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School Value of the Week

What Great Looks Like at New Haw... Best Efforts!

This week, we have continued to focus on Kind Words, Kind Actions and Kind Voices, encouraging everyone to show respect and consideration towards those around them. We have been reminding the children that even the smallest acts of kindness can make a big difference in creating a happy, positive and respectful school environment.



House Points Update

There's been a shuffle on our House Points leaderboard this week, with the Green Dragons jumping into second place! Hundreds of points are being earned every week, showing fantastic effort, enthusiasm and teamwork across all four houses. Keep up the brilliant work, everyone!

Green Dragons	Yellow Phoenixes	Red Griffins	Blue Hippogriffs
1,833	1,720	1,908	1,932

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Curriculum Highlights

A Wild Adventure at the Living Rainforest!

Year 5 enjoyed an exciting trip to The Living Rainforest this week! The children had a fantastic time exploring the tropical rainforest and discovering more about the amazing animals that call it home. They learnt from the experts about how these fascinating creatures survive in the wild and the incredible adaptations that help them thrive in their rainforest habitat.

Of course, the highlight of the day was searching for the sloth! A firm favourite with everyone, which certainly brought plenty of smiles to the children's faces.

A wonderful day of discovery, learning and rainforest adventures!

Year 4 Travel Back in Time to Roman Britain!

This week, Year 4 stepped back in time with an exciting visit to the Roman Palace at Fishbourne!

The children had a fantastic day exploring the beautiful Roman ruins, playing mosaic bingo as they wandered through the palace and enjoying a leisurely stroll around the stunning gardens. They also put their detective skills to the test with activity sheets, searching the museum for clues and discovering fascinating facts about Roman life.

The fun continued with a hands-on workshop where the children had the opportunity to try their hand at Latin writing using ink, create their own mosaics, play Roman games and even have a go at drawing on a wax slate.

There was plenty of history, creativity and fun along the way, but the highlight of the day was definitely getting dressed up in a Roman toga!

A wonderful day of learning, exploring and making memories – well done, Year 4!

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Important Updates

Term Dates Notice

We are aware that some parents have queried why our school term dates do not align with those published by Surrey County Council.

As an academy, we are able to set our own term dates and have chosen to align with our secondary feeder school and other local academy schools.

We also feel that having a two-week half-term break in the autumn term offers several benefits. It provides parents and carers with greater flexibility to take less costly family holidays without children missing valuable learning time. It also acts as a useful 'firebreak' for sickness absence, particularly at a time of year when we often see high levels of illness among both pupils and staff.

Vacancies

Please click here to see our current vacancies.

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School Fun!

Cut Your Carbon – Four-Week Challenge!

We are taking part in the Cut Your Carbon initiative, with a series of mini challenges for the children to complete over the next four weeks. The challenges are available for children to access on Google Classroom, and we are encouraging everyone to get involved and complete as many as they can!

Every small action can make a difference, and we are excited to see how much carbon we can save together. At the end of the four weeks, we will discover how many kilograms of carbon we have saved as a whole school.

Good luck, everyone – let's see what a difference we can make!



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Parent Power!

Shoeboxes Full of Smiles!

We're excited to share that our school is taking part in Operation Christmas Child this year — a wonderful initiative started by Samaritan's Purse and supported by our friends at Heathervale Church.

Every year, gift-filled shoeboxes are sent to children in need around the world and now we have the chance to be part of this special mission! This week we were joined by Heathervale Church for a school assembly to tell the children more about this and how we can get involved.

Boxes can be made individually, with friends, or you can take part in a class box. It's completely optional, just for those who would like to take part.

Please deliver any complete boxes to the School Reception by Tuesday 24th November.

For the list of appropriate items, please click on the link:

https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/how-to-pack-a-shoebox

National Collection Week is 9-16th November

Message from the Parent-Teacher Association

🎟 CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS

If you would like to purchase tickets, simply complete your details on the ticket stub, tear it off and return it to school in the envelope provided, along with your cash payment.

Don't forget to keep your actual raffle ticket safe at home!

All envelopes must be returned to the school office by Wednesday 2nd December.

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🙌 CAN YOU SPARE JUST 30 MINUTES?

Our amazing fairs simply couldn't happen without the support of our wonderful parent volunteers.

We know everyone is busy, but if every family could spare just 30 minutes to help on a stall, it would make such a difference and mean the same parents aren't left doing all the hard work throughout the evening!

If we want to make this a really fun event for our children, we need everyone to muck in. Please add your name next to a stall using the link here.



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Cakes and Bakes Wanted

Can you help us fill our cake table at the **Broadway Lights event on Saturday 21st November**? We would be very grateful for donations of cakes and sweet treats to sell at our stall.

Donations can be brought directly to our stall from **3pm.** Home-baked or shop-bought goodies are all very welcome! Please remember to include an ingredients list with any homemade treats.

Thank you for helping us make our bake sale a success!

Excellent Donations

Thank you so much for all of your generous donations today towards the Christmas Fair tombola stalls. We couldn't do this without your support!

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Uniform

In need of some pre-loved items? Simply email newhawuniform@gmail.com with the items you need and the required sizes. The mailbox is monitored each week, and the PTA will get back to you with available options.

Reminders

Planning Ahead

20th Nov - School Closed - INSET Day

23rd Nov - Year 4 Netball tournament

Don't Miss a Date!

Access the parent school calendar here:
New Haw Community School - Calendar

If you hit the 'Subscribe' button on the page, it will sync the dates to your device's calendar!