



HUNSBURY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER October 2022



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER



Dear Parents/Carers,

What a first half term of the year!!

When Senior Leaders and I planned this term, we did not anticipate being able to fit in all the amazing activities that have taken place during Autumn 1. This term several trips have taken place (despite the minibus breaking down), inspirational speakers have been in school, extracurricular activities have taken place, Forest School continues across the school and charity events have been held - all additional to the day-to-day learning that has taken place.

In class this half term it has been pleasing to see how seamlessly the children have returned to learning expectations, particularly the way in which children have embraced our school passion for reading. Homework continues to play a big part in school life and I am pleased to note that engagement in homework is continuously improving - so thank you for your support.

Additionally, as a school, we had the pleasure of participating in two school inspections from Ofsted and IQM. Both processes were conducted fairly, rigorously and in significant detail, however, we feel that the outcomes truly reflect our 'school journey' and I look forward to sharing the outcomes of these inspections in due course.

On a personal note, I would like to thank everyone for my birthday celebrations, it was a wonderful surprise and I truly appreciated it.

Finally, I hope you all have a restful half term and please look out for our extended day offer (see Mrs Burt's feature in this newsletter) on Wednesdays after half term - this will be a great way to extend our children's learning opportunities.

Regards

Mr York



MATHS

Maths at Hunsbury Park continues to be an area of enjoyment and we want to work in partnership with you to share that fun factor at home.

All children have access to Times Tables Rockstars and Numbots. Both are a fun, free and enjoyable way for children to learn their times tables and number bonds.

Many children have shown significant improvements due to the extra time and dedication they are putting in to these resources. During our weekly celebration assemblies, children are rewarded for their participation and effort on these apps with certificates and prizes. Keep an eye out for our half termly winners and prizes before we break for half term!

Please continue to support your child's learning at home with this online provision and we hope to see many more names on our leader boards. Ensure you contact your class teacher if you require your log in details.

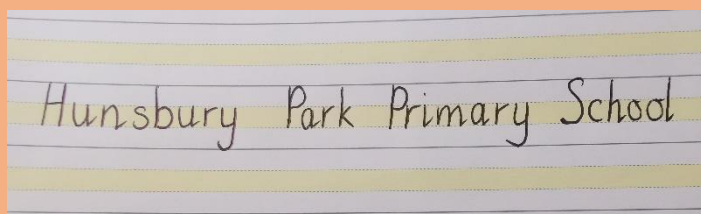
Mr Dyson
Assistant Headteacher



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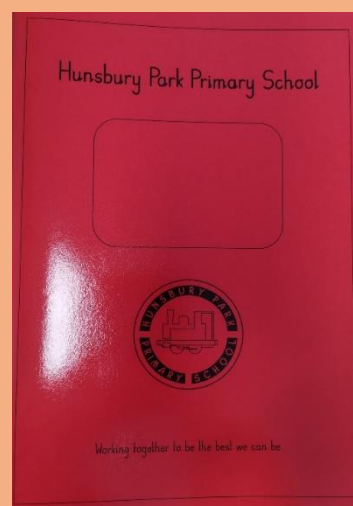
This year, we have some new English exercise books. We are very proud of them and have designed them to help the children with their writing. They have been especially printed for our school with our name and logo on the front. They have the marking code printed on the inside front cover to support the children with how they need to improve their writing. They have the Common Exception words for their phase printed on the inside back cover so they can refer to them and use them in any English lesson.

The biggest change though, is that they have yellow spaces to help our children size their letters correctly. We have already seen a massive improvement in children's handwriting and staff are also able to model this on our new matching yellow lined flipchart paper as well.



If you would like to know more or perhaps get a photocopy of this paper to help your child practise at home, please speak to your child's class teacher.

