



Henleaze Infant School

20th January 2023 Bulletin

Headteacher update:

The celebration of lunar (or Chinese) new year this weekend illustrates how quickly the term is rolling on. As is typical after a busy Christmas break, many children are starting to tire by the end of the week, but this hasn't stopped them creating some fantastic pieces of writing that they have been developing since the start of the week. Leaders have been lucky enough to spend time in some writing lessons this week and are feeling really impressed with the creativity, skill and effort shown in the children's writing. Reception have been inspired to write based on some very imaginative maps that they created, Year 1 created artwork of a dinosaur paradise to write about and Year 2 have been really engrossed in the story and characters in Look up, and so were able to write from the perspective of another using some sophisticated language and composition. We all love a good story, but it shows how powerful they are in developing children's imagination, vocabulary and love of literature.

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](#))

Coming up:

1st Feb-School closed to most pupils due to teacher strike action (see separate communication)

[Click below for the school calendar](#)



Daffodil Class: Annie
Buttercup Class: Gus
Daisy Class: Saroosh
Bluebell Class: Leon
Cherry Class: Sienna K-W
Maple Class: Phineus
Sycamore Class: Lola
Magnolia Class: Noah

Class of the Week: Buttercup Class for lots of children working extra hard this week and for all being kind friends to one another



Important Messages:

Strike Action Contingency Plan:

A whole school communication was sent out earlier today outlining the plan for the 1st February.

Shine Sports are running childcare from their St Ursula's site for those who need it. Book through the Shine website.

Parent/Carer Survey request from

BCC:

Bristol Autism Team who are part of Bristol City Council have just launched an engagement survey live. We would like parent/carers, Autistic children or young person's who could have contact with the Bristol Autism Team to complete the survey. The purpose of the survey is to inform the shape of our services in the future.

The link for the survey is here: [Bristol Autism Team engagement | Ask Bristol Consultation and Engagement Hub](#)

SEND Parent Nurture Groups:

Murmuration have a new batch of wonderful SEND parent nurture groups starting this month. These groups are for parent carers who want:

- to connect with others who get it
- to take a break from holding it all and feel held themselves
- to learn ways to build resilience

This course is run by a therapist and a community worker/parent carer. You can book a place via



Another great week of children 'reading for the stars!'

Congratulations everyone!



Hi!

We have two events coming up the Winter Disco and Curry and Quiz night! Below are some ways to help with the disco.

FHIS Winter Disco - Friday 3rd Feb (6-7.30pm)

<https://murmurationcommunitytherapy.entbrite.com>

Feedback from previous participants:

'This group has freed me from the deep pain of isolation that I've felt since my child was born.'

'I have learned so much, more than I ever expected, and I've come away with an amazing group of friends who just 'get it'

'Poppy and Naomi are amazing. I love them! We all laughed and cried our way through the sessions and learned a lot. If you are thinking of attending, then do so! You won't regret it!'

'Talking openly about feelings and helping us to understand them was invaluable'

If you are working with a parent who you feel could benefit from some connection and resilience building, please encourage them to get in touch. These groups are all East and central Bristol but after Easter we will be running groups in other parts of the city.

Poppy

Murmuration Community Therapy
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<https://murmurationcommunitytherapy.webly.com>



**MURMURATION
PARENT CARER
NURTURE GROUPS**

8 sessions building emotional wellbeing and friendship amongst SEND parents through group sharing, journaling and therapeutic activities

Tuesdays 10-11.30am at the Limes Children's centre starting 10th Jan

Wednesdays 1-2.30pm at Oldbury Court Children's Centre starting 25th Jan

Tuesdays 8-9.30pm in Easton Community Centre starting 24th Jan

Poppy and Naomi are amazing. I love them! We all laughed and cried our way through the sessions and learned a lot.

I feel much more able to cope with thoughts and feelings that come up on a daily basis.

I have learned so much, more than I ever expected, and I've come away with an amazing group of friends who just get it.

pour in nurture - build up strength

email murmurationct@gmail.com to book your place

COMMUNITY

Join us for a fun evening of disco, games, snacks, drinks & more! The event is kindly sponsored by Boardwalk Estate Agents. We will also be donating some of the profits to the charity "Warm Places across Bristol".

How can you help?

1. *Volunteers* Please sign up to a 30min slot on the day

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A084DAFAB2AA3F94-fhis1>

2. *Hamper Donations* - Please donate any giftable items - bottles, food, games, toys, home, books..anything you think would be nice to go in the hamper ???. Please take these to your class by *Friday 20th Jan*. If you have any hamper baskets/boxes to pass on, that would be great too.

3. Also, if you own or know a local business that would be happy to donate a prize, please let get in touch.

Thank you,

The Winter Disco Team

Click here for more news on the FHIS webpage:

To book breakfast club, after school club or sports enrichment click below.

To see more enrichment opportunities
visit our [extra-curricular clubs page](#).

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