



## Newsletter 5 - Friday 10th November 2023

.....



### **Anti-Bullying Week - Odd Socks Day**

Odd Socks Day 2023 will take place on Monday 13th November. Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti-Bullying week. All you need to do is wear odd socks! It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique.

.....

### **Morning break snacks: Fruity Fortnight**



We have now come to the end of our two-week project to raise the profile of 'pickable' fruit and vegetable snacks at morning breaktime. There has been a fantastic increase in the amount being brought in and eaten. We have seen children enjoying avocados, mango, kale and coconut this week!

For our whole school competition, we can reveal that the class who brought the most pickable snacks was... 5J. Congratulations to them: the class will receive a pickable fruit hamper next week for the class to share!

We are continuing to request that the children only bring pickable fruit and vegetables for their morning snack in future. Please save cereal bars, fruit winders, fridge raiders etc. for the lunchbox in our pledge to give children a healthy energy boost mid-morning.

.....



### **Champions**

The Year 4 football team performed brilliantly on Monday to win an inter-school football competition against five other local schools. The competition was organised by St Andrews school and New Haw lifted the trophy after winning four out of their five matches, drawing the other. It was particularly pleasing to lift the trophy as New Haw's team was the only school to have a mixed team of girls and boys. There were some outstanding performances and brilliant goals.

Everyone in the nine-player squad really played their part and behaved really well. New Haw only conceded one goal in all five of our matches. New Haw get to keep the trophy for the next year and it will be engraved with our name on. Hopefully, we can retain it next year!



### **Dr Ben Spencer MP - Christmas card competition**

I am pleased to have launched this year's constituency Christmas card competition for primary school aged children within Runnymede and Weybridge. The competition runs from now until Friday 24th November. The winning design will be printed on my official Christmas card, which will be sent to other MPs (including the Prime Minister!) and lots of people across the Runnymede and Weybridge constituency.

The full details, including how to enter, are available here:

[www.drben Spencer.org.uk/news/runnymede-and-weybridge-mp-launches-2023-christmas-card-competition](http://www.drben Spencer.org.uk/news/runnymede-and-weybridge-mp-launches-2023-christmas-card-competition)

Each entry will receive a certificate as thank you for taking part, and a selection of entries will also appear on my website.



### **Children in Need**

Reminder that we will be celebrating Children in Need next **Friday 17th November**. Children are welcome to come to school in mufti with a spotty theme in exchange for a donation to Children in Need.



### **Year 5 - Space Dome**

Year 5 had an amazing experience earlier this week when the Space Dome arrived at New Haw. The first question was:

How many stars in the solar system?

At first, we started talking about billions and trillions and then the presenters stressed the words, 'solar system' and then we realised it was only 1!

We revisited and learnt so much information. Some of the most interesting points are here below.

- Stars are made of gas.
- Explosions on the sun cause the Northern lights
- Earth is a million times smaller than the sun.
- Planets orbit around their star.
- Venus is the hottest planet in our solar system as it traps the heat and it rains acid!
- It takes 365.25 days to go around the sun.
- Every 4 years there is a leap year because of the 0.25 days.
- We saw the surface of Mars via some real-life photos.
- In our lifetime we will likely see people walk and explore Mars!
- Jupiter is a gas giant and we learnt more about one of its 7 moons, Europa. Europa is made of ice. Where there's water, there could be life! So, in the next decade, we could discover aliens in its water!

- Saturn's beautiful rings made of gas may have once been its moon.
- Uranus also has a cartwheeling ring.

We also spoke about the dwarf planets e.g. Pluto which is quite brown and red in colour.

Maccy Maccy is another dwarf planet mentioned.

Did you know that there are 400 billion solar systems suspected in the universe?

We finished our session asking whether aliens are real? The answer is that we don't know...yet!

We also saw the stars and worked out the constellations and learnt what the ancient Greeks named them.

It was such an extraordinary experience and now, when we look up at the stars, we are all going to try and find the North Star which doesn't move - so it could help us if we ever need a compass. It is located directly above the North Pole. Why don't you see if you can spot it?



### Golden Futures

At New Haw we are incredibly lucky to have people from all different career paths come in and share their expertise on their career path and its requirements. Today we met Doctor Ramon, a veterinarian, who explained to us his love and passion of viruses and bacteria relating to pets and animals. He explained to us about his job at the Animal and Plant Health Agency and their important task in studying microbes, which includes but is not limited to bacteria and viruses. He showed us what an anti-microbe/Antibiotic Immunisation (AMI) is and how vaccines work. Doctor Ramon went to Cambridge University and received 2 PHD's in order to do his job. It's obvious that it takes lots of work to become a vet and bacteria expert! We thoroughly enjoyed having him visit us and learnt so much from him. We can't wait to find out who will be next!

Max Holder and Archie Hadjicostas, 6G



## Y6 Lincolnsfield



On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November, the year 6's went on a very exciting trip to 'The Forties Experience' in Lincolnsfield. We dressed up as a person from the WW2 time period and all looked amazing. During our trip, we took part in several fun activities and even got the chance to look at some historical artefacts from the time. Extremely friendly volunteers showed us around and taught us new facts about World War Two, making our trip special and enjoyable. They even let us experience what it would have been like to be in a real shelter! Year 6 enjoyed their trip very much.

Saxin McNab, 6S



Reminder please, there are still a significant number of children coming to school with no coat. Please can all children come to school every day with a warm coat. Thank you.

### Parents in Partnership

Thank you so much to everyone who has stepped forward and volunteered to be a class PIP. We are still looking for a representative or 2 for 6G and 6M. If you feel this is something you could do please get in touch with Gail Gentile in the school office.

If you have any spare carrier bags, please send them to reception, we would be very grateful!



### School Diary

w/c 13th November	Odd Sock Day & Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 14th November	PIPs meeting 8:45am

Wednesday 15th November	PTA Bag2School collection
Thursday 16th November	Y5 Living Rainforest trip
Friday 17th November	Children in Need mufti. * <i>Donation via SCOPAY</i>
	Show & Share 3:25pm - 4pm
Tuesday 21st November	6G Kingston Synagogue
Wednesday 22nd November	6S Kingston Synagogue
Thursday 23rd November	6M Kingston Synagogue
	5C Class assembly
Friday 24th November	Mufti day in return for Xmas Fayre donations Yrs 3 & 4 chocolate tombola donations Yrs 5 & 6 bottle donations (alcohol & soft drinks only)
Thursday 30th November	Christmas Fayre 4:30pm - 6:30pm - <i>SAVE THE DATE!</i>
Friday 1st December	INSET DAY - school closed
Thursday 7th December	5J Class assembly
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas lunch
	Christmas jumper day * <i>School uniform with optional Christmas jumper or Christmas headwear, hat, reindeer horns etc.</i>
Thursday 14th December	Year 4 Christmas assembly 09:30am
Friday 15th December	Year 4 Christmas assembly 09:30am
	End of term - school finishes at 1:30pm
Tuesday 2nd January	School resumes

**PHOTOS**

