



# Henleaze Infant School

**14th October 2022**

## Bulletin

### Headteacher update:

This week there has been prolific evidence of the Curious Cat ELLI skill in action across the school. In science discussions about materials, Year 2 considered how density impacts whether a material will float. Year 1 and Reception were delving deep into changes that occur in autumn. Year 1 talked about deciduous and evergreen trees and Reception found out about hibernation and migration. In follow up activities it was wonderful to hear children continuing their discussions about these subjects and as the children described it... "learning like spies" and "questioning everything like a scientist would".

I urge parents to take a look at what children have been learning about at school to support and extend the questions they have been considering. I think you'll be surprised by their depth of knowledge!

As we look towards the half-term break in a week's time, I have listed below some local activities to get children thinking. From art and storytelling to lantern parades, Bristol

### Coming up:

Wednesday 19th Parents' Evening booking system goes live at 6:00

Friday 21st- End of term & non-uniform day with £1 donation to FHIS

[Click below for the school calendar](#)



**Bluebell Class: Louis**

**Cherry Class: François**

**Maple Class: Amaya**

**Sycamore Class: Eliza**

**Magnolia Class: Elizabeth**

**Class of the Week: Magnolia**

**Class for being fantastic role models for learning and friendship behaviour.**

**Congratulations everyone!**

has a lot on offer for families during the break.

Have a good weekend.

Best wishes

Gemma Fricker

Photos and information about what has been happening in classes, the learning plans as well as important messages from teachers are all found in the class blogs ([click below](#))



### Curriculum Update: Geography

#### Henleaze Infant School is taking climate action!

We have some exciting news to share about a new school initiative...

We are preparing to launch a brand-new Active Travel Policy, to encourage all members of our school community to switch from car usage, to actively travelling to and from school wherever possible, by walking, scooting, biking or, where a car is necessary, park & striding. The main aim is to reduce CO2 emissions, promote sustainable travel within our school community and to take climate action!

In support of the Active Travel Policy, and with £5,000 grant funding (awarded to FHIS from the Bristol City Council Climate and Ecological Emergency Community Grant Programme, administered by Quartet Community Foundation), we will be installing some new (uncovered) bike & scooter storage on the school



Reminder to come along the Spooktacular Halloween Treasure Hunt on Sunday between 2-4pm! We'd love your cake donations on the day please.??There's still time to sign up to help <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090445ADA922A0F58-halloween1>

Fireworks night ticket sales start at the Halloween event and will be sold next week on 19th & 21st (Infants) and 20th & 21st (Juniors)

It's a huge event raising a considerable amount of money for the school each year. We need your help to enable the event to be run and we'd be so grateful if you could sign up for a 30 min slot. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094DADA72AA3FDCF8-fhis>

For anyone who'd be willing to volunteer for the whole night (5-8:30pm), you'll get a free ticket and still be able to watch the fireworks. If you're interested in this please contact Christian on 07825615142.

**Click [here](#) for more news on the FHIS webpage:**

grounds, to include additional bike stands for up to 20 bikes and scooter storage racks for up to 34 scooters!

Our new Eco Committee (which when fully established, will comprise pupils from Reception, Year 1 & Year 2) will be sharing their ideas on how to promote our new Active Travel Policy. So watch this space over the coming weeks and months for communications, activities & on-site developments as we get stuck into this exciting project!

Beth Aviss, Geography and Eco Committee Lead



### **Important Messages:**

#### **Anxiety about school:**

Back to School Top Tips for parents

Although many children have successfully started or returned to school this academic year, there are still some children who are experiencing high levels of anxiety. Spurgeons, a children's charity have produced some tips about supporting children to return and continue to attend school successfully. For further information please visit [Back to school week – Top Tips for parents and carers – Spurgeons](#)

#### **Managing asthma:**

Schools have received some updated guidance for supporting pupils with asthma. This included parent

information which is attached to this bulletin.

## Half-Term Family Activities:

### **Bump in the Night FREE lantern making and dance workshop from Bristol Old Vic**

**A chance to get involved in the *Bump in the Night* Lantern Parade through Bristol Centre on Sunday 30 October**

The Procession leaves Broadmead at 5pm and arrives at Bristol Old Vic approx 5.45pm

### **Part of the parade will be themed around - The Anansi Story**

Come and take part in Free Dance and Costume Workshops at Bristol Old Vic on King Street.

### **Carnival Structure Making with Ruth Ramsay**

Workshops are centred on building the big Anansi carnival puppet - ages 8 plus and accompanied by adults or adults are welcome **Friday October 14th, 6.30 - 8.30pm and Saturday October 15th, 12 - 5pm**

### **Dance and Head-dress sessions with Ripton Lindsay and Ruth Ramsay**

- Suitable for all ages and generations: Individuals families and groups of friends. No experience necessary
- **Saturday October 29th, 10 - 12pm or 1 - 3pm or 4 - 6pm**
- Workshops Dance  
Headdress will be spending 1 hour in dance and 1 hour in headdress making both guided by experienced workshop professionals
- Participants should bring a bottle of water and wear clothing and shoes

comfortable for dancing  
and headdress workshops

**Storytelling Performance all participants are invited to this session with African story teller Kabbo who will share some Anansi stories with you - spaces are limited so please book Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October 3 - 4pm**

**Dance Recap Session (for previous workshop attendees to practice) Sunday October 30th, 10 - 11 & 11-12**

**How to book a place** – Please sign up is via the Bump in the Night website

here: <https://www.thelamplighters.org.uk/bump-in-the-night> Please make sure you book the Bristol Old Vic Sessions on the dates in RED above.

**General info here -**

<https://bristololdvic.org.uk/whats-on/bump-in-the-night-lantern-parade>

**Head to Blaise Museum for some spooky family fun this October half term.**

Try your hand at some beautiful bat crafting activities with Jem Dick, our crafter-in-residence and see if you can spot all the pumpkins on our house trail. Snuggle up for spooky tales of witches and dragons with Michael Loader, our resident story teller. Running on 22 and 26 October 11am to 3pm.

To book your free place visit: [What's On - Bristol Museums](#)

**[Halloween Family Event: Art by Torchlight](#)**

**Wednesday 26 October 2022, 5.30-6.30pm**

This Halloween bring the whole family along to RWA and experience the [169 Annual Open Exhibition](#) by torchlight.

Can you spot the spooky spiders hiding around the artworks? Find them all and win a prize! After

exploring the gallery make you way down to our Family Room, transformed into a Halloween grotto and have a go at some self-led creative activities. Children and families are encouraged to dress up and there will be a special prize for the best children's costume.???????

[Book Here](#)

To book breakfast club, after school club or sports enrichment click below. To see more enrichment opportunities visit our [extra-curricular clubs page](#).