

HALE PREP SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024

		RECEPTION		YEAR 1		YEAR 2				
INFANT WEEKLY TROPHY		Leo		Sienna		Avani				
		YEAR 3		YEAR 4		YEAR 5		YEAR 6		
JUNIOR PUPIL OF THE WEEK CERTIFICATE		Тот		Annabelle		Рорру		Ava		
WORD MILLIONAIRE										
MISS BERYL KINDNESS AWARD		RECEPTION		YEAR 1			YEAR 2			
		Isabelle		Theodore			Andrew		ļ	
		YEAR 3		YEAR 4			YEAR 5		YEAR 6	
		Selene		Antonia			Mia		Clara	
NUMBOTS		RECEPTION			ļ		YEAR 1			
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		Joseph	Isabelle		Dachaun		Hugo G	Nathan		Alannah
TIMES TABLES ROCK		YEAR 1	YEAR 2		YEAR 3		YEAR 4	YEAR 5		YEAR 6
STARS – these of earned the most TTRS in their yea this week.	coins on	Alice Osca		ar	Selene		Jed	Zero		William
BRONZE CERTIFICATES	REC	YEAR 1	YEAR	2	YEAR 3		YEAR 4	YEAR 5		YEAR 6
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# PTA UPDATE: INTRODUCING THE NEW COMMITTEE

A message from the PTA, "Following our AGM on Tuesday, 8th October, we are delighted to introduce the new PTA committee members:

Chairs: Dr. Perpetual Idehen and Mrs Lara Westall

Treasurers: Mrs Sarah Malkin and Mrs Elizabeth Goswamy

The committee will also be supported by Mrs Freya Renata as treasury support and Mrs Deena Sharuk as acting Secretary.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the parents on the planning committee and to all parents for their ongoing support from the wider school community!

# Upcoming Event: Pre-Christmas PTA Meeting

Please join us to kick off the festive season with our Christmas Planning Meeting to help shape this popular event:

When: Thursday, 7th November, 7:30 pm Where: School Hall We look forward to seeing you there! Warm regards, Dr, Perpetual Idehen PTA Co-Chair''

### ARCHERY CLUB

If your child is interested in joining the archery club that starts on Wednesday, November 6th, please follow the link below, which will take you to Archery Education's booking site. The club is open to all juniors, Years 3 - 6.

https://forms.gle/C6iJxjrmHWDLU7sT9

# 100% Club Reader Winners

Every time a child achieves 100% in a book quiz, they receive a star for the wall. The stars are taken down every half-term, and a child is randomly chosen to win the certificate. The more stars, the more chances they have of winning. Well done to this half term's winners! Y3 Selene and Saylor

Y4 Sofia and Liyana

Y5 Keeva and Temi

Y6 Suhana

### NEW ATTENDANCE POLICY

Dear Parents,

All schools, including independent schools, have new statutory obligations to record absence data and return it to the local authority regularly. The new policy is on the school website and has been sent via School Spider today.

May I please bring to your attention the guidance in this updated attendance policy? Kindest regards,

Mrs Vayro

# INCLUSION

One of our main aims is for all children to be happy at Hale Prep. To this end, we constantly promote the importance of kindness and try to ensure that all children are included and no one feels left out. It has come to our attention on several occasions this half term that children have been upset when they have felt left out of activities and celebrations. The school would not dream of interfering with or commenting on family-run events. However, staff do observe the distress and upset children experience if they are not invited to a party. Therefore, we sensitively and humbly ask parents to consider the school's inclusive aim when giving out invitations. Including all classmates, all boys or all girls, or discreetly distributing invitations can go a long way in helping ensure that no child feels left out. Thank you so much.

#### LACROSSE

There was much excitement down at Bowdon on Friday when the first friendly lacrosse matches of the season against Gawsworth were played. Both the A and B teams played two seven-minute matches in the sunshine. Unfortunately, the B team lost both their matches 0-5 and 2-4, although their gameplay and throwing skills improved as the matches went on. The A team had a mixed result, winning their first match 4-3 but losing steam in their second 0-4. The team played well, but there is definite room for improvement in match play and tactics. However, there are a lot of positives to be had. Both schools are forward to some more fixtures in the future. Well done to all who played and to the parents who came to support.





### CROSS-COUNTRY

After such a brilliant turnout at the last race, we are hoping to have just as many competitors from Years 1–6 at the next races on Sat 16th and 30th November. The two week half term break is a great opportunity to go and practise running the course in John Leigh Park. Approximate timings for the races are:

Girls A race – 10am Boys A race 10.10 Girls B race 10.20 Boys B race 10.30 Boys and Girls' Infants race 10.40 As always, make sure you are there at least 15 minutes before your race to secure a good place in the starting line and warm up.

#### NEW CLASSROOM

The new classroom is taking shape, and we look forward to it being open and used for teaching very soon.

# SCHOOL LIBRARY

The new library is also nearly finished, and we will be inviting parents to come and see it in the next few weeks.



## BASKETBALL

On Monday, there was a first for Hale Prep as it hosted its first-ever basketball fixtures. Two teams took on Stamford Park Primary School in very enjoyable games, with the A team victorious by 36–6 and the B team by 32–17, watched by lots of parents and grandparents.

On Tuesday, our basketballers were again in action, attempting to defend the trophy Hale Prep won last year at The ISA North tournament in Ellesmere Port. 12 teams came from as far afield as York and Harrogate, and there was a high standard of basketball on show. Ava, Poppy, Toju, Faris and Sky did the school proud, giving every last drop of energy and holding their nerve in a very tense semi-final shoot out. Unfortunately, we lost the final, which was no disgrace,



to a strong Branwood team who knew they had been in a very close game, with the second basket of the match only being sunk in the final seconds. Thanks to Poppy and Faris's mum for cheering the children on, and we look forward to the Trafford event later this year.

# THE TEAM'S RESULTS WERE AS FOLLOWS:

GROUP STAGE Hale 14 - O Firs Chester Hale 0 - 2 Branwood Hale 6 - 2 Queen Ethelburgh's Hale 10-0 Prenton Hale 10-0 Chadderton SEMI- FINAL Hale 2-2 King's Chester Hale won on free- throw in the shoot-out FINAL Hale 0-4 Branwood

#### YEAR 6 POTTERY

On Tuesday, Year 6 had the final of two pottery sessions with 'Pottery Dave', AKA Dave Partington, a Lancashire artist and ceramicist. In this session, the children added their designs to the fired pots.

#### NEW CLUBS FOR NEXT HALF-TERM

There will be three new clubs available when we return from half-term. For Year 2 there will be a Board Games Club, Years 1–6 a Jam Coding Club and the juniors an Archery Club. Details of these clubs have been sent to parents via the app.