

Headteacher update:

Last week in school there was some pupil conferencing to find out what children know and understand about Geography and music.

From this we were able to determine that as they go through our school, children build up a range of subject specific vocabulary and develop an understanding of the foundations in these areas. Subject leaders also enjoyed finding out about children's knowledge and interests developed from home, showing that like us in school, families spend time discussing these areas and developing children's interests and general knowledge.

The world news around Geography this week has been focused on the tragedy surrounding the huge earthquake in Turkey and Syria. It is really likely that children will hear of this and due to interest in earthquakes, may ask questions. Our older children will have learnt about the Earth's make up and could develop some geologic understanding about this, all children could develop an understanding of the way emergency services and people around the world all come together to help in a disaster situation. Some children may worry about something similar happening here in England. Explaining to children that the UK does not lie close to any tectonic plates and alongside this has a temperate climate due to its location, means we are really lucky not to experience some of the natural disasters caused by geological movement or weather.

BBC Bitesize is a good source of subject information. [Here](#) is a link to their pages on earthquakes.

The [Newsround](#) website is a really useful place for parents to go to find ways to explain difficult world news to children. It also has links to further resources for children who are worried about what they hear.

We are planning a fundraising event as a school and will update you about this next term.

Please look to the information below, blogs and the upcoming dates section on this bulletin to see what else is coming up.

Have a good week.

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: Internet Safety

Safer Internet Day 2023



On Tuesday 7th February we celebrated Safer Internet Day at HIS and the children from each year group took part in different discussions and activities around this.

In Reception children read Digiduck's Big Decision and thought carefully about who their trusted adults are who they could ask for help when using the internet. Year 1 read Digiduck's Famous Friend and then thought about what types of information are personal or private. Year 2 also thought about different types of private information but explored ways of substituting this information, for example instead of using your name you could make up a username or instead of giving your address you can say you live in the UK.

This is a great opportunity for parents to follow up these discussions with children at home. The [Safer Internet](#) and [Internet Matters](#) sites both have some fantastic top tips for parents around this.

Important Messages:

Date for your diary:

Please join us in celebrating **World Book Day** at Henleaze Infant School on Friday 3rd March. We are very lucky to have a drama workshop for all KS1 classes booked in for this day and we invite you to dress up as a book character and bring in your favourite book.

Please ensure all books brought in are labelled with your child's name and class.

Families in Focus have released a new bulletin full of ideas and support for families. Click [here](#) to see what is on offer for this half term and beyond.

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