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NEWS

Flu Vaccines- Letters were emailed out to parents of all children from Reception to year 6, last week with information about this years flu vaccination. The closing date for consent or refusal has been extended, please could all parents complete the electronic consent from by 27th October 2019, even if you **do not** wish for your child to have the vaccination. You can access the secure consent portal via the following link: <https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2019/devon>

Annual Consent forms- Just a reminder to all parents that the annual consent forms that were sent out on 5th September need to be returned to your child's class teacher by this Thursday(19th).

Attendance – As you are aware we are constantly monitoring the attendance of our children. The Governors have set our target for the end of this year at 97% (the national target is 96%). Our whole school percentage for the first two weeks of term, stands at 95.36%. Please help us to reach our target by not allowing your child to miss school unless there really is an exceptional or unavoidable reason.

Aldi's Kit for Schools- From 6th September, Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school. What's more, every school who enters by completing their Aldi's Kit for Schools poster will also receive an exclusive school sports kit! Collect a sticker with every £30 spent in store and fill up your school's poster for a chance to win. More in formation can be found on the Aldi website

<https://www.aldi.co.uk/kitforschools> All stickers collected can be handed in to the school office.

Contact details- Please remember to update the office with your contact details if you have moved house or changed your mobile phone over the summer holidays. It is vitally important and your responsibility to ensure that we have the correct contact details for you. We should have the contact details for at least 2 people for each child.

Learner of the week



FSDB Matthew
FSG Cooper
1BA Blain
1P Toby
2D Riley
2P Lexi
3E Oaklee
3P Nicola
4C Alfie
4E Aemilia
5F Christian
5S Noah
6H Thomas
6W Cameron

Lunchtime Behaviour



FSDB Sophia
FSG Lola
1BA Emily
1P Riley
2D Esmae
2P Kaitlyn
3E Heidi
3P Miley
4C Nathan
4E Henri
5F Darcy F
5S Preston
6H Lauren
6W Summer

Best Attendance

2D – 100%



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Diary Dates



International Languages Day-
26th September

Term Dates



Autumn Half Term
Monday 21st October –
Friday 25th October

Last Day of Autumn Term
Wednesday 18th December

First Day of Spring Term
Monday 6th January 2020

Spring Half Term
Monday 17th February-
Friday 21st February

Last Day of Spring Term
Friday 27th March

Theatre Alibi

Believe in Unicorns is a book that was written by Michael Morpurgo in 2006. It is about the power of books and the imagination. Set in Slovenia during a troubled period in its recent history, it shows the value of stories in children's lives as a way of understanding the world and developing empathy. Theatre Alibi came to HPS and really brought this story to life. Children from Reception to Year 6 were captivated by the acting, music, set and puppetry. The play centres around Tomas and his family. Tomas doesn't want to go to the library in the holidays, but when he does the Unicorn Lady (sitting on her model unicorn) retells stories in such a fantastic way that he is hooked. Tomas takes his friends along and all the children enjoy listening to her. She encourages them to sit on the model unicorn and retell stories themselves. One day she takes out a charred book and reads them the story of "The Little Match girl". She goes on to tell the children her own life story, explaining how soldiers had come to her country and that books were burnt, but her father saved this one book "The Little Match Girl" from the flames as he had loved it so much. Tomas reads the story himself and is struck by the sadness. He shares it with his parents and, when tragedy strikes their village and the library is on fire, the community rush to save the books and each keep them safe in their houses until they are able to rebuild the library. Tomas realises that books can help us to get through difficult times and that he absolutely believes in unicorns - which represents the power of imagination and the need for stories in our lives.



Here are some year 2 children with the work that they produced in response to the show. They wrote about their favourite part of the show and drew a picture.

Wanted

Do you have any spare wool? If so please could you bring it in and give it to Miss Pearson for her French Knitting club. Many thanks

