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Dear Parent/Carer,

Teachers have been meeting this week to share pupil progress information with myself and senior leaders. There has been some really positive progress across the curriculum, much to do with the commitment of parents in supporting home learning during lockdown. Understandably, there were also some gaps and trends identified that we will follow up on in school planning. I will communicate these in a separate letter early next week and teachers will continue to highlight areas of focus through class blogs each week. As ever, your continued input at home will have a huge impact on your child's progress, this year it is more important than ever for us to work in partnership.

Working scientifically has been a big focus in school this week with Reception excitedly noticing shoots emerging from the seeds they planted, Year 1 designing fair tests for plant growing conditions and Year 2 starting a diary of their observations of the growth of different plant types as well as having a 'field study' session of the school site to categorise the plants we have growing here.

Perhaps due to the school focus on growing things, our School Council held a vote in their classes last week and from this a decision was made to increase planting in the school grounds. FHIS have kindly donated some funds for plants, but we would really appreciate any parent volunteers that might be able to support with planting and perhaps a little DIY (creating planters). The hope is that after May 17th, we can invite in a small number of volunteers to work outside with a group of children. If you are able to spare some time at the beginning of Term 6 to either work with children during an

afternoon, or come after school hours to support the project, please email the school office with your availability.

Have a good weekend.

Best wishes,

Gemma Fricker

Celebration

Stars of the Week:

Class 1: **Rhiannon**

Class 2: **Theo**

Class 3: **India**

Class 4: **Ben**

Class 5: **Scarlet**

Class 6: **Stas**

Class 7: **Fynn**

Class 8: **Ellis**

Class 9: **Dunmi**

Class of the week this week is: Class 1 for demonstrating their Creative Unicorn skills across the curriculum

To watch the celebration messages from Mrs Fricker, follow this link:

<https://youtu.be/TC5bu39zWO8>

Messages

The school blog contains answers to FAQs

Class blogs contain important messages from teachers as well as the learning for the week

Breakfast Club bookings:

If you would like a place for your child at Breakfast Club, please email:

breakfastclubhenleaze@bristol-schools.uk

Admin will be contacting those who are on the waiting list over the next few weeks, then will start to offer places for new children for September.

Inset day update:

Please note that Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd September 2021 will be inset days utilised for staff training. Term 1 of next academic year will therefore commence on Monday 6th September. Monday 3rd January 2022 will also be an inset day. The details of the two remaining inset days will be published shortly.

School's Out Henleaze June ½ Term Holiday – open for bookings:

Our June ½ Term Holiday Club is open for bookings! Running weekdays from Tuesday 1st to Friday 4th April, we'll be based at Henleaze Infant School and are open to all children. We will be following the latest government guidelines and grouping children in year group pods, as well as making the most of our outside space with a great range of sports, crafts and games. From den building to an outdoor disco, we'll keep the kids entertained.

For more info and to book visit

www.schoolsouthernleaze.co.uk

Book [here](#)

The club costs just £26 for a full day (8.15am – 5.30pm). You can sign up to just one day, multiple days or the full programme.

Contact: Jenny

email; manager@schoolsouthernleaze.co.uk

Road safety and building work-Henleaze Park:

Many of you will be aware of the building work opposite our side entrance. The site owners have been asked to speak to contractors to organise deliveries outside of drop off and pick up points, but we ask that all parents take extra care due to this additional hazard.

Pictures from school:

Teamwork Bees in Reception



Observing plant growth and Forest School



Shine PE



Dates for the diary

Mon 3 rd May	Bank Holiday
Fri 7 th May	Deadline for ordering Father's Day mugs from FHIS
Tue 11 th May	Vision screening Reception and Yr 1
Tue 18 th May	Vision screening Reception and Yr 1

Fri 28 th May	End of Term 5 Deadline for ordering Yr 2 Leavers hoodies from FHIS
Mon 7 th Jun	Start of Term 6
Fri 16 th Jul	FHIS Summer event TBA
Wed 21 st Jul	End of Term 6
Thu 2 nd Sep	Inset day
Fri 3 rd Sep	Inset day
Mon 6 th Sep	Start of Term 1 for pupils
Fri 22 nd Oct	End of Term 1
Mon 1 st Nov	Start of Term 2
Fri 17 th Dec	End of Term 2
Mon 3 rd Jan	Inset day
Tue 4 th Jan	Start of Term 3 For pupils
Fri 18 th Feb	End of Term 3

Notice board

Lovely, friendly lady guinea pig available with it's own cage, water bottle and food. If you are able to give it a good home, please contact the school office for more information.

News from FHIS

Dear Parents and Carers

FHIS FATHER'S DAY MUGS - today is the last day to return your child's artwork template and order your personalised mugs costing £6.00 each. Once payment has been made

at <https://paypal.me/pools/c/8yHH18Bsj7> please email lornamcnair@hotmail.com with your child's name to confirm that you have paid enabling us to match up the payments with completed templates. Mugs will be distributed after the May half-term. **Please note that the PayPal money pool closes tomorrow, Saturday 8th May.**

FHIS Events - June 2021-July 2022

- Whilst FHIS have worked hard to bring families a full calendar of events this academic year and raised an incredible £10,000 so far, an estimated £18,000 has been lost due to our inability to hold the 2020 May Fair and Fireworks event and the 2021 May Fair.

Subject to Covid restrictions lifting from 21st June, we will be offering two events before the end of this academic year; the sale of ice creams (25th June, 2nd and 9th July) and our summer event on the evening of Friday 16th July.

FHIS Committee have operated events this year with limited assistance from the HIS parent community, but now **WE NEED YOU TO GET INVOLVED IN ORDER TO HELP RUN EVENTS GOING FORWARD.** We have uploaded all events seeking team members as well as available FHIS Committee roles on the Sign-up Genius link below.

www.signupgenius.com/go/70a084dafab2aa3f94-fhis

We are immediately seeking 4 volunteers to help run the sale of ice cream from c.14.50 - 15.45 on Friday 25th June, 2nd and 9th July. Can you help set-up and sell these tasty Friday night treats?

We have created a fantastic summer event on Friday 16th July which will include a DJ, food, a licensed bar as well as inflatables and rides for the children, however, we cannot run this event without volunteers. To be part of this amazing event team, please sign up to one of the five slots available by clicking on the link above.

If you would like to join an event that is already full, please email us at fhisinfo@gmail.com

WITHOUT VOLUNTEERS, THESE TWO EVENTS AND FUTURE EVENTS WILL BE UNABLE TO RUN.

Second Hand Uniforms - Within the summer event, we aim to offer second hand uniforms for sale. We hope to announce set dates when you can drop your used and unwanted school uniforms into school for collection very soon.

Thank you

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