



HALE PREP SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Friday 10th November 2023

	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	
INFANT WEEKLY TROPHY	Sophia	Adam	Tom	
	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
PUPIL OF THE WEEK CERTIFICATE	Ruby	Jovi	Nour	Tiya
	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	
MISS BERYL KINDNESS AWARD	Alice	Isaac	Anna	
	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
	Heather	Temi	Isaac	Ollie



DIWALI

We wish all our Hindu and Sikh families a happy and enjoyable festival on Sunday and over the five days of celebrations.



INFANT PE

This is just a short reminder to send your child to school in their full winter PE kit on PE days from next week. They will spend much more time doing PE and playing outside whilst being warm and dry. All timetables are on your child's class page on the website. PE kits are not required for infant dance.

Infant water bottles cause many issues in school. They spill into bags, are dropped and broken, and often children drink from 'other' bottles by mistake, which is not the best over the winter sniffs and colds season.

The main concern, however, is ensuring that such young children are adequately hydrated, and this should be carefully monitored as routine practice during the school day.

From Monday, the infant staff will sit their class down together before morning and afternoon break time and ensure that at least a cup of milk or water is finished. This will obviously not be forced, but the staff will easily be able to spot those children who may need gentle encouragement. Free access to water from a clean cup will also be available throughout the day.

The lunchtime staff will also carefully monitor the infants' drink cups before the children leave the table.

Therefore, from Monday, please do not send a water bottle to school; just a healthy snack.

ODD SOCKS DAY - ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 13-17 NOVEMBER

A reminder that we will be 'Making a Noise' about bullying next week!

We begin our week with Odd Socks Day on Monday, the 13th, where everyone should wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. Socks can be worn over tights and trousers rolled up to show them off. Donations of £1 will be collected for the Anti-Bullying Alliance.

For the rest of the week, we will explore what bullying is, how we can stand up to it, talk about it and tell an adult if we think it is happening to us or another. There will be lessons, activities, assemblies and many opportunities for discussion.



CHILDREN IN NEED

Next Friday, 17th November, will be a 'non-uniform' day to raise funds for Children in Need. For a minimum £1 donation, children can come to school dressed as they wish – within reason!

The PTA is organising this fundraising event. There will be an option to donate via QR code, and posters will be in the playground ready for next Friday. The PTA will also provide each form teacher with a money box from the BBC website for the children to put their donations in.



Thank you in advance for supporting the PTA and this wonderful event.

TEA-TOWELS

The PTA has again organised this great project, producing a wonderful memento and a meaningful gift. The children have all been busy in school drawing themselves, the staff and not forgetting Miss Beryl! Their drawings will be arranged into one commemorative design and this year, they will be screen printed in colour (rather than last year's plain green) onto white, high-quality, 100% cotton tea towels. To receive the tea towels in time for Christmas, please place your order by **FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER** at the latest. Full details and instructions to order are attached to the School Spider message.

BASKETBALL HEARTBREAK

On Monday, the basketball team played their first-ever game and went right into the 'deep end' participating in the Trafford Schools Elite Cup. Games were 5 minutes straight and action-packed, and in the group stages, Hale pulled off some fantastic results against much larger schools:

Brooklands 0-2 Hale Prep

Heyes Lane 0-0 Hale Prep

Springfield 1 - 2 Hale Prep

Park Rd 1-2 Hale Prep



Hale finished top of their group, which was no mean achievement given our team comprised no club players, whilst other teams had players who train and represent Trafford Basketball Club weekly.

We were pitted against Navigation in the semi-final and won an exciting game 2-1.

The final was a real nail-biter. It finished goalless and was still goalless after extra time. It went to a 'Golden Basket', and the outstanding player on the pitch scored a very good basket for

Heyes Lane, who deservedly lifted the trophy.

Well done to all players for showing great commitment, skill and excellent sportsmanship.

Thank you to the parents who came along to help with lifts and cheer the children on; thanks to the PTA who invested in posts and balls a couple of years ago to help us get basketball on the curriculum.



HANDBALL – THE BRIDEMAIDS AGAIN!

It was a case of déjà vu on Thursday as the handball team also reached the final of the Trafford School Sports Partnership Handball competition. Having finished second in their group, the team won an exciting semi-final against Tyntesfield. The final started badly, but we clawed our way back against a strong Bowden church school. After 5 minutes, the two teams were locked at four goals each, but unfortunately, Bowdon was awarded a penalty and took their chance to leave us with a second defeat in a week on 'Golden Goal'. Well done to all

of the players; many thanks to Mr Sheehy, Mr Oley and Mrs Hargreaves, who helped with transport as well as supplying some very tasty Doughnuts (I'm led to believe!)

Results

Bowdon CS 7 – 4 Hale Prep Woodheys 2- 8 Hale Prep Park Rd 4- 7 Hale Prep
Semi-final Tyntesfield 3- 5 Hale Prep Final Bowdon CS 5- 4 Hale Prep (after golden goal)



JOHN LEIGH PARK CROSS COUNTRY SATURDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

The 2nd of the three cross country races at John Leigh Park is next weekend, Sat 18th Nov. All children in the Juniors are welcome to run- we would love to see you there representing Hale Prep. Perhaps visit the park this weekend and get used to the hills!

The order of races is:

5/6 Girls 10am; 5/6 Boys 10.10am; 3 / 4 Girls 10.20am; 3 / 4 Boys 10.30am

PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR, SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER 12 PM – 3 PM

The PTA is busy preparing for this year's Christmas Fair. Full details of the Fair can be found attached to the School Spider message and in the Parents' section of the website. Information will be sent home with the children or messaged via the App in the next weeks.

