

## HALE PREP SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



# Friday 9th February 2024

	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	
INFANT WEEKLY TROPHY	Нидо Вах	Alaria	Teddie	
	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
PUPIL OF THE WEEK CERTIFICATE	Oliver	James	Leo	Ela, Fayha
MISS BERYL	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	
	Sofia S	Edward	Dylan	
KINDNESS AWARD	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
	Ruby	Mina	Musa	Cici, Manus
BRONZE	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	
			Cillian, Aine, Amelie Maeven	
CERTIFICATES	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
	Ged, Theodore, Sofia			Zachary, Beau
	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	
SILVER CERTIFICATES	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
				Isabelle







#### EXAMINATION INFORMATION FOR YEAR 5 PARENTS

The date for the local grammar schools, Altrincham, Sale, Stretford and Urmston, has now been released, this being Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> September 2024. You will be able to apply online from 12 noon on Thursday, 25th April, for your child to sit the exam for any of the above schools. The closing date for online applications is 12 noon on Friday, June 21st.

The date for the entrance exam for Loreto Grammar and St Ambrose College for entry into Year 7 in September 2025 is Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> September. Registrations for the entrance exams will be live from 29<sup>th</sup> June 2024, with the deadline for entry being 31<sup>st</sup> July 2024.

#### YEAR 1 FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE WORKSHOP

Florence Nightingale spent the day with Year 1 on Tuesday. The children helped clean the hospital, prepare food, make medicines and look after soldiers. They worked so hard and had a fabulous day at their workshop.









#### THE STARS OF TT ROCK STARS!

The following children have received the highest Rock Star status: Athena, William S, Logan B, Oliver H, Ayaan M, Beau, Aaron and Lara.

These children have used TT Rock Stars the most since September: Athena, William S, Haris, Oliver H and Ayaan M.

Well done to everyone for their hard work.

#### GREATER MANCHESTER CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

Huge congratulations to Isla in Year 6 for a brilliant 9th place finish in the Greater Manchester Cross-Country Championships last weekend.



#### YEAR 5 TRIP TO JODRELL BANK

On Wednesday, Year 5 enjoyed a fun-filled day of science at Jodrell Bank. In connection with our topic on Earth and Space, the children explored the extensive exhibition pavilions, full of fascinating facts and amazing information about our galaxy and beyond. We were very lucky with the weather, so we were able to spend time investigating the interactive outside area, dwarfed by the magnificent Lovell Telescope. For many of the children, the highlight of the day was taking a tour around the eight planets of our solar system with some mind-boggling concepts, all from the comfort of the 'Space Dome'.









## INTERNET SAFETY DAY - 6th FEBRUARY

The whole school enjoyed dressing up and learning about AI and how to stay safe when using the internet. Reception even learnt a song!

Parents - please read the 'safeguarding' section on our school website for more tips and information on e-safety.









Sonic the Hedgehog

#### WELL DONE YEAR 2!

Year 2 made stick houses from the time of the Great Fire of London for their history homework. Miss Castermans was amazed and impressed by their efforts!











## CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

It is Children's Mental Health Week, and today's theme was 'Express Yourself'. Children in the Juniors and Year 2 took time to make their individual Pupil Passports, a blank example is on page 10. They could express their likes and dislikes and think about what helps them to learn and enjoy school. It helps us all to understand that we have different needs and should take some time to think about how we learn, to support others and to find our own voice. It is a very positive experience! Well done everyone. For ideas about how to continue the conversation at home, please follow this link:

https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families

More about today and lots of photos will be in the newsletter on 23rd February.

#### TRAFFORD GYMNASTICS

Congratulations to our gymnasts who performed brilliantly at the Trafford Gymnastics events. Years 3 and 4 competed on Tuesday. Mollie was 4th on floor and received a special recognition award for an excellent performance on track. Lyla was 4th on vault and Alyssia 2nd.

Well done, Mollie, Lyla, Alyssia, Georgina, Arinas, Anaia, Aria and Olivia.





The Year 6 team also competed on Tuesday and were runners-up, with Esther taking 1st individual position on vault and Sofia 3rd. Sofia also gained 4th place for her floor routine. Laetitia was chosen for a special recognition award.

Well done Esther, Sofia, Isla, Lara, Laetitia, Isabelle, Hana and Ava.

