



HUNTLEY NEWS

Our School Vision

Nurtured individuals, learning together with God's love, living life to the full.

Curriculum:

Evacuee experience: Last week, Class Estuary enjoyed an amazing evacuee experience. The children travelled on a steam train, with their gas mask boxes, and were met at a village hall where they found out what would have happened to the children at that time. The children were also lucky enough to have a talk from a 94 year old evacuee who shared their experience with them. They then got to have a go at fire fighting and when the siren sounded, they took cover in a bomb shelter. It really was an incredible experience, giving them an insight into what life might have been like for children during the war. A massive thank you to the parents/ carers for the fantastic costumes – the children looked amazing!

Village walk: As part of their topic work and to familiarise themselves with the local area, the children in year one went on a walk around Huntley village. They followed a map and found out about different places.

Swimming Year 5 and 6 have started swimming lessons this term. They have been amazing, listening really carefully to the swimming coaches and I have seen such an improved within each lesson.

Autumn Performance Poetry Competition. Information has gone out about our upcoming performance poetry competition. Children across the school are welcome to take part and some examples for each age group have been sent home. Children can choose their own poems if they wish – as long as they are about the season of Autumn. The competition will run throughout the last week of term (17th-20th)

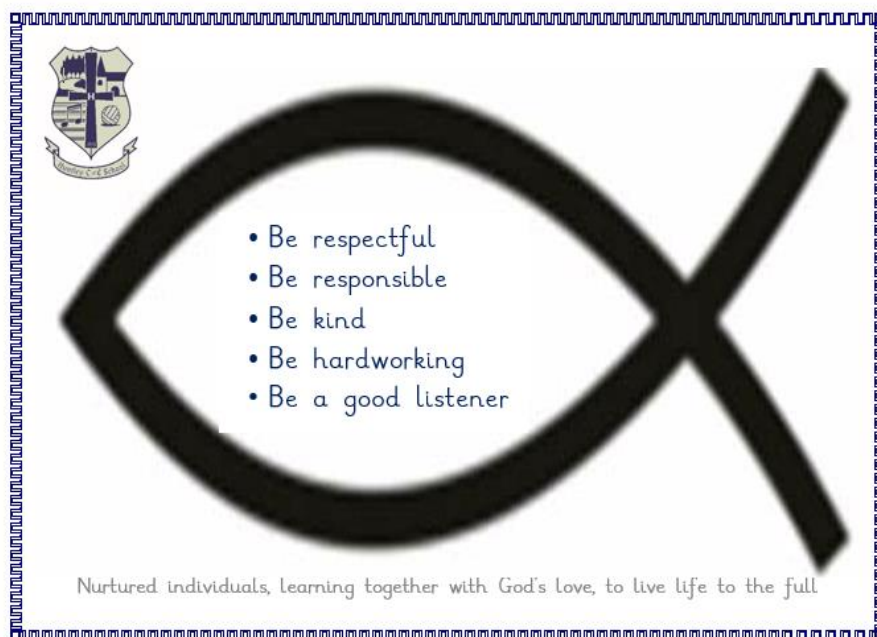
Behaviour/ Attendance

Attendance: Just a reminder that holidays cannot be authorised during school time. Please refer to the guidance given last term or see our attendance policy online. Due to Covid the fining process was ceased over the last couple of years but moving forward, unauthorised absences of over 10 sessions within a 10 week period will be reported to the local authority.

Class Estuary- I just wanted to say a massive well done to Class Estuary for their excellent behaviour on their recent school trip. They certainly showed our value of respect and Miss Bramley was approached by several member of the public saying how polite, well behaved and engaged the children were. We received the same comment from the people running the experience. Superstars!!!

Schools rules: Historically we have always developed class rules linked to a common behaviour approach across the school. However, we wanted to simplify this as currently rules are developed in classrooms, with the same principals, but slightly different focus. Our new rules are underpinned by our vision and core values, Respect, Courage and perseverance and will be shared with the whole school community. This will make things easier to share with you are parent/carers and more information about how this will work will follow.

