



Dear Parents and Carers,

There is a definite Autumnal feel in the air now and we are adding to this in school by writing our Harvest Prayers on Autumn leaves. Please see below for the article on what we are collecting this year for our Harvest donations which will be given to the Epsom and Ewell Food Bank. This week's 'Big Question' is; **'Should we all become vegetarians?'** This also links into our collective worship theme of feeding the world, farming responsibly and being grateful for the food we have.

### **Spiritual Garden Competition**

Thank you to the many parents who have helped their children with a Spiritual Garden Competition entry, there are some brilliant 3D models, a detailed power point and several beautiful illustrations already submitted. The competition is open to children of all ages and the deadline for entries is next Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Attendance**

We are absolutely determined to avoid children missing school for any other reason than severe illness. Before COVID, our whole school attendance was around 97% at this time of year. This year it is 94%. This is because many children are missing lots of school for coughs and colds. There is no reason to keep your child off if they have a cough or cold, we are happy to administer Calpol (or any other medicine needed) with your permission. The classrooms are warm and dry unlike during COVID when we had to keep windows and doors open. Please do not keep your child off school for anything other than severe illnesses as missing even half a day at school can mean they miss important learning.

### **Open Day next week**

Please spread the word to potential parents out there that we are having an Open day on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October. This is a chance for people to have a tour around the school, hear a short talk from the Headteacher and then find out some useful information about school dinners/admissions/uniform etc.

### **Harvest Prayer**

I am finishing today with a lovely prayer written by a year 3 child:

*Dear Lord  
We ask for a lot of things I know  
But please can you help at harvest?  
Because some people don't have enough to eat  
And that is sad  
Please help us to help them have food  
Because that is good and you are good  
Amen*

**Ms Hannah Gray**  
**Acting Headteacher**

## Attendance



Class	Week Ending 09/09/22	Week Ending 16/09/22	Week Ending 23/09/22	Week Ending 30/09/22	Week Ending 07/10/22
Bumblebee	Starting next week full time	96.3%	96.7%	95.8%	95%
Ladybird	Starting next week full time	96.1%	93.3%	95%	91.4%
Hedgehog	93.20%	96.4%	92.25%	92.7%	86.6%
Squirrel	93.80%	96.8%	93.7%	96.3%	93.5%
Badger	90.20%	86.05%	87.8%	87.4%	86.95%
Fox	93.30%	89.65%	91.4%	97%	89.3%
Chestnut	97.20%	97.75%	96.5%	95%	92.2%
Oak	90.50%	92.1%	94.5%	92.4%	91.2%
Maple	95.60%	98.7%	96.2%	96.6%	94.4%
Eagle	96.60%	93.9%	98%	94%	93%
Hawk	97.60%	94.15%	93.2%	86.5%	83.2%
Kestrel	96.90%	95.8%	96%	93.9%	89.1%
<b>100 % Attendees</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>274</b>

### September attendance winner – MAPLE

Sadly, no class coming anywhere near our target of 97% this week. Please see above for reasons to keep our child off school. Please don't feel bad about sending your child in if they have a cough or cold – these illnesses are around us all the time and are not a reason for absence unless the child is severely unwell.

Mrs Gray  
Acting Headteacher

### Christian and Learning Values

Well done to the following children who received a values award this week:

**Commitment:** Tireni (Chestnut), Regan (Fox), Zhenya (Hedgehog), Junior (Oak), Daisy-Mae (Maple), Angela (Eagle)

**Reciprocity:** Callum (Kestrel)

**Reflectiveness:** Lyra (Hawk)

**Perseverance:** Declan (Hawk), Blake (Badger), Keaton (Badger), Isaac (Squirrel), Elouise (Squirrel)



## Upcoming Events

THESE ARE SOME OF THE DATES FOR THIS TERM

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Individual School Photos

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October – School Open Day

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Fireworks Gates Open 6pm Show at 7pm

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October – FOLT AGM

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Collection

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> December – Half Term

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October – FOLT Mufti Day (Crazy Hair Day)

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Advent Calendar Raffle Sale Opens

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fair



Top Classes this using TTRS over the whole year:

1<sup>st</sup> Eagle

2<sup>nd</sup> Oak

3<sup>rd</sup> Kestrel

Highest number of coins this Year

1<sup>st</sup> Ben

2<sup>nd</sup> Victor

3<sup>rd</sup> Macon V

Most improved studio speed this year

1<sup>st</sup> Mason P

2<sup>nd</sup> Samil

3<sup>rd</sup> Esmay

Numbots (Key Stage 1) – highest number of coins earned this year

1<sup>st</sup> Logan

2<sup>nd</sup> Oscar

3<sup>rd</sup> Arthur

Congratulations on passing the next stage of Numbots:

Tristan and Oscar

## Fine Diners Club



# Well Done!

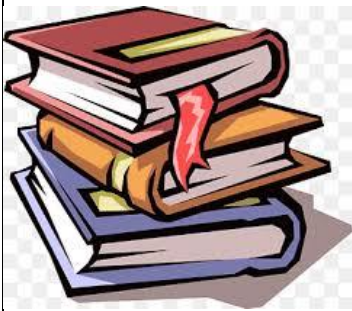


## Words of the Week

Vocabulary!