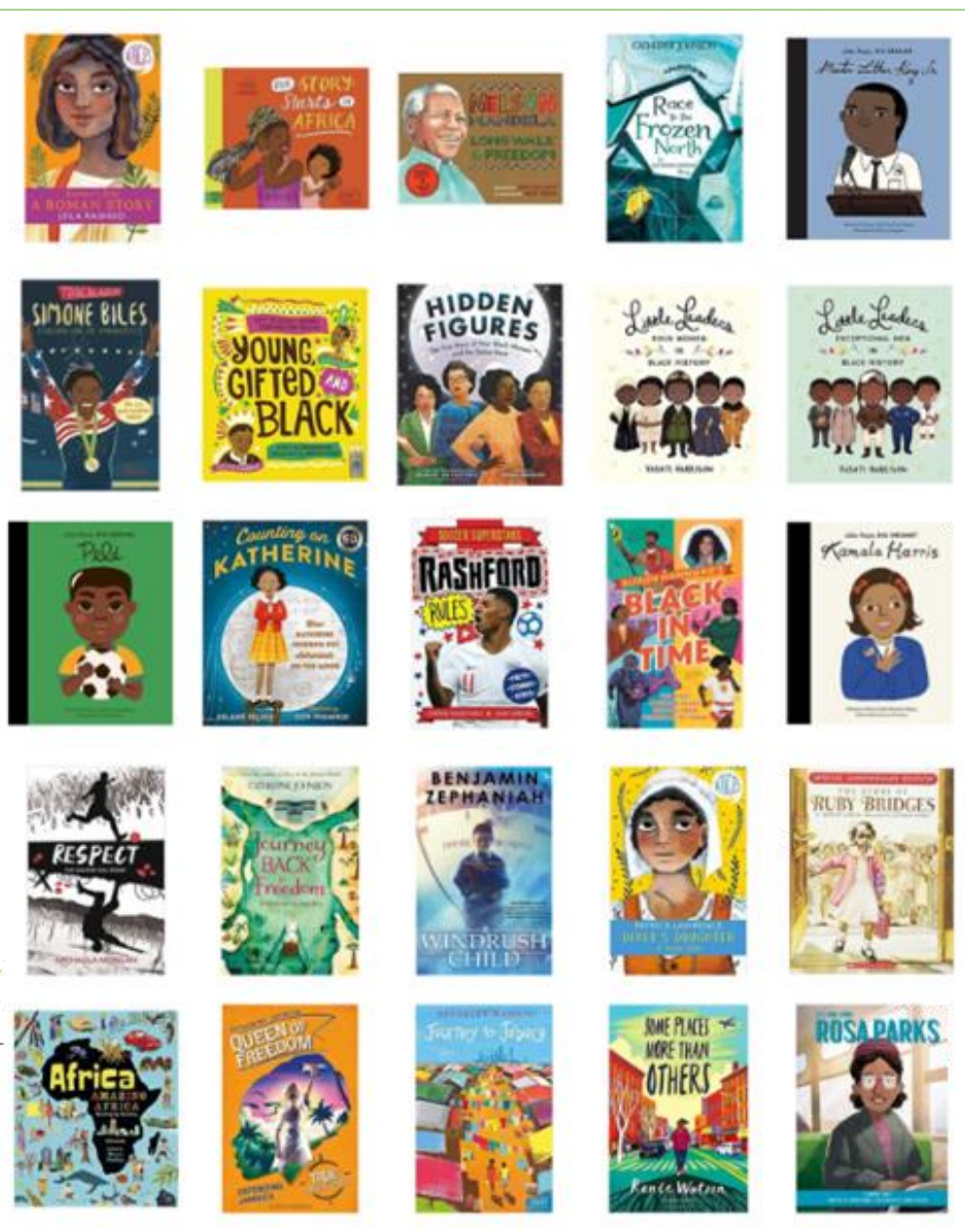
Mrs Sinclair
Assistant Headteacher



READING

As well as our diverse literacy spine and curriculum, which include all protective characteristics, we have also been involved with 'Black History Month' this term. If you would like to continue to learn more about this at home, here are some recommended reads.

Miss Paine
Assistant Headteacher



ABSENCE REPORTING

If you need to report your child absent from school, please use the following methods:-

1. Leave a voice message on the school absence line by calling 01604 761566, Option 1.
2. Leave a message via Parentmail.
3. Email office@hunsburypark.org
4. Call the School Office on 01604 761566, Option 2, to speak to a member of staff.

**PLEASE DO NOT MESSAGE YOUR CHILD'S
TEACHER VIA DOJO TO REPORT AN
ABSENCE.**

SICKNESS PROCEDURE

Please note that if your child is absent from school due to diarrhoea and/or vomiting, they will need to be off school for 48 hours.

This 48 hour period can only begin from the last time that they were sick.

This procedure is in place to prevent and control the spread of any illness in the classroom and around the school.



HALLOWEEN DINNER SPECIAL

Monday 31st October 2022



Remember to book your child's meal online for our special Halloween dinner.

This is on the first day back after the half term and can be booked now via Parentmail.

The menu will be:-

Spooky Spaghetti with Eyeballs (Pork Meatballs)

'Mummy Wrapped Up' (Ham Wrap with Witches Fingers (Carrot & Cucumber Sticks)

Monster Mash - Potato Skins Filled With Cheese & Onion or Beans

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Frankenstein Biscuit For Dessert



EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

At Hunsbury Park, we are proud of our extra-curricular offer to ensure we are enriching experiences and raising aspirations for our young children.



