



HALE PREP SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 7th February 2025



INFANT WEEKLY TROPHY	RECEPTION		YEAR 1		YEAR 2					
	Reign		Hugo Bax		Imani					
JUNIOR PUPIL OF THE WEEK CERTIFICATE	YEAR 3		YEAR 4		YEAR 5		YEAR 6			
	Naomi		Ruby		Charlotte		William			
Word Millionaires										
MISS BERYL KINDNESS AWARD	RECEPTION		YEAR 1		YEAR 2					
	Isla		Gia		William					
	YEAR 3		YEAR 4		YEAR 5		YEAR 6			
	Amelie		Theodore		Keeva		Yasmin			
NUMBOTS	RECEPTION		YEAR 1							
	1st		1st							
	Jude		Miraya							
TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS - these children earned the most coins on TTRS in their year group this week. BATTLE INFO ON PAGE 5	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3		YEAR 4		YEAR 5		YEAR 6	
	Ameer	Oscar	3K Mahira	3L Elisa	4L Theodore	4M Jed	5G Zero	5R Lily	6O Athena	6P Andy
	REC	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4		YEAR 5		YEAR 6	
BRONZE CERTIFICATES		Nathan Hugo G	Enzo	Eva, Dylan	Antonia, Nicholas, Mateen		Ahmad, Olivia, George		Isaac, Sigi, Nour, Hudson, Daniel	
Silver Certificates					Monty, Sebastian		Sky, Emaan		Molly	
ATTENDANCE	No class had 100% attendance this week.									
GOOD BEHAVIOUR REWARD	Congratulations to Y5R on achieving 30 shields last Friday									



ISA 5-A-SIDE FOOTBALL -- Mr Cunningham



Last Friday, the school football team competed in the ISA 5-a-side football tournament in Trafford.

They finished second in their group, winning three games and losing one. This meant they qualified for the knockout stage. Unfortunately, the team lost their quarter-final match to the eventual winners.

However, every player was fantastic and gave 100% effort. Well done to all of them.

TRAFFORD SSP DODGEBALL – Mr Busby

Last Friday, Ava, Poppy, Molly, Sky, Deen, Ahmad, Sam, and William participated in the Trafford SSP dodgeball tournament. After a good start, beating Forest Park and English Martyrs, our form deserted us. We lost three games on the run and failed to reach the semi-finals. Nonetheless, the children enjoyed the experience and played well. Thanks to Poppy and Sam's mums, who kindly helped with transport.



DODGEBALL – Mr Busby

On Monday, twenty Year 5 and 6 pupils participated in games against their counterparts from Stamford Park. The children got to play lots of matches, with each game 2 minutes in duration, and all enjoyed the experience. Thanks to Miss Connor, who came along, and to the parents, who came in support and had to tolerate the Stamford Park Ultras!



PE UNIFORM – Mr Busby

A few quick reminders:

1. After February half term the junior children will move to spring/summer activities. They will need white socks for all PE lessons.
2. Children going to football club on Tuesdays should wear white socks and black trainers for school and change to long socks, with shinpads for football club.
3. Leg skins and leggings are not part of school uniform. Children should wear either shorts/ a skirt with socks or tracksuit bottoms.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS – Mr Busby

Twenty of Year 6 participated in The Sports Hall Athletics event at ACA on Thursday morning. They took part in a range of events, including relays, speed bounces, obstacle courses, soft javelin, and standing triple jump. The team came 5th overall and had a lovely morning.



CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK 5 – 9 FEBRUARY 2025

This week is Children's Mental Health Week. This special week was dedicated to promoting emotional well-being, kindness, and resilience among our children. Throughout the week, we held a variety of fun and engaging activities to help students understand and take care of their mental health, such as:

- Breathing exercises and relaxation techniques.
- Lesson activities
- Gratitude exercises and acts of kindness.
- Creative arts and music to express emotions.

On Wednesday, 5th February, Now and Beyond Children's Mental Health and Well-Being Festival Day, the children watched a live programme and a video on kindness.

Mental health is just as important as physical health. We support children's well-being and happiness by teaching them how to manage their emotions, build healthy relationships, and develop positive coping skills.

Fun was had by all! More photos are on the school's website in the News section.



SAFER INTERNET DAY – TUES 11 FEB

Tuesday is 'Safer Internet Day', and for 2025, the theme is "Too good to be true? – Protecting yourself and others from scams online." Year 5 is on a trip all day, but Years 3, 4 and 6 will watch a live lesson at 11 am, which the BBC is showing for 7 – 11-year-olds. This is the link: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/live-lessons/articles/zm9vwsg> The infants will engage in various activities throughout the day to make them aware of staying safe online.

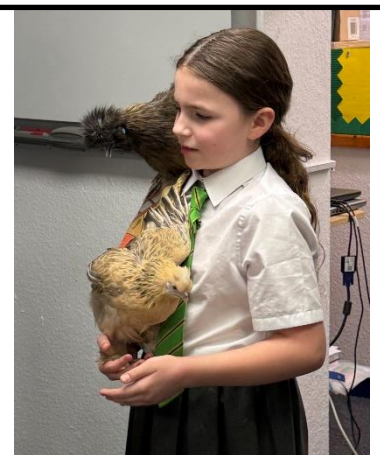
LUCKY LIVES UP TO HER NAME



Lucky breaks free May 2024

Do you remember the chicks last year's Reception class hatched? Lucky was the last one to hatch, and we all thought it was unlikely to happen. Miss Naylor took all the chicks, including the unhatched one, home for the weekend, and happily, Lucky hatched in the back of Miss Naylor's car! The Gillespie family adopted all the chicks when it was time for them to leave HPS. Yesterday, Mrs Gillespie brought Lucky to Vets Club, along with her very own chick! Thank you so much to the Gillespie family for taking such good care of Lucky and the other chicks, and now Lucky's chick, too!

Lucky and her chick Feb 2025 ❤️



YEAR 1 FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE WORKSHOP

Florence Nightingale visited Year 1 on Tuesday as part of their history topic. They had a fantastic day going back in time to the Crimean War, dressing up, cooking, preparing herbal medicines, and role-playing as soldiers and nurses. They even washed bandages in a dolly tub!



GOOD BEHAVIOUR REWARDS

At the end of last week, Year 5R achieved their 30 shields. As their reward, they opted for a night without homework.

SPORTS CREW INTERVIEWS

This week, Francesca interviewed Mr Cunningham on behalf of the Sports Crew:

1. What are your memories of Primary school PE like? What activities did you do?
I remember doing football and gymnastics. I particularly remember scoring a goal to beat our local rivals in a match.
2. Did you go to school with anyone who went on to play sport at an elite level?
Yes Jonathan Macken was a forward who played for Manchester City, Preston, Crystal Palace and Derby. He gained one international cap for the Republic of Ireland and is now manager of local team Stalybridge Celtic.
3. What has been your greatest sporting achievement?
*At 13, I was the 4th best discus thrower in the country.
As an adult, completing a 100-mile Ultramarathon in 29 hours!*
4. Have you ever played with/ against or taught anyone who has gone on to make a living from sport?
I taught a boy who went on to play professional football called Brandon Barker. He made first team appearances for Man City and Glasgow Rangers and most recently played for Morecambe
5. How do you keep fit and healthy now?
I run miles and miles, play badminton for 2 teams, play golf and cycle. I also coach my sons' football teams.
6. What would be your best piece of advice for children about sport and being healthy?
Find an activity you love, give it 100% and, when at times things are difficult, don't give up!

