

Head's Welcome

Sometimes I just have to stop and marvel at the sheer range and volume of activities going on in school! Last night, I had a wonderful time dancing with the children in their party clothes at the school disco, and they have all looked fabulous in their festive wear today as we start the count down to Christmas! Years 3, 4 and 5 have been practising their performances for the end of term, while the Year 6 children have been immersing themselves in their sculpture creations to represent "Childhood" and an intra-class sports competition. In Year 3, the children have carried out a number of experiments involving light and the Year 4 pupils have learnt from some Year 5 pupils about their personal experiences celebrating Diwali. Our Year 6 leaders are taking on more responsibility with our Sports Leaders running games at lunchtimes; the Science Leaders setting up lots of fun experiments in Science Club; the Maths Champions playing maths games with children in younger classes to help them improve their fluency; and the Family Leaders and Role Models have begun monitoring the corridors at lunchtimes, to ensure that everyone is outside in the fresh air! Year 4 have been digging the pond in the Eco Garden and 5W have been having a great time in Forest Schools, despite the cold weather! On top of all this, everyone has also completed end of term assessments! Busy school life as ever!

Well done to the School Council



In total, the events the School Council organised **raised £748** for Children in Need. Thank you to everyone who contributed.



The Family Trophy



Henshaw are still ahead at the end of week 5.



Headteacher's Awards



Well done to :

Sophie for her improvement in writing this year

Well done to the TTRS winners:



Week 1 Top 3 most improved:

3rd– **Henry (Y4)** 2nd– **Penelope (Y3)**
1st–**Sam (Y4)**

Week 2 Top 3 most improved:

3rd– **Arabella (Y4);** 2nd– **Eric (Y4);**
1st–**Guy (Y4)**

Huge congratulations to **Ayaan** in Y6 who has beaten Aydin's long-held record of the fastest speed in TTRS. **Ayaan** has a studio speed of 0.52 seconds! Wow!

Well done to Hursthead's three most valuable players in the TTRS England

Rocks tournament:

3rd– **Alice in Y5;** 2nd– **Luke in Y4;**
1st–**Ayaan in Y6**



Golden Broom Award



Week one– **5W**

Week two– **6T**

Well done!

Well done to the Sports Leaders Superstars:



Year 3– **Jack and Max**
Year 4– **William and Sam**
Year 5– **Jackson and Erin**
Year 6–**Hettie**



Well done to 6M



They had the winning team in the Year 6 Intra-Class Sports Competition!





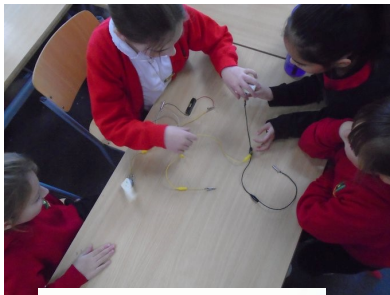
Learning about Diwali in Year 4 from our Hindu pupils in Year 5



Creating sculptures in Year 6



Having fun at Science Club!



Creating music using algorithms and coding in Year 4



Enjoying Forest Schools sessions in Year 5!



Working hard in our Eco Garden



Looking festive on Christmas Jumper Day!