE, pupil voice, external visitors and visits, behaviour management approaches, RE and Worship. Please see the accompanying flier in mail bags for further information.

OPEN MORNING

Please do continue to spread the word about our Open Morning for prospective parents on Monday 14th October 9.30am to 11.30am. We have already had some phone calls confirming attendance and appreciate your support with this.

Nurture, Nature, Knowledge.

Enabling inquisitive thinkers and inspired learners with kind hearts.

Monday 23rd September 2019

Diary Dates

| This week at Himbleton CE First School and Nursery: | |
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| Monday 23 rd September | -Lego Maths Club (3-4pm) -Friends AGM in school (7.30pm – all welcome) |
| Tuesday 24 th September | -Mrs Kippax (Sports Coach) in all day – PE in all classes -Multi-Sports Club (3-4pm) -Defence Lab Club (3-4pm) -Full Governing Body Meeting (6.30pm) |
| Wednesday 25 th September | -Time Lock Photography in school – individual and sibling (non-school siblings from 8.30am) -Miss Clarke (Sports Coach) in all day –PE in classes -KS1 Forest School (PM) -Parent Meeting with Mrs Martin (2.30pm) -Choir (3-4pm) |
| Thursday 26 th September | -KS2 Forest School (PM) -Mad Science Club (PM) |
| Friday 27 th September | -Macmillan Coffee Morning in KS2 (9.10am – all welcome) – replacing Celebration Assembly for this week -KS2 Swimming (AM) -EYFS Forest School (PM) |
| Saturday 28 th September | |
| Sunday 29 th September | |

Further Ahead...

Wednesday 2nd October – Harvest Service in Church (2.15pm)

Thursday 3rd October - Parent Meeting with Mrs Martin (9am)

Sunday 6th October – Family Service at Church (11am)

Friday 11th October – Non-Uniform Day and Cake Sale for Oscar Saxelby-Lee

Monday 14th October – Open Morning for Prospective Parents (9.30am); Parent Consultation Evening (until 5.30pm)

Tuesday 15th October – Parent Consultation Evening (until 7.30pm)

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