



HANDSWORTH NEWS

BRANCHING OUT, GROWING TALL
HAND IN HAND, ONE AND ALL



Handsworth
Primary School

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends.

At the beginning of this week all children watched our assembly about racism. We were so proud of the children and how they listened and took part. Some of the questions children asked were very interesting and we are looking forward to approaching these and following up with answers next week. Please see the next page in this newsletter for more information regarding our Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Working Party.

Your child's report will be available for you to view from 5 pm today, please email school if you have any issues and we will be able to help you.

After the England win on Wednesday, I had a visit from some Year 6 children who presented me with a persuasive letter. They asked if we can celebrate on Monday by wearing football shirts if we win. We discussed how we should celebrate no matter what the result as we are proud of the team. The children then recognised that some children may want to wear the colours from another country as they may have strong connections. Therefore, we decided that on Monday, all children will be able to **wear a coloured accessory or top** to celebrate the end of the Euros. It has been a wonderful occasion and deserves recognition.

I would like to apologise for some incorrect communications that have been sent out recently, I am sorry for the inconvenience it has caused, recent times are certainly starting to get to us and mistakes have been made.

Thank you all so much for your support, it really means a lot to us. We count ourselves lucky to be able to teach you wonderful children and they keep us smiling!

I wish you all a wonderful weekend,
Mrs Nairne



Click on either picture to see
more Sports Day photos!



Anti-Racism

What we are
doing at
Handsworth

What you learn.

Your teachers are working hard to make sure that the lessons you learn reflect ALL the children in our school.

Training for the teachers

We talk to you a lot about how we are all learners. All the adults in our school are having training to help us understand race and racism better and to make sure that Handsworth is an Anti-racist school.

Being a safe space.

Your teachers are making sure that they can be a safe space for you to go if people are saying or doing things that are racist or make you feel uncomfortable.

Communication

We are committed to communicating with the whole community about the importance of tackling racism and how we can all work together to improve.

We talk about race.

At Handsworth we believe it is important to talk about race and the fact that people have different experiences.

You have a voice

We want you to tell us how you feel. We will always listen to you and act on what you say. Who are the grown ups in school you can talk to?

In last week's newsletter we discussed our commitment and dedication towards becoming an anti-racist school. This week, the children have watched an assembly in which we explained the importance of what we are doing here. The information above was shared with all children and we talked about how we are all learning and how we are all listening. Thank you for your support and for discussing this with your children at home. **We will continue to work together.** Next week we will share another assembly where we address concerns or issues. The children has so many comments and questions! They so desperately want to understand and learn more. Children must not be afraid to ask questions and we must not feel uncomfortable discussing race. Everyone in our school community deserves to feel **happy, cared for and safe** and that will always be our number one priority.



Staff, Parents, Carers and Children working together

EQUALITY DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Handsworth Primary school

WORKING PARTY

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Working Party

Why are
people
racist?

Is there a way
we can
help to stop
racism?

Sometimes people
get my name wrong,
what should I do?

We would like to invite parents and carers to be part of our EDI Working Party. The working party was established last year and have been meeting regularly, we would like to include the whole community. Please email the school office if you are interested.

Dear Mrs Nairn,

We would love to be able to come into school on Monday on an England jersey (if we win, of course!) England have not been to a major final in 55 years and the England kit is so cool. We are really excited and think England deserve a big celebration for how far they've come.

Football inspires us to push our teammates and be the best they have. We all stand together for our teams. Right and there the same things we don't like about race: We love each other all the same, and always will.

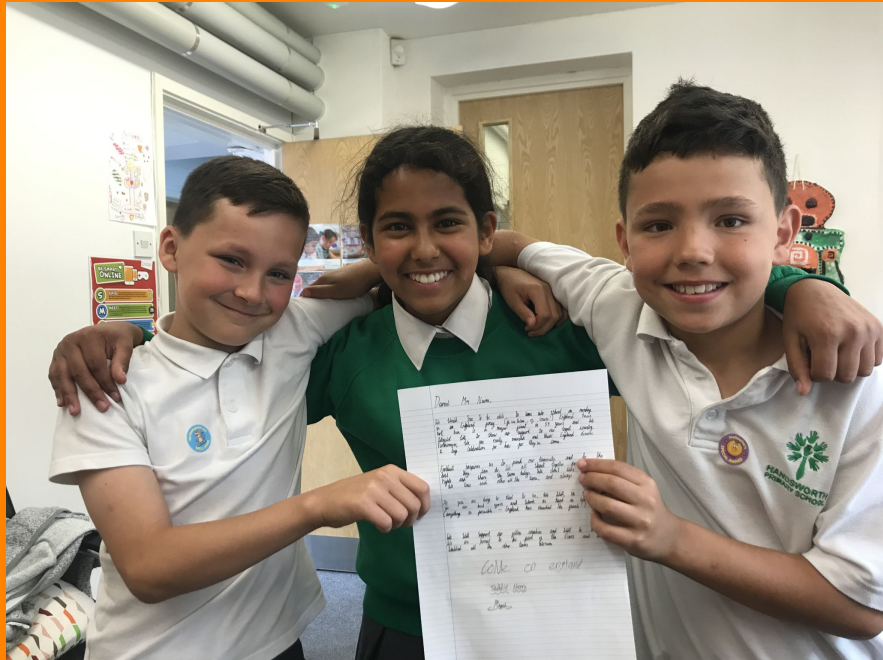
As you are being so kind to us, we will in return put on our best efforts and work as hard as we can. (Anything is possible - England has reached the finals!)

We will support our fellow scottish and will to the end. We are proud to be part of the Euros and have watched all the other teams play.

