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# **Vocabulary Building**

In Reception, the children have consolidated their use of vocabulary for mass, talking about what is heavier and lighter or the same. The children made predictions about what the heavier object would before using the scales to find out.



# **The Human Body**

In Science, Year 3 children have been learning about our bodies and in particular our skeletons. The children were able to explain why we needed bones in our bodies: protection, support and movement. They then investigated to proportions in our bodies and found that our wing span was the same length as our height!











# **Keeping Fit & Healthy**

In Year 5, children have been working on their flexibility and health related fitness. The children enjoyed moving through different activity stations and demonstrated their flexibility.



#### **Number Bonds**

In recent lessons, our Year 2 children have been building on their knowledge of Number Bonds to 10 to make number bonds to 100: if 7 + 3 = 10 then 70 + 30 = 100.



## **Fairtrade**

In Geography, children in Year 6 have been learning about Fairtrade and its benefits. The children took part in a roleplay to understand how the banana trade works and what fraction of the price of a banana each part of the process receives. The children were shocked to find that the banana planation workers only received 0.5p of the cost of a banana. This unit of work has had our children debating using facts and statistics and are making better informed decisions when purchasing items.



#### What is Fairtrade?

Small-scale farmers and producers in the developing world often bear the costs and risks of trade, while global companies make the profits. Fairtrade products such as tea, cocoa, bananas and thousands of other top-quality goods have been bought by companies for sustainable prices.

Fairtrade ensures the world's poorest growers and producers are able to earn a decent living and earn a premium they can put back into their communities.

#### **Fairtrade Facts**

- More than 1.65 million farmers and workers in 74 countries now get a better deal from Fairtrade.
- One in every three bananas sold in the UK is Fairtrade.









# **Periscope**

In their Science learning on light, our Year 6 children have been learning about reflection and refraction. To consolidate their learning, the children were tasked with making their own periscopes. They had to check they had the mirrors at the correct angle to make sure the light reflected the image correctly. The children then tested their periscopes to see if they could see around corners!





## **Place Value**

Our Year 2 children have been adding and subtracting across multiples of ten using a place value chart and base ten or a number line.



# **Keeping Fit**

In Reception PE lessons, the children have been using a variety of outdoor equipment. The children have been exploring different PE balls; learning which bounce higher depending on their shape and size. The children have been using their gross motor skills to practice throwing and catching.











# Reading Comprehension Workshop – Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup>

Join us on Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 9am or 6pm for an informative Reading Comprehension session. In this session you will learn the skills and strategies for comprehension as taught at Hyde Park Schools that you can use at home to support your child or children.

Without comprehension, children gain no meaning from what they read. Comprehension strategies are used to increase children's understanding of the text to help them become active readers by engaging with the text.

We look forward to seeing you for an informative session.

## **Non-Pupil Day**

Please be reminded note that there has been an **added non-pupil day for the 31**<sup>st</sup> **of October**. In light of this, children will return to school after the half term break on the **1**<sup>st</sup> **of November**. Additionally, the crazy hat day that was scheduled for the 31<sup>st</sup> will be on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November.

# Black History Month - October

Black History Month is the annual celebration and commemoration of moments in history, achievements and contributions that Black people have made. First brought to the UK in the 1980s, Black History Month was initially introduced to the country by a member of the Greater London Council, Akyaaba Addai Sebo. Since 1987, Black History Month has been celebrated annually in the UK, to eradicate discrimination and encourage racial equality. At Hyde Park Schools, we will be honouring the contributions made to society by people of Back heritage and their communities. On Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, we will host a special celebration assembly to commemorate Black History Month.

# **Reporting Absences**

It is important to contact the School Office each morning before 9:15am if your child is absent from school. If your child has an appointment with the general practice (GP), dentist, or hospital, please bring in evidence to keep on your child's record. All absences will be recorded as unauthorised unless evidence is provided. Thank you for your support.

# Free School Meal - Application Process

Free School Meals is a statutory means-tested benefit, which provides a child with meals at school for free. If you believe you may be entitled to your child receiving free school meals, please contact the School office. The member of staff on reception will also be able to advise you on the process for claiming free school meals. Please note that this benefit must be reapplied for each year.

#### **Personal Details**

Please ensure you provide the School Office with your most recent and up-to-date details including, changes to address, telephone numbers or email contact. Please also provide the School Office with your child's up-to-date medication, including inhalers, spacers and EPIPENS. It is especially important that in the event of an emergency we can contact you if your child is unwell. Thank you.

## **Available Support Services**

Maintaining good mental health is crucial to overall wellbeing. Fortunately, there are many support services available for children and young people.

SSS Learning has produced a free resource designed to offer advice on how families can safeguard their children's mental health and promote their wellbeing. For 10 top tips on practical ways to positively promote your child's mental health, please visit (https://ssscpd.co.uk/education/parentsandguardians/child-mental-health-10-tips-for-parents/-/pj==).

Kooth is a support service that provides ideas for relaxation and mindful activities to help reduce stress and anxiety, as well as offering emotional and mental health support; (https://www.kooth.com/).

Additionally, Young Minds is a national charity championing the emotional wellbeing and mental health of children by offering support, advice, and guidance to ensure they can access the right help; (https://youngminds.org.uk/).













Nominations for	
Cedar	Mark
Ash	Rafferty
Oak	Eli H
Beech	Grace
Poplar	Zachary
Willow	Elsie
Holly	Nathan
Elm	Jayden
Sycamore	Ellie
Keller	Cothele
Seacole	Tiana
Barnardo	Una
Attenborough	Oscar
Curie	Tom
Hawking	Agnese
Ghandi	Sophie
King	Niamh
Mandela	Poppy Paula
Pankhurst	Tallulah Rees
Douglass	Dara
Dickens	Oisin



### October

October	Black History Month
Monday, 17 <sup>th</sup> @ 9am	Reading Comprehension
& 6pm	Skills & Strategies Workshop
Wednesday, 19 <sup>th</sup> @	Reading Comprehension
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Friday, 21st	Last Day of Term