Alongside our whole school priority to develop children's love for reading and also to raise attainment and progress in reading outcomes, we will be running a **FREE** reading club on a **WEDNESDAY AFTERSCHOOL, 3.30pm - 4.30pm** for ALL children across the school.

Please see below the clubs we will be offering after October half term. These clubs will be ran by your child's class teacher and children will complete this club in their classroom. The clubs will run for 7 weeks from **Wednesday 2nd November to Wednesday 14th December**.

Day	Activity	Staff	Pupils	Room	Collection Point	Start time	End time
Wednesday	Early Reading	EYFS teachers	EYFS	Classroom	Classroom door	3:30pm	4:30pm
Wednesday	Phonics	Year 1/2 teachers	Y1/2	Classroom	Classroom door	3:30pm	4:30pm
Wednesday	Reading Comprehension	Year 3/4 teachers	Y3/4	Classroom	Classroom door	3:30pm	4:30pm
Wednesday	Reading Comprehension	Year 5/6 teachers	Y5	Classroom	Classroom door	3:30pm	4:30pm
Wednesday	SATS Booster	Year 5/6 teachers	Y6	Classroom	Classroom door	3:30pm	4:30pm

Extra-curricular provision: enriching experiences and raising aspirations for our young children



We are proud to announce that we are now fully OFSTED Registered and as a result of this, we are able to accept all types of childcare vouchers and the government tax-free scheme as payment for our services.

This is something we have been working on for some time that will hopefully allow even more people to join us at our amazing Holiday Camps.

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for any of our Camps throughout the year, please head to our website.

Rhinosportsacademy.co.uk/camps

Select the camp activity and dates you desire and your good to go.

NEED SOME HELP REGISTERING?

If you are experiencing any difficulties registering your child for one of our clubs or camps please don't hesitate to get in contact with one of the team who will be more than happy to help.



Phone: 07894 713006

Email: enquiries.rhinosportsacademy.co.uk



OCTOBER CAMP



MULTISPORTS

GYMNASTICS

PERFORMING ARTS

RHINOSPORTSACADEMY.CO.UK/CAMPS

We are pleased to announce Rhino Sports Academy Camps will be held at two different venues this October. Blisworth Primary School and Hunsbury Park Primary School

Here is some more information on what each activity will include on the day. We encourage children to try out new experiences and if on the day your child wants to swap over and do something different that is no problem at all.

MULTISPORTS

At a Rhino multisport camp, every child spends a portion of their day participating in each of the sports on offer. They will learn the rules of the game plus new skills and new techniques for the first part before moving on to match play and games for the latter part.

Our Multisport Camps are a great way for children to enjoy some sporting variety and encourage participation in new sports for those still looking to find out which sport they enjoy the most.

Our coaches are all passionate about healthy competition and about exploring the fun and excitement that playing sport can bring. Prizes will be awarded for effort and excellence shown throughout the day.



PERFORMING ARTS

Rhino Dramatics and Rhino Dance are coming together to offer something special to those who love to explore their expression and will learn new ways of using voice and body and naturally build up their confidence whilst having heaps of fun in the process.

Every child will spend their day learning, devising and performing different areas of Dance & Drama with experienced and passionate coaches. We will focus on learning new techniques creating new work and promoting confidence in performance making our performing arts camp fun and engaging for all involved.

Prizes will be awarded for effort and excellence shown throughout the day.

GYMNASTICS

Our new Gymnastics Camp will cover a number of areas including rocking and rolling, shapes, travelling, jumps and landings and pupils will be taught a range of high-quality gymnastics skills.

The confidence and enthusiasm of our coaches will inspire all that take part to succeed and take pride in their achievements.

BLISWORTH CAMP

24th-28th October

Blisworth Primary School, Courteenhall Road, Northampton NN7 3DD

Multisports Camp
Full Week - \$100
Full Day - \$25
Half Day - \$12.50

Performing Arts Camp
Full Week - \$100
Full Day - \$25
Half Day - \$12.50

HUNSBURY PARK CAMP

24th-28th October

Hunsbury Park Primary School, Dayrell Road, Northampton NN4 9RR

Multisports Camp
Full Week - \$100
Full Day - \$25
Half Day - \$12.50

New Gymnastics Camp
Full Week - \$100
Full Day - \$25
Half Day - \$12.50

THE RHINO SHOP

Order your Rhino clothing from our online store



visit: rhinosportsacademy.co.uk/shop

Autumn Activity Ideas

Autumn photo idea



One photo for every autumn.



Cardboard roll people with leaves and sticks.



Leaf bowls

Photo explains the method, all you need is balloons, leaves and mod podge glue.



