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Latest News

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Carers,

What a week it has been at Hyde Park Schools! If there was a value to summarise this week it would be 'community'. To watch everyone come together to support Cystic Fibrosis – raising awareness and donations makes me so very proud. Whether you have helped by baking cakes, found a yellow t-shirt to wear or bought an item from the sale, a huge thank you to you all. There is more information about this fantastic cause in the newsletter below.

Today brings me to the end of my second full week here at Hyde Park. Last week was quite a whirlwind as we welcomed Ofsted into the Infant School. As we await the final written report, I would like to say how impressed I was by all of your children throughout the inspection process. They were incredible! As soon as we have the final report, we will share it with you all. This should be within 30 days of the inspection date.

So far, I have been busy trying to learn as much about our schools and children as possible. Thank you to everyone who has reached out and had a conversation with me at some point, it has been great to speak to you about your child's experiences in school. I work with an 'open door' approach and will always do everything I can to make the time to speak with you all, hear your feedback and work to build strong relationships. We have the highest ambitions for all children here in school and are incredibly proud and committed to help them achieve well in all aspects of their learning. By working together, we will achieve this!

Here are some lovely summaries of what has been going on in classes across the school this week. Please let us know if there is anything that you wish to share and celebrate from outside of school. I always love to hear about different events and celebrations that our children take part in!

I wish you all a restful and fun weekend with your families. Whether you are watching the world cup, out on a climbing wall, playing in the park or enjoying some rest and relaxation, stay safe and have fun; we look forward to seeing you all back in school on Monday morning.

Thank you, as always, for your support.

Mr Norris
Executive Headteacher

This Week in Our Classrooms

Reception



Reception children are continuing to explore capacity, using language for measure through our water play.

In Reception we have fun developing our large scale movements which supports us in our small scale

movements such as holding a pencil for writing.

It is such fun to see our children working together to develop their core strength through lifting and stacking the wooden blocks, using these blocks to create resources for their games. Look at this amazing aeroplane, I wonder where the destination will be?



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Year 1



Year 1 have been getting creative while practising their phonics and blending skills. They have enjoyed writing words, identifying 'Special

Friends', and playing a range of engaging games. These activities have helped them to read both real and alien words with increasing confidence, making learning fun while building strong foundations for their early reading and writing development.

Year 2



In Year 2, the children have been looking at statistics, including tally charts, block diagrams and pictograms. We gathered information about our class

and our favourite colours using a tally chart. We then used this information to make our own block diagrams using multilink cubes.



Year 3



In science we have been learning about forces and friction. This week we experimented with different surfaces to see which ones created the most friction. We made predictions, discussed control, dependent and independent variables, conducted our

experiment, looked for anomalous results and concluded the surface with the least amount of friction was wood or rubber.

Year 4

This week in Maths, Year 4 have been exploring angles. Using an angle checker, they investigated and identified angles around the classroom. They then worked collaboratively to create acute, obtuse, and right angles using their bodies, helping to deepen their understanding in a fun and practical way while building confidence and enjoyment in



their mathematical learning through active, engaging experiences.

Year 5



This week, Year 5 have been enthusiastically practising a range of disciplines in preparation for Sports Day. We have focused on

developing effective throwing techniques, helping pupils to improve both accuracy and distance. In addition, the children have been working hard on their relay skills, particularly baton changes, where teamwork and timing are essential. It has been fantastic to see their growing confidence as they prepare for the big event!



Year 6



This week in Year 6, our young scientists have been diving into an important and thought-provoking topic: the effects of smoking on the human body. As part of their learning, the children have been working hard to create a Science double page spread to present their

knowledge clearly and creatively. This project combines scientific understanding with presentation skills—just like real researchers and journalists!

In the news this Week

Each week in assembly, we explore a current news story and reflect on how it links to British Values, the UN Rights of the Child and protected characteristics, using questioning to support children in developing their oracy skills through thoughtful discussion.

