

FHIS NEWSLETTER

July 2020 - Terms 5 & 6



Events Calendar

- ♦ 10.10.20 - Halloween Hunt
- ♦ 06.11.20 - Fireworks
- ♦ 05.12.20 - Henleaze Junior's Christmas Bazaar
- ♦ 05.02.21 - Winter Disco
- ♦ February / March 2021 - Quiz Night
- ♦ March/April 2021 - Easter Egg Hunt
- ♦ July 2021 - Summer Disco

We hope you are all well during these unprecedented times!!!

Stay Connected

Please join the (closed) FHIS Facebook group to stay connected. Link below.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/FriendsofHenleazeInfantSchool/?ref=share>

Whether you are new to the school or a current parent, please join Classlist.

It is the easiest way for us to communicate with all parents. Link below.

<https://classlist.page.link/TSXgudaRJ5ahcMHZ7>

Committee and Volunteers Plea

A big thank you to all 2019/20 outgoing Committee members, volunteers, Class Reps and everyone who has attended an event! We cannot do this without your support.

FHIS are in urgent need of parents to join the Committee to fill existing vacancies such as Co-Chair, Marketing/Events & Sponsorship/Fundraising. We also need volunteers to join events teams. Whilst we have existing teams to run 2020 events, we do not have any teams to run 2021 events. If you can help run a team, or would like to join a team, please email us.

We are excited to welcome new Reception parent Lyndsey Wheble to FHIS. Lyndsey will oversee EasyFundraising & Amazon Smile. Thank you Lyndsay.

Without new organisers and volunteers, we will be unable to run events.

Please contact us and get involved. Thank you.



Events Calendar

As we are sure you will all appreciate, with rules constantly changing regarding social distancing and gatherings it is impossible to plan with certainty right now. We would love to be able to host the Halloween Hunt and Fireworks display but the reality is that this might not be possible.

If we are unable to run these events, we **may** be able to offer alternative community events, in conjunction with HENSA but this will depend on demand but also volunteers, like you, coming forward and offering your time and help. Please watch for announcements or contact us if you can help or have suggestions.



School Library Update

Forms have been submitted to Bristol City Council to obtain Consent for Alterations to create the new library off the corridor where Classes 6 & 7 are located. On the assumption that Consent is granted, works are scheduled to take place over the summer. This will be a massive boost for everyone involved with the school. A big thank you to everyone who has been involved.



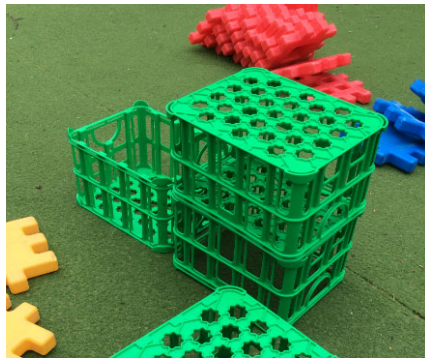
To Win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for the new library, and £100 for yourself, please click on the link below to enter the online competition, it only takes a minute:

<http://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

Porch and ELLI Animals

Following the ELLI animal workshop in March, Illustrator Emily Fox has produced some fantastic drawings which are currently under review by the school. As the porch needs a refresh before works can be installed, a number of volunteers have offered their help for free. Thank you. ***Additional helpers are welcome!***

If you can help with a flooring supplier, please let us know.



Term 5 Spending - Thanks to your support, FHIS have been able to support the school's request to fund play equipment and resources for Reception children in the sum of £1,900. (Photos showing some of the items purchased.)

Playground & Outside Equipment



The school's focus for 2020/21 is the playground (an all-weather surface beneath the Trim Trail and resources for the 'calm playground'). **Can you help us to help us raise funds over the summer?** Perhaps you will run 1km or learn to juggle. Publish your photos on the FHIS Facebook page! If each family can help raise funds, it would be a great start to achieve the school's goal for the new academic year. Please contact us for details of how to donate.

Farewell Session / Leavers T-Shirt, Year 2

Each year FHIS support the school by funding an event for the Year 2 children moving onto new schools. Due to the Corona virus this will not be possible this year. We had planned to offer Leavers clothing for parents to purchase, however, this year each Year 2 child will be gifted an HIS Leavers 2020 t-shirt, instead of an event. These will distributed by school at the farewell session on Wednesday 15th July, together with an ice lolly.

We wish all Year 2 children the very best in the next stage of their adventure!

How to Help

For ways in which you can help support the school, please see the attached How to Help document. The School will update the Amazon Wishlist shortly and will continue to do so on an ongoing basis.

School Uniform, Dressing-up Donations & Unwanted Items

If you have any outgrown/unwanted school uniform or dressing-up costumes, then FHIS would love your donations! This year Abi Reeve and Kate Rocha will be overseeing uniforms. Thank you! Please email Abi or Kate direct at the new, specific uniform email address FHISuniform@gmail.com where you can arrange to drop off and purchase uniform. Uniform can also be purchased via the FHIS Facebook page.



FHIS are able to offer the collection of uniform to coincide with drop off / collection times at the Year 2 Farewell session on Wednesday 15th July and Year 1 Celebration event on Thursday 16th July. Please bring items bagged up and leave them by the seated area adjacent to the entrance gate where they will be collected. HENSA will be offering second hand clothing for sale in the junior playground on Friday 4th September 2020.

