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Issue 1

Autumn Term

# NEWSLETTER

St John's Highbury Vale C. of E. Primary School

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The class with the best attendance last week at 100% was

## Reception class



Thank you to everyone who arrived at school on time. Prompt pupil arrivals play a vital role reducing contact between bubble groups and allowing us to operate safely.

### Second Week of Term

This week we welcomed the first children from the new Reception class into school. The children spent the morning familiarising themselves with their new and exciting learning environment and meeting the Reception staff team. Later they tucked into a delicious school lunch and then finished the day with a story. We are looking forward to meeting the rest of the children over the next few weeks. Thank you to all parents who have booked their parent evening slots for next Wednesday or Thursday. Details of how to access the virtual appointments will be emailed out to parents next week. Mrs Shaw, Head of School

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is also back up and running! Breakfast club is available from 8am every day Monday through to Friday. After arriving, the children will eat breakfast at their allocated table. Once they have finished eating they are free to participate in seated activities such as games, puzzles, drawing, reading or writing. Breakfast club services must be pre-booked. If you would like your child/children to attend breakfast club next week (commencing 21st September), please complete the form via the link:

<https://forms.gle/1DDqj6UxcCodaN4B9>

### After School Clubs

We are delighted to be in a position to allow after school clubs to begin again from next week. A letter was sent out on Tuesday listing the clubs that would be available. The booking system on ParentPay went live on Wednesday afternoon and many clubs are already full! Please contact the school office if you would like to know any further details. In line with the school's risk assessment, after school clubs have been organised within bubble groups. All clubs will finish at 4.30 pm.

#### Reminders:

Elizabeth House will not be picking up children after clubs at 4.30 pm. Please ensure that you are on time to collect your child.

You must come to the school (by playground gate) to collect your child, we will not allow them out of the school grounds to meet parents/carers at the end of the street due to safeguarding.

Children in Y5 and Y6 may go home by themselves with written permission from parents.

## Recent Events

Take a look at all of the wonderful learning that has been happening at school this week!

### Reception

We have been having lots of fun in Reception Class this week! We have been making potions, racing cars, painting and making new friends. We can't wait to meet more of you next week!



## Year 1

This week Year 1 began their maths activities on Place Value. We looked at sorting objects, counting them and matching numbers to the amount of objects. They really enjoyed doing a variety of activities to help with their understanding.



## Year 2

Year 2 have been exploring how we can deal with worries.

We read the book 'The huge bag of worries' and learned that if we are worried about something, we should share our worries with a grown up.



## Year 3 and Year 4



Last Friday, the Year 3 & Year 4 bubble had a wonderful sunny autumn sports day afternoon. The children took part in a series of sporting events this included an egg and spoon race, relay race, running, bean bag throwing and a hopping race. The children were delighted to take part and showed great resilience, teamwork, competitiveness and enthusiasm. The yellow team were victorious winning the autumn term sports day. Well done everyone!



## Year 5

We have begun to make a start on our Drama ready for the impending Year 5 Shakespeare performance this week. We've seen some fabulous performances so far and loved exploring the story of Macbeth and Othello.



## Year 6

This week we have really enjoyed learning about WW2. We have discovered how and why it started and which countries were involved.

Our class text this half term is *Goodnight Mister Tom* by Michelle Magorian which is set during WW2. The children are really interested in what will happen to the characters.