As a school, we have done lots of work with the children on developing their vocabulary. Each week we share our words of the week (linked to our topic and curriculum learning) and unpick what they mean. We use the word in different contexts, find synonyms, act them out, draw pictures and many more strategies to help us to remember them.

Developing children's vocabulary really impacts their speaking skills as well as their reading and writing. Listed below are next week's words of the week so you can discuss these with your children at home!



Miss Chiarh  
Assistant Headteacher

### Words of the week next week:-

**Year 5 and Year 6 –** Evacuation and Devour

**Year 3 and Year 4 –** Intestine and Incisor

**Year 1 and Year 2 –** Avatar and Tools

**Reception –** Vehicle and Swiftly

## Flu Immunisation

The Child and Family Health Surrey immunisation team is visiting our school on **MONDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2022** to deliver Influenza (flu) vaccinations via nasal spray. You should all have received an email with the instructions of how to give consent.

We understand that some may not have access to complete this form online, therefore we have arranged for the nurses to visit the school on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October from 2.45pm who will have a laptop available to help you complete the online consent form plus answer and questions about the vaccination.

The nurses will be in the Forest classroom (inside KS2 playground), if you come before pick up time, please come to the school office.

You can find out further information about this vaccine at the following link:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/1087835/UKHSA-12388-protecting-your-child-against-flu-2022-2023.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1087835/UKHSA-12388-protecting-your-child-against-flu-2022-2023.pdf)



# Harvest Collection

This year, the Harvest Collection at Leatherhead Trinity will be for Epsom and Ewell Foodbank, which has supported our families over the years. We would be very grateful for any of the items below, as some of their stocks are extremely low.

We understand that some families are not in a position to be able to donate, we are grateful for any items that are given to them.

They have requested that students to donate items from the list below. They are unable to take any other items. Items should be well in date, sealed, and not contain alcohol.



1. Tinned tomatoes
2. Custard
3. Noodles
4. Pasta sauce
5. Rice
6. Tinned fruit
7. Tinned fish
8. Tinned sweetcorn
9. Biscuits
10. Tea bags



11. Tinned soup
12. Tinned meat – meatballs, minced beef, stewing steak etc (not corned beef)
13. Long-life sponge puddings
14. Powdered milk
15. Tea bags
16. Chocolate spread
17. Shampoo/Conditioner
18. Male/female deodorant
19. Chocolate/sweet treats

Please bring these items to the school before **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October**. Items should be brought to the office or given to your child's class teacher.

*Thank You!*





## HAWK CLASS LEARNING

### Literacy

In literacy, we have finished our unit on setting descriptions where we used our knowledge of the trenches in the First World War to describe the horrific setting. We used a range of features to ensure our writing was successful: ambitious vocabulary, figurative language and varied sentence structure. The final drafts were both descriptive and moving.

### Science

This half term, our unit is light. We have learnt how light travels in a straight line and looked at how light can be reflected by learning about the laws of reflection. From our understanding, we were able to make our own periscopes which linked in well with our learning about WWI. This week we looked at how shadows are formed. We used the torches to investigate how shadows change size depending on the distance.



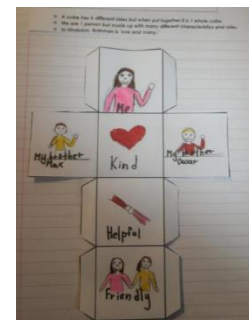
### History

The whole of the Autumn term we look at the WWI and WWII. We really enjoyed our trip to the Imperial War museum and it was a great way to immerse us in the topic. In lessons we have looked at the start of WWI. We created trench models in DT and sketched landscapes in art. Last week we looked at the Blitz and wrote speeches persuading people to support the war effort. This week, we had Mrs Deacon come in to talk about her family history and links to both the first and second world war.



### Religious Education

In RE, this half term, we are looking at the religion of Hinduism. We looked at Brahman who is shown in many forms but is the one supreme God. We looked at how we are one person with many different roles and characteristics. We also looked at murtis (images of gods) and their symbolism. We created our own murti to represent the things that are important to us.



## Children's Wellbeing Parent Workshops

YMCA East Surrey's Community Wellbeing Team has organised free, online parent workshops for parents. These workshops will be held on Zoom and are suitable for parents with children aged 8+. The Community Wellbeing team will provide you with information and key strategies to support your child. There will also be time for you to ask any questions that you have via the online chat function. Each workshop runs once a month.

### **Understanding, expressing and managing emotions**

Wednesday 12 October | 18:30 – 19:30

Wednesday 9 November | 18:30 – 19:30

Wednesday 14 December | 18:30 – 19:30

[Book your free place here](#)

### **Talking to your child and supporting them to cope with worries**

Wednesday 28 September | 18:30 – 19:30

Wednesday 26 October | 18:30 – 19:30

Wednesday 23 November | 18:30 – 19:30

[Book your free place here](#)

If you have any questions about these events, please email them

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Proud to be part of  
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The children and young people's emotional wellbeing and mental health service

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[\*\*www.ymcaeast Surrey.org.uk/parent-workshops/\*\*](http://www.ymcaeast Surrey.org.uk/parent-workshops/)

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