

The Holme C of E Primary School

Weekly Newsletter Issue 9 20th November 2020

## **Week 10!**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well another busy week has flown by! I really can't believe how quickly we are heading towards the end of term! It has been so lovely, again, this week to see how focussed and settled the children are in school and all the positive learning I have seen in the classrooms.

We have just received a very kind donation of a Weather Station this week, from a member of our local community! We will be giving the children the opportunity to find out about how weather trends are monitored and how readings are taken over the next few weeks. I for one am very excited about the prospect and of course extremely grateful to our kind benefactor!

We started this week thinking about anti-bullying. Thank you to everyone who wore 'Odd Socks' on Monday and donated £1 to the Anti–Bullying alliance. The next PSHE focus week we have coming up is taken from the NSPCC Speak out, Stay safe programme, details of which will be attached to this newsletter.

Thank you again for your support around our keeping ourselves as COVID safe as possible, for wearing masks, keeping distance and for keeping to our staggered start and times. One or two children are beginning to arrive a little early again. Please try to stick to the times. We fully understand that there may be challenges. We really are trying to be as accommodating as possible—balancing guidance, our wish to keep everyone safe and being as flexible as possible so thank you again.

I have also had a few parents asking about Christmas cards and end of term Christmas happenings. I know our FROTH team have been working hard to arrange some treats and fundraisers for our children and they will be sharing details with you over the next couple of weeks. We are just finalising arrangements for Christmas dinners, Christmas jumper day and end of term celebrations, bearing in mind all the restrictions we have in place at the moment—I will let you know details as soon as possible. As far as Christmas cards are concerned, if you would like your child to write and send Christmas cards to children in their own class, we will set up post-boxes in each classroom from the beginning of December and run a system of quarantining the cards over weekends and only distributing them to the children on Mondays. We will have one final 'delivery' on the last day of term and the last 'Holme' Christmas posting day will be Tuesday 15th December. Unfortunately, we will not be able to accommodate cards across bubbles so children need to only send them to those within their class.

I think that is just about it! Have a lovely weekend, stay safe and thank you again for your continued support.

Best wishes, Sarah Stevenson Headteacher



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- Wk beginning Monday 30th NSPCC assemblies in school
- 1st December Year 3/4 Roman Day
- Wk Beginning 14th
   December :- Christmas
   Festivities week! (more details to follow)
- Tuesday 15th December last day for Christmas card positing in school.

#### PE DAYS

- Yr R: Tues and Thurs
- Y1 / Y2: Wed and Thurs
- Y3: Tues and Wed
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## HOUSE/DOJO POJNTS!

THJS WEEK:

1st place: Green house (106)

2nd place: Blue house (101)

3rd place: Red House (75)

4th place: Yobbow Bouse (68)

### THJSTERM:

1st place: Blue house (1,270)

2nd place: Yellow house (1,190)

3rd place: Red House (1,157)

4th place: Green house (1,155)

## BRONZE AWARDS!!!

Wrens: Charlie, Maggie, Amber, Henry S, Theo, Ruby, Dylan, Millie, Freddie and Oban

Nightingales: Bella, Millie, Jake, Maisie

Woodpeckers: Milly, Nina, Jack B

Don't forget you can send in £1 in a named envelope labelled 'Bronze badge' to exchange for a bronze acorn lapel badge. Use Class Dojo to let the teacher know to ask them to get it out of their bag!



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## Most Correct Answers this week:

 1. Axle Slade
 - Ethan
 (3,945)

 2. Gillian Sardo
 - Isla
 (694)

 3. Cisco Saxon
 - Nate
 (684)

## Fastest Studio Speed:

1. Axle Slade	-	Ethan	(0.99)
2. Irox Sharp	-	Goodness	(1.18)
3. Cisco Saxon		Nate	(1.29)
4. Gillian Sardo	-	Isla	(2.17)
5. Robert Granduciel		Jakob	(3.11)
6. Mad Rockagio	:=:	Lucy Fa	(3.08)
7. Godzilla Preciado	1.71	Jack S	(3.28)
8. Buddy White		Liam	(3.51)
9. Hal Lorre	19	Stanley	(3.53)
10. Diesel DiNizio		William	(3.55)

# Most Improved Studio Speed:

1. Don Wilddog — Alfie
2. Neko Fisher — Anthony
3. Gillian Sardo — Isla



# **Nightingales**

# **Most correct answers:**

1<sup>st</sup>: Florence 2<sup>nd</sup>: Maisie 3<sup>rd</sup>: Helé



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Dear Parent/Carer

#### RE: NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. online programme

I am pleased to tell you that this term we will be participating in the **NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. online** programme. This consists of an online assembly and supporting classroom based activities. *Speak out. Stay safe.* is a safeguarding programme available to all primary schools in the UK and Channel Islands. It aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse in a child friendly, interactive way. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a trusted adult or Childline.

The NSPCC have developed an online version of their *Speak out. Stay safe*. programme to help overcome some of the challenges that the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has presented in relation to having external speakers in school. In the online assembly, the *Speak out. Stay safe*. messages continue to be delivered in a fun and interactive way with the help of their mascot Buddy as well as special guest appearances from Ant and Dec.

We have studied the content of the materials and are extremely confident that they are appropriate for primary-school-aged children. By the end of the programme, we're convinced children will feel empowered – knowing how they can speak out and stay safe.

If you would like to know more about the *Speak out*. *Stay safe*. programme you can find more information on the NSPCC website <a href="www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout">www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout</a> or I would be happy to discuss any questions that you may have.

#### Talking PANTS with your children

The NSPCC's work in schools will help encourage conversations about staying safe and they have a number of child-friendly materials to help you carry on the conversation afterwards. That includes 'Talk PANTS', a simple way for parents to help keep children safe from sexual abuse – without using scary words or even mentioning sex.

The guide uses the rules of PANTS to teach children that their body belongs to them and them alone.

You can find out more and download the free resources at <a href="www.nspcc.org.uk/pants">www.nspcc.org.uk/pants</a>.

### **Childline Under 12's Website**

Childline also have a website with age appropriate advice for primary school children on topics such as bullying. It also has games and other interactive tools. Your child can visit it at <a href="https://www.childline.org.uk/kids.">www.childline.org.uk/kids.</a>

If you'd like to know more about the NSPCC's work, or take a look at the wide range of information and advice which is available for parents and carers, please visit their website <a href="https://www.nspcc.org.uk/parents">www.nspcc.org.uk/parents</a>.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher

