

# Weekly Update

Friday 20th November

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to thank all the children for helping to adhere to our new systems and processes and keeping everyone safe. They really are GREAT! This week I have been wowed by the amazing learning going on throughout the school. Below are just a few snaps of some of the activities happening recently.

Have a lovely weekend.

Keep safe,

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Richard Ferris Headteacher



# Anti-Bullying Poster Competition

The deadline for entries for the Anti-Bullying poster competition was set for today but we have extended it over the weekend for any last-minute entries.

All entries must be handed in by the end of school on Monday – full information is in the <u>Anti-Bullying Week letter</u> on the website.

# Missing RWI Books – Please Help

We are missing a large number of our Read, Write, Inc. reading books from school. If you have any of these at home, please return them to school as soon as possible.

# **Attendance Stars**

Classes with the highest attendance this week:

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Hawks (99.2%) 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Foxes (99%) 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Lions (98.4%)



#### **Google Classroom**

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for Google Classroom. If you have not yet done so, to avoid missing important communications and home learning opportunities for your child, please fill out the access consent form using this link: <u>Google</u> <u>Classroom Access Consent</u>

## **PE Kit Update**

Mr Roberts would like to remind you that we are continuing to do PE outside as much as the weather will allow.

As the weather is colder, the children are able to wear a plain, dark tracksuit in addition to their normal PE kit and they can also wear gloves if they would like to. Please make sure all items are clearly named.

## **FRoGS News**

You will soon be receiving an update from our PTA, the FRoGS (Friends of Great Hollands School) about their Christmas events. Please support them as much as you are able to, these events are GREAT for our school and the monies raised benefits each and every one of our pupils!

# **Covid-19 Updates**

Unfortunately we have had reports that some of our parents are walking to and from school in groups, without observing the social distancing guidance. Please remember that you should only be walking to school with those in your household or support bubble.

The national restrictions are in place and remain so until 2 December. This means that you must:

- Stay at home, except for specific purposes including work and volunteering, education and childcare, medical reasons and shopping for essential items.
- Avoid meeting people you do not live with, except for specific purposes.

Full up-to-date guidance on the restrictions that are currently in place are on the government website at: <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/new-national-restrictions-from-5-november</u>

In addition, please remember that if you, your child or anyone else in your household have symptoms of COVID-19 you must:

- Not come in to school
- Get tested immediately
- Everyone in your household must stay at home.

Tests can be arranged via the following link: <u>https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/</u>

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NATIONAL COVID ALERT	
STAY HOME	
<b>5 NOV – 2 DEC</b> Only leave home for food, medical reasons, exercise, education or we	ork
You must work from home if you can	
Avoid travel unless essential	
Schools and essential shops will remain open	
Remember: wash hands, cover face, make space	
Find the latest guidance and exemptions at gov.uk/coronavirus	STAY ALERT > CONTROL THE VIRUS > SAVE LIVES



# **Upcoming Library Events**

Young readers can join in the Winter Reading Mini Challenge. It's a smaller version of the Summer Challenge, with a virtual badge to unlock, a certificate to be awarded with and lots of activities and books to enjoy! The challenge starts on **Tuesday 1 December 2020** and ends on **Friday 15 January 2021** and it is completely virtual and free.

# Everyone is a hero

This year theme is 'Everyone is a hero', in partnership with *Knights Of* -children's publishers. The aim is to champion a diversity of perspectives across children's books and encourage everyone to nominate their own personal reading heroes – whether it's a librarian, a teacher, a family member, a carer or a friend! Find out about nominating your Reading Hero on the Winter Reading Challenge website - <u>www.wintermini.org.uk</u>

# Get involved

To take part you need just to:

Sign in - visit the Reading Challenge website from Tues 1st December 2020 to sign in or register.

- Read 3 books (audiobooks and e-books count too!)
- Review your books leave a review of your books on the Winter Reading Challenge website.
- Rating and reviewing 3 books online will unlock a virtual badge and a special certificate to print off and keep!

# Getting your books

- You can read anything you like: from books you have at home to the ones you can take on loan from your school library.
- You can reserve books from the library for free as well and collect them in any of the open libraries.
- There are lots of free children's e-books and e-audio books on BorrowBox. https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/libraries/e-books-and-e-audio



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