Are you having a sort out? If so, please donate items such as clothes, paired shoes, bags, belts and toys and place them in the clothing bank situated in the school car. The school receive money for items recycled.

Are you running a marathon?

If you are running a marathon, then why not do so for charity? FHIS is a Registered Charity and we are always grateful to receive donations. Please contact for details of how to donate.

Support Local Businesses & FHIS

As we were unable to hold the Easter Egg Hunt or Summer Disco, we have a number of donated prizes available. Why not treat your family to a great day out and support local business and FHIS? Please submit your best bid for one (or more) of the prizes listed on the attached flyer by **Friday 10th July, 5pm**.

If you, or the company you work for can offer a raffle item for a future raffle please let us know.

To contact us, please email us at: FHISinfo@gmail.com

Finally, have a great summer folks!!!

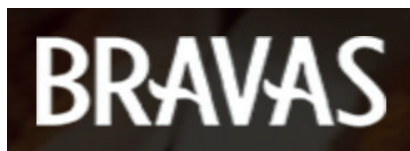
BEST BIDS FOR FAMILY ACTIVITIES

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Friends of Henleaze
Infants School

Please submit your best bid for one (or more) of the prizes
by **5pm on Friday 10th July** to **fhisinfo@gmail.com**

Winners will be notified by email on Sunday 12th July 2020.

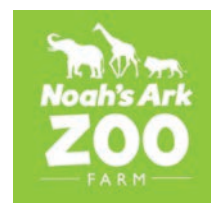


Bravas

£20 voucher

This can be used against in-house lunch
or the takeaway service.

[Expiring 5th October 2020.](#)



Noah's Ark Zoo Farm

Two adults (rrp £39.50)

[Expiring 25th September 2020.](#)



Wild Place

Two adults & two children (rrp £52.00)

[Expiring 30th September 2020.](#)



Grand Pier, WSM

All day unlimited rides for two people
(rrp £30)

[Expiring 30th September 2020.](#)



Court Farm Country Park

2 adults and 2 children (rrp £27)

(Outdoor play & animals re-opening 10th July)

[No expiry date.](#)



Henleaze Photography

1 hour photographic session,
plus 10 digital images and 10 prints
from chosen images = 1 print in mount up to
10x7", 1x A4 print and 8 standard prints. (rrp £129)

(Reopening 1st August 2020)

[Valid in 2020.](#)



3 available

Bristol Ferry Boats

Family All Day ticket for up to 2 adults
& 3 children. (rrp £32 per ticket)

[No expiry date.](#)



Avon Valley Railway

Family ticket for 2 adults and 2 children
for steam train (rrp £27)

(Cafe open, train rides reopening shortly)

[Expiring October 2020.](#)



FHIS now have an Amazon Smile account, so you can help raise even more funds for the school, for free, when you shop with Amazon and purchase eligible items!

Simply follow the link:
<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1073055-0>
and follow the instructions to set up, then shop as usual and Amazon will donate a small percentage of every purchase price to FHIS.

Only purchases made through the Amazon Smile website count, so please do add a link to your desktop to help you remember.

HOW TO HELP...



https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/JK1X4IKEMU9B/ref=cm_go_nav_hz

FHIS have an evolving 'Wishlist' of items that they are always very grateful to receive parental help with purchasing. Simply add your items to your basket in Amazon and check-out through Amazon Smile to maximise possible donation opportunities.

DOES YOUR EMPLOYER OFFER MATCH FUNDING?

In the last two years FHIS has generated an additional £4,624 from funding given by corporations with schemes to support PTA's of employees.

Most of these funds have come via match funding, whereby the company pledges a donation to match the funds raised by an employee at one of our events. Many corporations offer match funding or similar schemes, **does your employer offer match funding?**

In many cases these schemes are simple to tap into, but the benefits can be significant.

Please check with your employer as all donations have an important impact on your child's experience at school.

DONATIONS

The FHIS Committee are often asked if there are other ways that you can support the school outside of everything listed here and FHIS events. The most common question is we cannot attend an event but want to donate something. How do we do that?

Donations are always gratefully received and can be made via the grey post-box situated beside the school office (playground side). Alternatively, donations can be made via the FHIS bank account. Please ask for account details.



Did you know that you can help raise funds for the school for FREE just by doing your online shopping through easyfundraising?

Simply follow the link below or use the app and the shops that have signed up will donate a percentage of the purchase price to FHIS, at no extra cost to you.

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/henleazeinfantschool/?invite=vgt73v&referral-campaign=s2s&utm_source=adobecampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=referral-2019&utm_content=supporter_engagement_ref_101119&origin=R1878

Sign up to support FHIS and you can raise free donations for them every time you shop online. Over 4,000 retailers have signed up including John Lewis, M&S, Sports Direct, Curry's PC World, Great Little Trading Company, Sainsbury's and many more. You can also raise money by booking holidays and car hire! These donations really make a difference and it only takes a moment to get started.

If you have an idea for an event, fundraiser or anything else, please speak with your Class Rep or contact FHIS at FHISinfo@gmail.com

FINALLY, IF YOU'RE UNSURE ABOUT ANYTHING IN THIS DOCUMENT
PLEASE COME AND SPEAK TO US.
MOST OF ALL THANK YOU!!!