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THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers

I can't believe that we are already only two weeks away from half term. Time does seem to pass that much more quickly when you are busy and we're certainly packing a lot into our days and weeks!

In Reception we have been exploring shapes, naming them and then looking at them in the environment. We have been looking at co-operation and working with a partner and building constructions together. We have designed and built our own role play areas and the grand opening of our 'Builder's Yard' and 'School' is on Monday. We have also done some junk modelling and think our creations are amazing.



This week in English Year 1 have been creating information posters about animals (using titles, labelled drawings, captions, photos and facts) and we have been continuing to practise our pre-cursive handwriting of the 'curly caterpillar' family - please see the Year 1 page of the school website for information about which letters are in which families. In Maths we have been measuring all sorts of things using non-standard units such as pebbles,

paper-clips, different sized pompoms and conkers, and learning why standard units are important. We have been on an Autumn walk, collecting/noticing everything Autumnal, and we have also all been really enjoying some Peer Massage.



In Maths Year 2 have been learning about inverse operations and commutative law. We have also drawn block diagrams of the months our birthdays are in. We are looking at poetry and have enjoyed lots of poems and responded to them. We have even written a class poem! In Science we have been looking at our clothes, where they come from and the care labels. We have made Heights kites with our school values on them.

RECEPTION CLASSES PHONICS SESSION FOR PARENTS

We hope you found the interactive phonics session useful yesterday: many thanks to our FS Team who led it. Do let us know if you were unable to attend and would like further information.

CONGRATULATIONS - to the Sheppard family on the arrival of Audrey last Friday afternoon (some people will do anything to avoid my assemblies!).

HARVEST GOODY BAGS

The week beginning 19th October we will be celebrating 'Harvests'. As part of this we would like to make up Harvest Goody Bags of non-perishable goods such as pasta, tinned soup, tea, sugar, biscuits for some of our elderly local residents. We hope you will be happy to help by contributing an item: we will be putting a checklist outside each of the classrooms to help us balance the donations.

PARENTMAIL

Thank you everyone who has registered on ParentMail to date. This edition of Highlights is being sent by our usual email list and ParentMail - do let us know if you encounter any problems with access.

FLU VACCINATIONS

Berkshire School Nursing Service will be coming into school to administer Nasal Flu Vaccinations to Years 1 and 2 on Monday 23rd November. Information and permission letters will be sent home on Monday.

CROSS COUNTRY RACE SERIES (Years 1 and 2)

The next meeting is tomorrow (so soon!) at Chiltern Edge School, starting with the Year 1 and 2 races at 10am. It's a good idea to get to Chiltern Edge by 9.40am as it can be very busy. We look forward hearing how you all got on next week.

PTFA NEWS

So much news from the PTFA this week that we are sending a separate mailing.....

DATES TO NOTE

Monday 12 th Oct	8.50-9.10	Parent Class Reps meeting
Friday 16 th Oct	3.30pm	Deadline for receipt of votes in Parent Governor Election
Thursday 22 nd Oct		Announcement of new Parent Governor

SPOTLIGHT

Our spotlight this week falls on Mr Crispin for running the Bournemouth marathon and 'The Eliminator Race' - well done!

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Our pupils of this week are: Eva and Roshni (Year 2); Matilda, Harry, Emily and George (Year 1); Sam, Elsa, Myka and Misa (Reception Classes).
Congratulations to all of them!



Karen Edwards
Headteacher



She's got the whole world
in her hands