



# Himbleton Herald

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Nature, Nurture, Knowledge; Enabling inquisitive thinkers and inspired learners with kind hearts.



## After School Clubs

A wide range of extra-curricular clubs started this week for children from Reception to Year 6. From books and crafts to Fencing, and from Imagineering to Dance, children thoroughly enjoyed taking part in both familiar and new activities. Clubs will run up to half term, with the opportunity for parents and carers to book new clubs for their child as we head towards the half term holiday.



### Collective Worship

In our collective worship this week, the children learnt about David and Goliath and how the story shows us that we can stand up to our problems, no matter how big they may seem.

As David said in the story: "Goliath is big, but God is bigger!"



## Moments Matter, Attendance Counts

Our whole school attendance this week was 94.6% and our attendance to date is 87%. This week, Reception had the highest attendance with 89%.



## Calling All Local Businesses!

We have been working hard over the past year to gather ideas and gain quotations in order to plan an exciting new adventure play area which will include climbing equipment, a funky see-saw, an amphitheatre stage for performing, a balance trail and a buddy bench for quieter activities. We are now close to achieving our goal of securing funding for Phase 1, however we are looking to raise £4500 so that our project can go ahead this spring. If you know of any local businesses that might be interested in contributing towards this new equipment, please let us know.

## Celebrating Differences

As part of their PHSE work, EYFS have been using the parachute to identify similarities and differences in their families.



## Celebrations

Very many congratulations to Pippa, Alfie, Albus and Pippa for outstanding work certificates this week and to Kara, Max, Atticus and Annabel for Gold Awards for living our Christian values. In addition, well done to Charlie, Archie, Knox and Winnie for showing off their achievements from home. We are very proud of you all.



## Wake up Wednesday

This week's Wake up Wednesday explored the very important topic of TikTok. This has been shared with you on Class Dojo.



## Housepoints

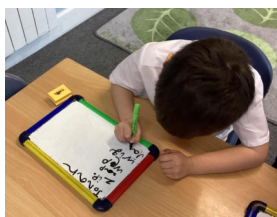
Congratulations to Elm who once again won this week's House Cup with 540 points.

## New Starters

This term we have welcomed a number of new children to our Himbleton family; Harry, Max, Maya in Nursery and Isaac and Micah in LKS2. have all settled in beautifully we are enjoying getting to know them.

## KS1 Super Spellers

This week, children in KS1 have worked very



hard to improve their spelling accuracy. Through games and COOL time challenges, everyone has been practicing the spellings that they find

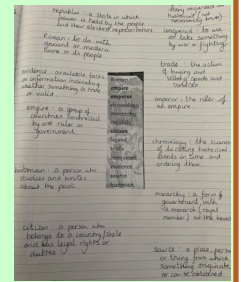


## Welcome Miss Green

This week, we have been delighted to welcome Miss Bronwen Green who has joined us in KS1 to undertake her final teaching placement before she qualifies as a teacher in the summer.

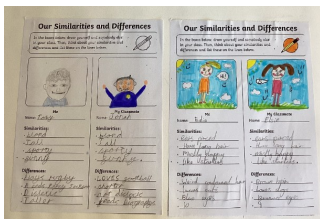
## Impactful Invaders in LKS2

LKS2 have started to explore their new unit of enquiry, The Impactful Invaders. Starting with what they already knew, the children came up with lots of questions for things they would love to find out!



## All The Same, All Different!

In PSHE this week, UKS2 have been looking at the importance of respecting others, even when others are very different to them. To start, the class sorted themselves according to a given category, e.g. age, gender, eye-colour or meal choices. The children understand that it is nice to share similarities, but it is their differences that make them truly unique and special.



## Lockdown and Critical Incident Practice

In the same way that schools have a legal duty to ensure that children know what to do in the event of a fire, they also need to ensure that children know what to do in a critical incident situation. We will be practicing this next Friday, talking to children about how sometimes it is safer to be inside than outside when there is an emergency, for example if there was a wild dog running round the playground or a gas leak.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Shaw via the school office.

## Dates for Your Diary

- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January - SATS meeting for Year 2 parents and carers - 3.30pm
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January - SATS meeting for Year 6 parents and carers - 4.00pm
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February - Year 1 Phonics' meeting - 3.30-4.00pm
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February - Y4 Multiplication check meeting - 4.00-4.30pm
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February - NSPCC Number Day
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February - Safer Internet Day



## Parking Restrictions

A reminder that new parking restrictions will be in place in due course which will affect where parents and carers can park at the beginning and end of the day. We politely ask that parents and carers use the Cricket Club car park as much as possible and that double yellow lines remain clear for disabled blue badge holders. Thank you.



## Friends of Himbleton

The Friends of Himbleton met on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January and discussed forthcoming fundraising events. The minutes of the meeting will be available on the school website on the Friends page.