Year 2 competed this morning. Many congratulations to the team on their 1<sup>st</sup> place win. Individual success was achieved by Selene winning 1<sup>st</sup> for floor, Elisa 3<sup>rd</sup> for floor, and Eva winning 4<sup>th</sup> place for vault.



More photos can be found on the website.



#### **FOOTBALL**

Last Friday, the boys' football team played in the ISA 5-a-side football Tournament. The team were drawn in a competitive group, with the eventual winners emerging from the group. The team won one match, drew one and lost two and, as a result, failed to qualify for the knock out stages of the competition. Congratulations to the boys who competed.



## CROSS-COUNTRY - NEW DATE

Sadly, Thursday's ISA event fell victim to the weather, but the good news is that it has been rearranged for Tues 20th February. All arrangements are the same as in the initial letter.

Children can come in their kit; they need a packed lunch, change of clothes, plastic bag and towel.

Assuming all can take part unless I hear differently. Let me know ASAP if your child can't take part at s.busby@haleprepschool.co.uk. Half term is a great time to get some training in! Any child wanting to enter the Ashley Hall 3k run on Sunday, 18th Feb, can do so via the link below. There is a fee attached.

https://www.letsdothis.com/gb/checkout/ticket?eventId=190360&utm\_organiser\_id=79575.

#### NEXT HALF TERM'S SPORTS FIXTURES

Date	Event	Time
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Cross Country (ISA) at Scarisbrick Ormskirk	11.30-1pm
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Year 56 Tag Rugby 2 teams v APS at Bowdon	2-2.45pm
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Football 2 matches Year 3 & 4 v APS at Bowdon	2-2.45pm
	Yr 6 Boys' Football League at Timperley Sports Club	4- 5:30pm
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> March	A and B football v St Ambrose (a)	2-3pm
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Sports Hall Athletics Final at Stretford Leisure Centre	1-3pm
	Girls' Football league	4- 5:30pm
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Football 2 matches Year 5/6 A and B v APS at Bowdon	2-2.45pm
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Yr 6 Boys Football league at Timperley Sports Club	4-5.30pm

Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	U11 ISA Bee Netball Tournament	10-2
	Girls' Football league	4- 5.30pm
Weds 20 <sup>th</sup> March	A and B Yr 5 & 6 Rugby teams at Trafford Metrovick	9.45-11.45
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Girls ISA football at The Grange	12.30-3pm

## WORLD BOOK DAY - THURSDAY 7TH MARCH

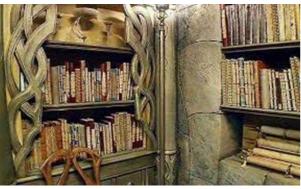
World Book Day takes place on Thursday 7th March, and we hope you will join us to celebrate! We would love it if the children could come to school wearing a hat which reflects a character from any book they have enjoyed reading. They will still wear their normal school uniform. We would love for each class to enjoy a mystery reader on this day. A mystery reader is when a family member comes to school to read a book/part of a story to a class as a surprise. Please email the office if you are interested or would like to find out more about mystery readers. World Book Day is always an exciting day, and the children will enjoy lots of reading-related activities in class. We can't wait to see your hats!

## New School Library 2024. Work to be Completed in Summer Holiday











Concept: Elvish/Tolkien/Potter/magical forest. Lighting and sound in line with the theme. Forest and water sounds activated on entry. Mrs V & Y6 to generate the designs.

Working practical seating/teaching space. Seating and shelving in 'tree trunks. All walls are covered with bespoke tree trunk shelving. Think Bodleian Library with mini sliding ladders for higher shelves with buckets for books.

## Funding:

PTA reps to work and help each year group. Sponsored events in school week. Match funded by Mr Connor Snr.

### Fundraising Plans.

- 1. In School: Enterprise weeks for each Year group. Dates below. Staff to work with PTA Class rep. Year Group sponsored event.
- 2. PTA generated. Infant Movie night in school, Junior event under discussion possibly a Y6 sleep over at school.
- 3. PTA have more ideas for sponsorship

#### Reception & Y1 Class Sponsored Fundraising Week:

Monday 4th March

Y2 & Y3 Class Sponsored Fundraising Week:

Monday 11th March

Y3 & Y4 Class Sponsored Fundraising Week:

Monday 18th March.

Y5 & Y6 Class Sponsored Fundraising Week:

Monday 25th March

I will send more details after the holiday.

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