## **Hazelbury Primary School**

# Latest News Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October



As we reach the end of our first half term of this academic year, I want to take a moment to reflect on all the wonderful accomplishments and activities that have taken place. The children are settling into their new routines and have enjoyed the experiences provided so far. Pupils are demonstrating resilience, creativity within their home learning and it is pleasing to hear the questions they are posing about the world around them. This illustrates engagement in their learning and we thank you for your support with this.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the parent consultations this week. Your participation within these meetings is valued and we thank you for your commitment to your child/ren's learning. If you have not already, please can you sign the Home School Agreement which was emailed to parents.

As we look forward to the next half-term, let's celebrate the achievements of our children and recharge during the break. I wish you all a restful break. Please ensure you stay updated with your messages on Arbor so you do not miss important messages.

Kathleen Cushnie, Interim Headteacher

## **Arbor Updates**

#### **School Lunches**

A reminder about meal selections, from Monday 30th October, if you have not pre-ordered your child's lunch by 8am each morning your child will receive a jacket potato with baked beans. Guidance can be found on the school website as you do have the ability to pre-order and set your meal selections.

#### **Extended Services**

From Wednesday 1st November, please note that payments for Breakfast and After School club will now be on Arbor. Bookings detailing your child's selected days can be viewed on the app.

## **Keeping Children Safe**

As we approach the winter, the days become shorter and the evenings darker. Keep safe while out and about with family and friends, enjoying the upcoming seasonal activities.

Please note that **all pupils** will need to be collected from their extra-curricular clubs after the half-term.

Online Safety: Many pupils will be spending extra time on devices this half term. Parents, please ensure you monitor your child's online activity and know who they are engaging with online.

For further information on keeping your child safe online, please visit the NSPCC website by clicking the link below. <a href="https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/">https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/</a>

## **Enriched Experiences**

We have a commitment to ensuring that all children during their time at Hazelbury develop their knowledge and understanding through enriched experiences. This half-term pupils have visited a range of workshops or been visited by a range of people which has helped to deepen their understanding. These include, The Houses of Parliament visit by some of our Year 6 MP candidates, which supported their understanding of how decisions are made. A Space Exploration workshop for Year 2 children who learnt about the history of space exploration and explored human's obsession with the stars. A visit from Hobgoblin Theatre, which gave Year 4 pupils the opportunity to blend action with thoughtful discussions around life during the Ancient Egyptian times as well as other trips and visits across the school.

Author Banji Alexander will be visiting us on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October, parents can still pre-order a book before his visit. He will be signing the books after school. Please visit the school shop on Arbor to order a copy of his book 'Lockdown Looms: Reggie's Birthday Party'.

This week our pupils participated in our annual Hazelbury Parliament Polling Day and elected their MPs and class councillors who will lead in representing their pupil voice.







## **Early Years**

We are extremely proud of how the children have been settling into nursery and their reception classes. We understand that the transition into nursery/school can be a significant milestone for both children and parents, and we appreciate your continued support with this. Please continue to communicate via Tapestry.









## Where Can You Find Us?

If you would like to keep up to date with what is happening within school then you can find us using the sites and website below. We post regularly on social media so be sure to follow us to see what your child is up to!



Instagram Username: hazelbury\_school



Twitter Username: hazelburysch



School Website:

www.hazelbury-primary-school.co.uk