

HILTINGBURY HIGHLIGHTS

Issue 07
20th October 2023

Headteacher's message

Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to take a moment to express our gratitude for the positive feedback that you have shared with our dedicated staff over the half term, including during our Parents Evening. Your encouragement is much appreciated by all staff. Our staff team have worked incredibly hard to create engaging learning experiences and provide support to meet the needs of all children. They are all very much looking forward to the half term and the excitement that Autumn 2 holds for each year group.

A huge well done to our football team who took on the challenge of playing against The Crescent School. Everyone who took part showed fantastic teamwork and were triumphant in our first win of the season. Mr Cross was very impressed and is looking forward to the next match!

We appreciate setting up Parent groups online is a supportive way of keeping up to date with school life. I kindly ask that everyone extends the same respect and courtesy with our staff as you do in person. Your understanding and cooperation contribute significantly to the positive atmosphere we aim to foster. The intent and vision for our school blog was to share an insight during the week with your children's achievements and experiences. We hope that you have been enjoying these posts as much as we have in sharing the memorable moments in school. It has also been a great way to share the building project developments with the community and this weekend sees another busy weekend on site with the arrival of more panels. The second phase of the project starts on the 4th December and we will share nearer the time the changes in school in preparation for this.

On Monday 30th October, as a staff team, we will be continuing to develop our new curriculum with a focus on new enquiry questions which will drive each project and the concepts that will be covered within and across projects. We look forward to seeing the children back to school on Tuesday 31st October wearing either their spooky costumes or non uniform.

We hope you all have a fantastic half term break.



Dates for your diary

Reminder INSET day
Monday 30th October

31st October HSPTA -
Spooky Non-uniform day
online donations /
Deadline for Year 7
applications

1st November - Year 3
applications Septerm
2024 open

2nd November HSPTA
meeting 7.30pm

Weekly Year group highlights



Year 3

[Link to our Weekly Highlights & Gallery](#)

Year 4

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Year 5

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Year 6

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Highlight Wellbeing



This term I would like to add a section to Highlight Wellbeing to give parents and children the opportunity to get to know school staff a little better. Each week a different member of staff will have their answers to the same 3 questions featured. - Thank you to Mrs Oldham for your answers this week:

Mrs Oldham has worked at HJS for 10 years as a teacher.



1. What do you do to unwind and support your wellbeing?

Playing with my daughters and reading them stories, gaming (Mario Kart is very therapeutic!), time in the New Forest and if I'm lucky, sleeping

2. Please share a favourite piece of life advice which has made a difference to you:

Dr Seuss - Be who you are - those who mind, don't matter, and those that matter don't mind.

3. What do you most enjoy about your job?

The hilarious comments from the children and the camaraderie with my work friends

Half term at Chandler's Ford Library

Storytime

Monday 10.30am

Rhymetime

Tues + Thurs 10.30am

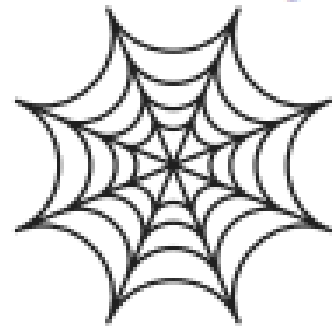


Oscar's Story Event

Monday 2.30-3pm

Cards for Kindness

All Week



Spooky Trail

All Week

Construction Club

All Week

Spooky Craft

All Week

