



# Himbleton Herald

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## A Sprinkle of Kindness, A Smidgeon of Respect ...

During their Forest school session this week, the children spent time reflecting on what makes a good friend to them, reinforcing

and strengthening the importance of this half term's Christian Value, friendship. Everyone enjoyed making friendship potions which could



have included a sprinkle of kindness, a pinch of encouragement, a smidgeon of respect, a drop of support and many more qualities they would want in a friend. They mixed them all together and then made a wish. Whilst the children had lots of fun with their potions, they also demonstrated a clear understanding of friendship in a mature and thoughtful way.



This week we welcomed Reverend Richard Sandland to school who lead a thought-provoking collective worship around discrimination. Exploring the actions of Martin Luther-King and Rosa Parks, the children reflected on acts of injustice and how our world has changed.



Next Friday, 19th September, we will be holding our Macmillan Coffee Morning in our Upper Key Stage 2 classroom. We would very much welcome the donation of cakes (nut free please) and hope that you will be able to join us for a cup of coffee and a slice of cake—all in aid of a good cause!

## Welcome Reverend Rich



Any donations of cakes should be brought to school on Thursday evening or Friday morning. Thank you in advance of your support.

## Collective Worship

In our collective worship this week, we learnt about Jesus' special friends which he called his apostles or disciples. We considered how we don't have to be the same as other people to be friends with them, just like Jesus and his friends!



## Moments Matter, Attendance Counts

Our whole school attendance this week was 98.8% and to date is 98.5%. Congratulations to Reception who had the highest attendance with a wonderful 100%.



## Celebrations and Achievements

Very many congratulations to Alfie, Lawson, Charlie and Mason for being awarded outstanding work certificates this week and to Sevi, Oscar, Dylan and Harry for being awarded certificates for consistently showing our Christian Values. In addition, well done to Max, Emma, Kenneth, Annabelle and Elodie for showing off their achievements from home and to Mason for being awarded his pen license. This week, Elm were the winners of the house cup with 568 points. Well done, we are very proud of you all!



## Wake up Wednesday

This week's Wake up Wednesday explored the topic of Recognising and Managing Stress. This has been shared with you on Class Dojo.

## What Parents & Educators Need to Know about CONSPIRACY THEORIES



### Friends of Himbleton

On Wednesday, the Friends of Himbleton held their annual AGM. Thank you to everyone who attended. During the meeting, there were some important key dates set which you may like to put in your diaries:

**Friday 5th December—Christmas Fayre**

**Saturday 27th June—Summer Fete**

Many other events and fundraising opportunities will take place over the course of the year and, as ever, help to run these would be very welcome and much appreciated.

## Communication is the Name of the Game in UKS2

During their PE lessons this week, children in UKS2 engaged in outdoor and adventure activities that focused on developing key teamwork and problem-solving skills. The games required them to communicate effectively, discuss and plan strategies, place trust in one another and reflect on the success of their approach to make improvements. Well done, UKS2!



## Violin Lessons

There is an opportunity for a beginners group to learn to play the violin after half term. This is open to children in Year 3 and above. We will need a minimum of 4 children; please contact Mrs Stewart for more information.

## Planned Absences

We politely ask that, if you need to take your child out of school for a planned absence, you complete a planned absence form available on the website or from the school office. This includes absences for medical appointments. Thank you.

## Fruity Fun in EYFS

The children in Early Years have had a wonderful first full week. As part of their Design and Technology lesson and unit of enquiry, 'Fantastic Food', the children learnt how to chop and prepare fruit to make their very own fruit salad. They explored textures, colours and smells and talked about their favourite food whilst developing their fine motor skills.



## Who Will Help me Bake my Bread?

Children in Key Stage 1 have been busy exploring their key text, The Little Red Hen, and enjoyed getting into character to act out the story this week. Using props and masks, the children took on the key roles and enjoyed working with their friends to re-tell the story.



## Dates for Your Diary

**Tuesday 16th September**—Meet the Teacher meetings—3.30pm & 4.00pm

**Friday 19th September**—Macmillan Coffee Morning—9.30am—all welcome

**Sunday 21st September**— WMTc rehearsal— 1.00pm-3.00pm

**Monday 22nd September**—Clubs start this week

**Tuesday 23rd September**—Individual Provision Map (IPM) meetings with parents

**Wednesday 24th September**—Aspens' Catering taster session (end of the school day)



## Meet the TEACHER

We are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers to our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions next week. Please feel free to drop in to either session and have a chat with your child's class teacher about the year ahead. Thank you.



## Lost Uniform

Unfortunately, we already have many items of lost property that do not appear to have a name on them. We would love to return these to their owners but are unable to do so!

Please can you check that your child's uniform is clearly labelled and speak to your child's class teacher if you have any missing items.