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8th June is World Oceans Day, a time when people around the world think about how to care for seas, oceans and the creatures living in them. Dutch inventor, Boyan Slat, first became worried about ocean pollution as a teenager after seeing huge amounts of plastic while diving. He created the organisation The Ocean Cleanup, which designs special systems to remove rubbish from oceans and stop more plastic entering rivers and seas.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Why do you think oceans are important to people and animals?
- Have you ever seen pollution near a beach, river or park? How did it make you feel?
- What small changes could families make to help protect the oceans?
- Should countries work together more to protect the environment?

Celebrating Achievement



Miheli, has been recognised by the BRIC team for her outstanding achievement. She secured first place in the "April Shower" short story competition, impressing judges with her creative writing skills. In celebration of her success, she has received gift vouchers as a well-deserved reward for her hard work and imagination. We are all incredibly proud.



Abigail and her football team were interviewed by BBC Spot Light this weekend after making a stand against what has happened to Argyle Womens team. It will be on a feature this Saturday or Sunday ❤️. Well done, Abigail, we are very proud of you for standing up for a cause you feel strongly about. Look out for Abigail on Spotlight this weekend.

Remember

We love celebrating all the amazing activities our pupils get up to outside of school, If your child is involved in any kind of hobby or activity, please send a short description and a picture of them in action to the admin team.

Please remember: We cannot publish any photos that include other children. If you send in a photo, please make sure only your child is visible.

Thank you for your help in celebrating all of our stars!

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Wear Yellow Day at Hyde Park School

Today, our staff and pupils in Early Years have been wearing yellow to mark Wear Yellow Day as part of Cystic Fibrosis (CF) Week, helping to raise awareness and show support for those living with Cystic Fibrosis. This week, you may have helped to raise awareness and money through the incredible bake sale. **In total, you have helped to raise £275.** What an incredible community! Wow!



At Hyde Park School, we are proud to be a caring and inclusive community where every child is valued and supported. You may be aware that one of our pupils lives with Cystic Fibrosis, and we would like to take this opportunity to help our school community better understand the condition and the challenges it can bring.

Cystic Fibrosis is a genetic condition that affects the lungs and digestive system. It causes the body to produce thick, sticky mucus which can block airways, making it difficult to breathe and increasing the risk of lung infections. It can also affect how the body processes food, meaning many children with CF need extra support to stay healthy and maintain good nutrition.

For a child with CF, a typical day may include physiotherapy to help clear their lungs, taking medications and attending medical appointments. In school, we work closely with families and healthcare professionals to ensure pupils with CF have the support they need, whether that is access to medication, flexibility around physical activity or ensuring a clean and safe environment.

One of the most important ways we can support children with CF is through understanding and kindness. Simple actions such as good hand hygiene and covering coughs and sneezes can make a significant difference in protecting vulnerable pupils from infections.

We also know that children are naturally curious. Encouraging respectful conversations helps build empathy, understanding and inclusion. Our aim is to foster an

environment where all pupils feel safe, supported and able to thrive.

We would like to thank everyone who has supported our cake sales and fundraising efforts. Your generosity is helping to raise awareness and support the vital work of the Cystic Fibrosis Trust.

If you would like to find out more about Cystic Fibrosis or how you can support this important cause, please visit: www.cysticfibrosis.org.uk

Together, we can continue to build awareness, understanding and compassion within our school community, ensuring that every child, regardless of their health needs - feels happy, safe and included.

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University of Plymouth, Rolle Building
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June 5th
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Keller	Maeve
Nightingale	Teddy I
Potter	Olive
Rosen	Heidi
Astor	Beth
Coleman	Freya
Pankhurst	Daisy
Scott	Eva
Attenborough	April
Anning	Damir
Curie	Claire
Turing	Jayden
Hawking	Ivan
Gandhi	Harrison
Mandela	Mia
Tubman	Isaac A
Douglass	Lila
King	Alex
Seacole	Karlee

Nominations for being a Confident Learner

Keller	Barnaby
Nightingale	Zion
Potter	Isahaak
Rosen	Antonia
Astor	Ruby
Coleman	Jacob
Pankhurst	Davina
Scott	Holly
Attenborough	Nara
Anning	Harry
Curie	Teddy
Turing	Nathan
Hawking	Harrison
Gandhi	Daniel
Mandela	Felix
Tubman	Isaac H
Douglass	Leo
King	Olivia
Seacole	Sophia

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