Come on England

Teddie Henry

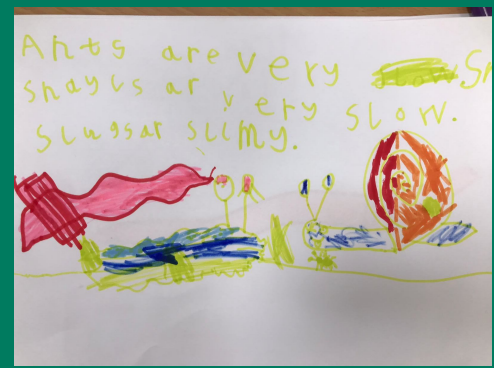
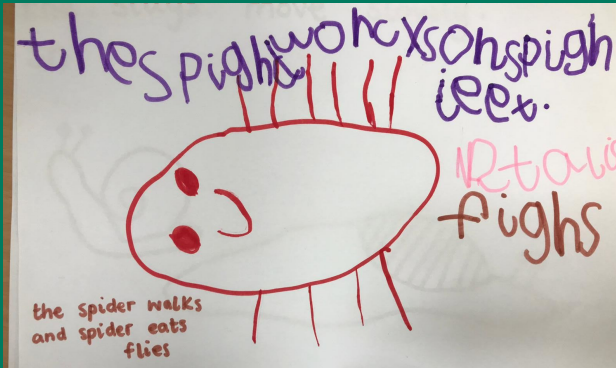
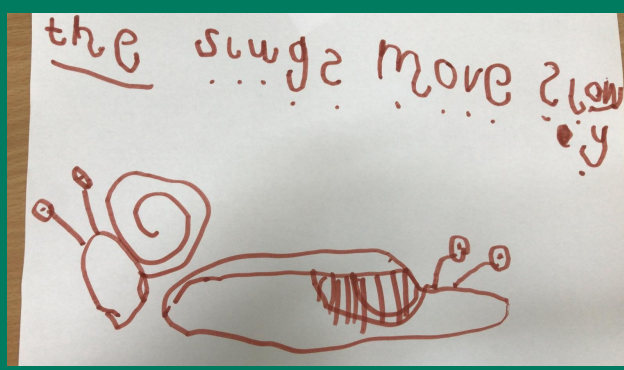
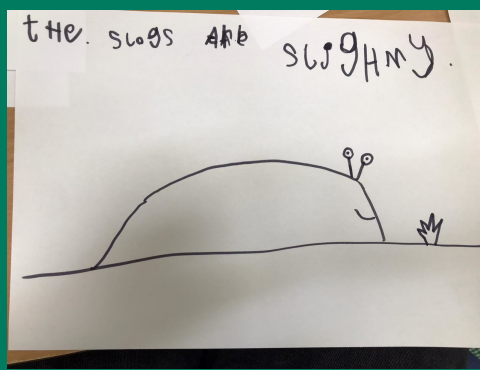
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Reception's first class trip!
 Reception class went to Epping Forest where we learned about different types of minibeasts and used our senses to explore the forest. Thanks so much to the parents who helped us.



Reception have been writing about the minibeasts they saw in the forest yesterday.



Appearance: What does it look like? A whale is a mammal. A whale has a blowhole to breathe and it jumps out of the water. Sugar water.

Habitat: Where does it live? Whales live under the water and at some times they jump out. Whales live everywhere in the ocean.

Diet: What does it eat? They eat tiny fish and shrimp. Some whales eat water.

Some interesting facts: A whale's eyes are protected from the sun by a clear layer of film, which covers its eyeballs.

Appearance: What does it look like? A whale looks like a big animal on its skin. A whale has suck marks on its back. All whales are different colors.

Habitat: Where does it live? Whales live in the 5 oceans. In the winter, whales swim into the warm water.

Diet: What does it eat? Some whales eat Krill. Some whales eat squid. Killer whales eat other whales. AS a whale eats a baleen whale.

Some interesting facts: Some whales eat baleen. Whales filter their food with their baleen.

Appearance: What does it look like? Whales have large heads that stick out. Whales don't stay in one place. They move around a lot. Whales can live all around the world and they live in salty water. Whales have a strong sense of smell. Whales can smell a whale's body.

Habitat: Where does it live? Whales live in the ocean. Whales live in salty water because the sea is salty. Whales can swim in the ocean.

Diet: What does it eat? Whales eat a lot of fish. Whales eat a lot of squid. Whales eat a lot of krill. Whales eat a lot of squid. Whales eat a lot of krill. Whales eat a lot of squid.

Year 1 have been writing about whales! Some really interesting information here!



Friends

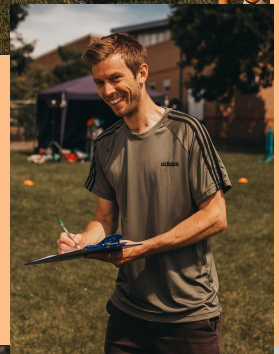


We rise by
lifting others!
Handsworth





It's not just the children who love Sports Day!
Thank you to the Handsworth Team for making it so special for our children.



FOREST SCHOOL

We are so pleased we can do this again!



Thank you Miss Walter and Dale!

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END OF YEAR REPORTS

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FROM 5 PM**

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The purpose of Star of the Week is for us to have the opportunity to celebrate every child in our community specifically. We encourage everyone to celebrate what is wonderful about that child. Children do not need to do anything to earn Star of the Week – each child deserves it and they will each get a turn.

If your child is Star of the Week we encourage you to ask them to repeat to you some of the positive statements their classmates and teachers make about them and add your own!