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Personal Development:

Reception: Firstly, a huge welcome to our new reception children who joined us this week. Thank you also to the Y6 buddies who have tried really hard to help them settle in. We have been really proud of how the new starters have settled with us. Hopefully yesterday's parent meeting answered most questions but please pop in at any time if you have any queries. Mrs Goulding will be at the front entrance in the morning and I am in the playground first thing.

Death of Queen Elizabeth: Following the sad news of the death of her Majesty the Queen, the children carried out various activities in school to reflect and to celebrate her life. The children wrote letters to Buckingham Palace, wrote thoughts and prayers for the family, shared their memories of the Queen and expressed their gratitude for everything she had done during her long life.

We were grateful to have our Rev. Lara Bloom join us in the afternoon to explain to the children what had happened and what would happen next. She joined the staff and children in prayers for the life of the Queen and for King Charles.

After watching a Newsround programme together about the Queen's life, each class took their work to the church to display and share and had a quiet time of reflection. Each class decided what they wanted to write in the church book of condolence and they were very thoughtful.

Letters written by the children were read out in the church service what weekend and we were incredibly proud of the empathy the children displayed.

House captain and School council: At the end of the first week back, we held the school council elections and voted for the house captains. We were so impressed with the 'manifestos' written by some of the children. We certainly have some future politicians on our hands!

Well done to all those who stood for school council and congratulation to the following successful candidates!

School Council

Year Three: Rupert and Cecilia

Year Four: Eryn and Valentino

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Year Five: Hamish and Issi

Year Six: Kaylen, Oscar, Isobel and Austin

House Captains- The following were voted in as house captains by other members of their house

Dahl: Stanley

Morpurgo: Maia

Rowling: Grace

Donaldson: Sophie

Collective Worship: This term's living value is Justice and in collective worship this week the children have been finding out about the work of Christian aid and Fairtrade foods.

Certificates: Well done to the following children who all received awards in last week's merit assembly.

Class Stream – Georgia Y1 and Reception – whole year group for settling so well

Class River- Willow and Samuel

Class Estuary- Whole class for amazing behaviour on school trip, Jenson and Lily C

Class Ocean – Oscar, Kaylen, Stanley and Issy

Writers of the week- Bailey, Cecilia and Erin

Hand writer of the week – Willoughby (last week) William (This week)

Times Table Rockstar of the week – Harriet



Well done everyone



Class Estuary – made us very proud on their school trip!

Numbots: Congratulation to all those in Class Stream who gained their Numbots Rust award. Georgia, Martha, Hope, Eli, Bailey, Tilly, Alfie, Angus, Sophie, Arlo and Teo. James has worked hard to gain his Rust and Iron awards.

Other achievements: Outside of school, Tabitha and Cecilia took part in a creative challenge over the summer holidays. They brought in the medals they had received for completed a set number of creative activities over the summer. Cecilia also won a competition to design an England football top linked to the Women's team winning the Euros. This is the football shirt she won!

Also, lots of the children in Class River took part in the All Stars Cricket program and Rupert brought in his medal to show us.



Please let us know about any of your child's achievements outside of school and we can add them to our achievement board!

Miss Dawson's Engagement: Last but not means least- congratulations to Miss Dawson who got engaged over the summer holidays! Lovely news – we are all very happy for you both!

Leadership and Management:

Miss Bramley NCETM lead teacher role: I want to offer massive congratulations to Miss Bramley. After a rigorous interview process, she has been successful in becoming a lead maths teacher for National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics (NCETM)

This will mean that after a year of training and visiting other schools, she will be supporting different schools in the county to help them implement the high standard of maths teaching we have here at Huntley and to share our journey over the past few years. Congratulations – it is great that your commitment, passion and expertise has been recognised!

We wish you all the best in your new role.