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THE HALE HERALD

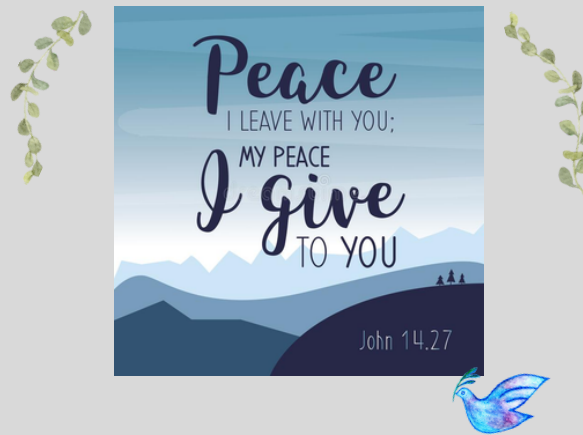
THE NEWSLETTER FOR HALE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

This week the children throughout school have all been fantastic despite a number of days stuck inside whilst we waited for the snow and ice to melt. They certainly all appreciated their outdoor play today!

Can ask that if children want to wear boots during the colder weather outside that they bring their normal school shoes to change into and wear inside. The children can put their boots back on at playtimes if they want. Those in boots have found it difficult to sit in the hall for assemblies and many have complained that their feet have hurt at various points during the day.

All of our children are expected to read daily either their reading book, reading for pleasure book or a text on Reading Plus. Children who do not read daily will be asked to attend a Friday lunchtime reading club.

Mrs Fenton



A big thank you to one of our Year 5 parents who generously organised the work just before Christmas to create the path to the Reading Cabin. The Cabin can now be used no matter what the weather!



Attendance across the school is currently 93.9% our school target is 96%.



Our twitter feed @hale_school and our website (curriculum in action) has lots of pictures and examples of activities and children's work from across the school.



Last week the children in Year 4 and 5 started their swimming lessons at SWIM in Hunts Cross. It was a great experience watching many of the children overcome fears and nerves as well as seeing those strong swimmers showcase their talent.

The facilities and staff at SWIM are fantastic and everyone is looking forward to their remaining lessons.



Book Week

27th February - 3rd March



This year we have selected an author for each class for the week.

Reception - Eric Carle

Year 1 - Michael Rosen

Year 2 - Jill Murphy

Year 3 - Anne Fine

Year 4 - Oscar Wilde

Year 5 - E.Nesbit

Year 6 - Robert Louis Stevenson



Throughout the week there will be a range of reading based activities that the children will take part in both in school and in the village.

Friday the 3rd March will be a non-uniform day (no football/rugby kits). Children are invited to create at home a hat or headband inspired by a book or character linked to their class author and wear it on this day. For example children in Year 2 may create elephant hats linked to "The Large Family" that appear in many of Jill Murphy's books.

The children will get an opportunity to share what they have created both in class and during a special assembly in the afternoon.

Further details will be sent out again closer to the time.



Reading Plus is a fundamental aspect to every child's learning at Hale. If your child accesses Reading Plus for 15-20 minutes per day, Monday to Friday, they can make a year's worth of progress in a term, ensuring they are fluent in word reading and can comprehend longer texts at a deeper level. It is vital that your child accesses this software regularly, to ensure they keep up with the increasing demand in the reading curriculum as they progress through Key Stage Two.

To promote reading- Years 3,4,5 and 6 will now have three Reading Champions each half-term. These pupils will take part in our 'Wild about Reading' afternoon in the forest school.

Supporting learning at home



All children are expected to read every school night. For those children in KS2 this can be a mixture of their reading/library books and Reading Plus.

Please ensure you record when your child has read.

On a Friday we will invite children who have not read at home during the week to a break time reading session where they will have the opportunity to read.

The children in KS2 should be able to access Reading Plus independently at home - they all do this regularly in school.

Daily practice of at least 5 minutes will help your child to have greater success in Maths.

Children should be able to access this independently once they have become familiar with it.



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Please visit our website to see our recent updated information about how we teach children to read through the DFE validated "Little Wandle" here at Hale CE. The information is in the curriculum area and includes parent videos.

We're teaching every child to read with Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised

A complete SSP validated by the Department for Education