Autumn leaf collages

Leaf outlines stuck on to clear contact and pieces of tissue paper placed in the middle.



Leaf prints!

Paint on one side of a leaf, place on a piece of paper and peel off slowly.



Dried Autumn leaves

(or cardboard cutouts) decorated with crumpled up balls of tissue paper.



Amy-Lee and Sam at Bubble Kids.
<https://www.facebook.com/BubbleKids12>

10 Amazing Autumn Activities

1



Autumn Strolls

The days may be getting shorter and the weather chillier, but autumn is the perfect time to venture outside with the family. So wrap up warm and explore some of the region's best parks and woodlands (and best of all – it's **FREE**).

2



Arty Autumn Crafts

Don't forget to collect pine cones, leaves and fallen twigs during your outdoor adventures to use in an art project when you get home. Make a colourful leaf collage, try your hand at leaf rubbing or make an acorn animal. For more creative ideas, such as making a mini-scarecrow or leaf bunting, take a look at www.activityvillage.co.uk/autumn-crafts.

3



Go Bonkers with Conkers

Visit a local park or woodland where there are horse chestnut trees and collect the best conkers you can find. Peel back the prickly shell, make a hole through the middle, thread with string and let the battle commence!

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Get the Garden Ready

Spring might seem a long way off but there is nothing nicer on a fresh autumn weekend than spending a few hours in the garden digging holes with your children and popping in some bulbs. There are loads of easy to grow plants and October is the month for planting ones that will flower the following spring. So grab your bulbs and trowel, find a patch of soil and get planting.



6



Wacky Races at the Beach

Our coastline is beautiful all year round so have fun collecting shells, plodding in the sea (in wellies) and building sand castles. To keep warm, organise the family in a game of Wacky Races; challenge the children to run across the sand in different ways – backwards, side steps, hopping, jumping or giant strides.

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Puddle Jumping

"There's no such thing as bad weather, only bad clothes." With that in mind, wrap up warm, pull on your wellies, grab an umbrella and venture outside. Have lots of fun jumping in (muddy!) puddles and running through the rain before heading home for a hot chocolate and a warm bath.

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Cook Up Halloween Treats

Halloween themed foodie treats are great fun to prepare (and eat!) and most are easy to make so even the littlest kitchen helper will be able to join in. 'Mummy Pizzas', 'Ghostly Strawberries' and 'Witches Hat Ice Cream Cones'.

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Go on a Treasure Hunt

Autumn is such an interesting time to have an outdoor treasure hunt and it's a great way of getting children interested in nature. Turn a walk into an exciting adventure by setting children the challenge of finding different shaped leaves, a dewy spider's web, a mushroom, conkers, acorns etc. Don't forget to take a camera or notebook to record your findings.

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Have a Pyjama Day

There's nothing better on a cold and wet day than staying indoors and having a pyjama day. Make an indoor den, get out the board games, play hide and seek, have an indoor picnic, watch a movie or curl up with a book.

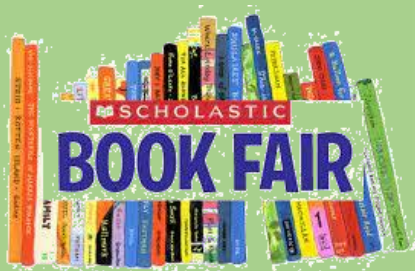
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Pumpkin Carving

Parental supervision required! Create a menacing masterpiece ready to scare away ghosts and ghouls on Halloween.





A big thank you to all of you who supported the book fair in school recently.

We raised a really impressive **£820.00.**

The school will receive commission shortly which we will spend on books for our library and classrooms.

Once again thank you for your continued support.



Online Safety Parent Workshop
Wednesday 19th October 2022



Thank you to everyone that attended the Online Safety Parent Workshop this week.

It was great to see so many parents committed to supporting their children by attending to find out more about online safety and what they can do to keep their children safe online at home.

For those who were unable to attend, please look at the online safety post on Class Dojo which has a link to the presentation full of useful information and websites you can access for support.

Miss Rumble

- **Wednesday 16th November**
Individual School Photographs
- **Friday 25th November, 3.30pm - 5.30pm**
School Christmas Fair
- **Friday 16th December**
Whole School Panto Trip - Snow White @ The Deco Theatre



TERM DATES FOR 2022 - 2023

AUTUMN TERM 2

Open to pupils on the morning of: **MONDAY 31ST OCTOBER 2022**

Closed at the end of afternoon of: **FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2022**

TWO WEEK SCHOOL CLOSURE

TEACHER TRAINING DAY: **TUESDAY 3RD JANUARY 2023**

Open to pupils on the morning of: **WEDNESDAY 4TH JANUARY 2023**

