



Henleaze Infant School

12th May 2023 Bulletin

Headteacher update:

Alongside Year 2 spending their mornings engaged in Secret Agent Training (AKA SATS) the children have continued with the enrichment projects that were started last week, marking the historical events of last weekend. As a school we have taken the opportunity to reinforce chronology through our history curriculum thread 'the lives of children in the past'. Staff (particularly those who have lived through a few decades) and children enjoyed looking back on the TV programmes that children watched in the years when our school was first opened and Queen Elizabeth II was crowned. They were incredulous about the lack of action involved in some shows...they couldn't understand how children enjoyed watching grown ups use a cardboard box as a rocket or vehicle and wondered why they didn't just use a real one!



As with many events happening around us, Henleaze Infants aims to use these opportunities to help children make links between their experiences. We've talked a lot about our ELLI linking spider this term and hope that children draw on these memories to link future learning.

Coming up:

Term 5:

Wednesday 17th May-
Reception visit to Noah's Ark
Zoo Farm
Friday 19th May-Y1 visit to the
SS Great Britain
Friday 26th May Head's Tea

Term 6 Dates:

Sports day-22nd June 1:30
Class Lists Shared-Week 3
'Shuffle up' -Week 4
Open morning-30th June 9:10
Y2 Leaver's Assembly-18th July
9:30

[Click below for the school calendar](#)



Daffodil Class: Polina
Buttercup Class: Rosa
Daisy Class: Anna
Bluebell Class: Florence
Cherry Class: Siena

Class of the Week: All of Year 2 for managing the changes in the school day this week so well.



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I have been very proud of the way that the Year 2 children have adapted to the timetable necessitated by tests this week. It is a reminder of their increased maturity and readiness to move on. We will start our transition discussions and activities with all children across the school next term, so will be sharing resources and messages with you all to support this. For now, the key message is 'keep things low key'. Children find it difficult to distinguish between excitement and anxiety and we want them to see the changes ahead as something they can take in their stride.

Some dates for transition and key events next term are now on the school calendar or date section of this bulletin. Please make a note to support you and your child in being prepared for the changes ahead.

Have a good weekend.

Kind Regards

Gemma Fricker



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

Congratulations everyone!



☼☼ **The Henleaze May Fair final countdown begins** ☼☼

It's just over one week to go until the school's biggest annual fundraiser, the Henleaze May Fair!

The festivities will kick off from **2 to 5pm on Saturday 20 May**, with highlights including May Pole dancing, Samba Band ?? performances, school choirs and loads of great games and stalls for families to enjoy.

There are a few ways you can get involved:

- We need more **volunteers to help on the day** or we won't be able to run all the great activities we have planned, so please sign-up to a half-hour slot to help run a stall, serve



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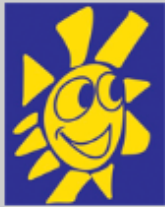


Teaming up to create our whole-school past and games children have play



up some tea or prosecco or man the entrance gates. Sign-up [here](#) or scan the QR code hanging outside Infant classrooms and Junior playground to find the time and stall that works for you. www.signupgenius.com/go/4090445ada922a0f58-mayfair?useFullSite=true#/

- **Buy your raffle tickets in advance** at [Classlist](#) (those without an account can check-out as a guest). Weather depending, you'll also find members of the May Fair team selling them after school all week. <https://app.classlist.com/events/#/events/view/982400650>
- **Cakes and biscuits** can be brought to the Infant dining hall on the day, to be sold alongside teas, coffees and soft drinks. Please write the ingredients of home-made goodies and keep the packaging of shop bought cakes, so we know what allergens are in them.
- **Second-hand toys, games, uniform and children's clothes** can be delivered to the Infant School Office until next Friday morning.
- **Decorated 'lucky jars'** filled with goodies and sweets can be taken to your infant child's classroom until next Friday morning.
- **Bottles (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) donations** can be delivered to the junior school



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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: Safeguarding: Common Sense Media

We are concerned by the number of children who are playing or talking about characters from TV/Films/games that are not suitable for their age range. Sadly, many of the big franchises that are advertised in a way that attracts a younger audience have high levels of violence and mature themes. Staff in school are finding that they need to intervene in games children are playing that reflect a lack of understanding between fiction and reality and have been concerned by the way children talk about the themes experienced. [Common Sense Media](#) is a really practical way to assess suitability of media content for children. They have an official, as well as parent, age rating alongside a brief summary of the content. For example, most Marvel films are recommended for 13+, Minecraft the video is 8+ and Minecraft Legends the game is 10+

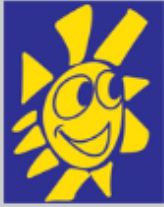
office until next Friday morning.

Finally, don't forget to clear your diary, pack some sun-cream (or rain-macs), invite your friends, family and neighbours, and come along to enjoy some school community fun!

See you next weekend. The May Fair Team

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

Important Messages:



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Bristol Parent Carers have released their upcoming parent workshops. Follow the link below for more information.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/webinars-support-advice-for-parent-carers-1457019>

Friday 26th May Head's Tea

Please join Mrs Fricker for a cup of tea and chance to catch up with her and other parents/carrs at 2:45 on Friday 26th May. This is an opportunity to discuss resources and ideas to support transition or ask questions about other aspects of school life.

Parent Support Charity: Bluebell Care Who are Bluebell Care?

We are a mental health charity supporting parents perinatally (from conception to when their baby is 2). We offer one to one peer support service, classes and groups, counselling and targeted support, and much more. There's more information on [Bluebell's website](#)

What is the Big Give?

Bluebell Care Trust have been selected to take part in the Big Give's Kind2Mind campaign, where mental health charities have the opportunity to double donations made to them for 7 days.

We have been pledged £5k in match funding. This will be doubled to £10k if we're successful. So every £1 donated is worth £2 to us.

When is it?

The campaign will go live at 12pm on Monday 15th May. Donations will be doubled until 11:30pm on Sunday 22nd May.

How can you help?

Come and join in.

You can come along to one of the events happening during the week: <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/support->



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You can donate.

All donations, in order to be match funded, need to be given through our Big Give campaign page. Here it

is: <https://donate.biggive.org/campaign/a056900002PoudYAAR>

Spread the word:

Share and like our social posts, encourage people within your networks to donate. Here are our social handles as a reminder:

- Instagram - @bluebellcare
- Twitter - @BluebellCare
- Facebook - @BluebellSupportingfamilies

If you have any questions or would like to know more about the campaign or the charity, please contact Georgia Barnes (07863984238)

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

Breakfast Club

Weekdays 8.00am – 8.45am

