HANDSWORTH NEWS

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



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

We have all enjoyed our Marvellous Maths week, it was so good to see the children working together on mathematical puzzles and problem solving as a team.

The children are enjoying Times Tables Rock Stars! We have been celebrating their achievements and have seen huge improvements in the children's scores. Our Maths team are currently analysing the information from the parent survey and we will be informing you of our next steps in the Spring term. Thank you all so much for your responses to our parent surveys, they really do help us to further understand how things are for you.

Miss Addai's office is now getting full with items for the Food Bank, it is so important to think of others. This morning I had a flurry of persuasive letters from Year 3 explaining the importance of collecting for the Food Bank all year round and not just at this time of year! So watch this space... They said we need to think about the **cans** and not the **can'ts**. I certainly agree with that!

What a wonderful day we have all had today in our bright, sparkly jumpers! Christmas dinner was delicious and we are definitely getting into the festive spirit in school!

I would like to remind you that school finishes an hour earlier for everyone next Friday and KS2 parents are invited to watch carols in the playground from 1.45pm. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be singing their song in the large hall. We will be asking all parents who are watching the performances to wear a face mask. We also advise that you do a Lateral FLow test before attending too. Please see the next page for dates and times of your child's performance.

I hope those of you who are attending the quiz night tonight have fun. Thank you once again Friends of Handsworth for providing these opportunities for our school community. We really appreciate what you do!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Nairne

Congratulations to Gabriel and Erin who received Commander's Commendations from the Met Police for supporting their mum and dad in work during the height of the pandemic.

Well done to you both. We know you are so proud of what your parents did during the lockdowns and we know they continue to work hard for others. It is important we acknowledge all those in our community who worked tirelessly during the pandemic and continue to do so. A massive thank you to you all from the Handsworth community.

> "Not all heroes wear capes." You are our heroes!





Biggest improvement in accuracy across KS2!

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HANDSWORTH'S TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

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We were so impressed with the beautiful artwork that Charlie produced as part of the Year 6 Ancient Greek History Project





Nursery - 14th December 9.00am in the nursery garden Reception - 14th December 2.30pm in the hall Year 1 - 15th December 2.45pm in the hall Year 2 - 16th December 2.45pm in the hall Key Stage 2 - 17th December 1.45pm in the playground





Isla, Albert and the rest of Year 3 are highlighting the importance of collecting for the Food Bank all year round! Our children know the importance of looking after others and doing all we can for our community. We certainly have some future leaders in our school!



Karl is a performance poet & rapper who came and led workshops with Years 5 &6 today. The children loved it!



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Some recent non-chronological reports on European Dragons by Year 3







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. The stars also have the opportunity to have a tea with Mrs Nairne and Ms Addai.

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!