

# 11th November 2022

## Attendance

Well done to **Rowan** and **Birch** in Infants and **Apostle** and **Teide** in Juniors for having the best attendance over the last two weeks. A special mention to Teide who achieved 100%.

## PTA Fireworks Extravaganza

Thank you to our PTA for organising the wonderful Fireworks Extravaganza last Thursday. After a slightly damp start to the day, the evening turned out fine and families were able to enjoy the rides, food and incredible display. In total **£630** was raised from the event.

We do still have a few unclaimed raffle prizes. Please come to the Junior School Office to collect your prize if you hold one of the following tickets: Green 473, Yellow 387, Yellow 415 or Yellow 793.

In other news, the PTA are pleased to announce that they raised **£400** from our seasonal dress up day last Friday.



We are very fortunate to have such a hard working PTA raising valuable funds for our schools. Another activity they are involved with

over the next three Saturdays in November (12th, 19th and 26th) is the opening of our car park for the England rugby matches at Twickenham Stadium. If you are able to offer some time to help they would love to hear from you. Please contact them on: hspta22@gmail.com.

## Year 6 Mayan Workshop

On the Friday before half term, Year 6 had a hugely enjoyable day attending their Mayan Workshops.



Amara recounted, "We were so excited when we saw the Mavan Man coming into the hall. He taught us numbers (hun, ka, ush) and how to introduce ourselves in Mayan. We learnt how chocolate was made and acted out several stories. I was in a story about the Goddess Xtabay



who lives in the forest. It was a really fun day."

**Diwali** To help learn about Diwali, our Year 1 and 2 children recently took part in



dance workshop with West End in Schools. They were taught the story of Rama and Sita through dance. Our Junior children were treated to an acted performance of the same story by some of our Year 5 children in last

## Visit from Father John

Year 3 have been learning about parables this term and received a visit recently from Father John of St Augustine's Church. He shared his favourite parable, The Prodigal Son and the children read out some parables they had written. Father John later wrote.

"It was wonderful spending time with Year 3. I was impressed by their knowledge and understanding of the parables and the meaning behind the stories. Their own version of parables were wonderful to listen to.'



Monday's assembly.

#### Jubilee Meadow

Jubilee Meadow, adjacent to Heathfield Recreation Ground, was officially opened on 21st October by the Mayor of Richmond upon Thames, Cllr Julia Cambridge. Some of our Infant and Junior children attended the opening ceremony and took part in the activities



which included building insect hotels and hogitats. The area is being managed as a wildlife haven. Further information can be found <u>here</u>.

### Jessie visits Reception

To celebrate their story book *Oh No George!* Reception children were given the chance to meet Jessie the dog. The children asked lots of guestions about what Jessie does

during the day, how she keeps healthy and what she eats. Jessie was a big hit with the children, "*I* was feeling worried about stroking the dog but I was brave enough to do it" said Dottie. Ruby-Rose also "loved stroking Jessie, her fur was so soft".



## Football News

On Monday, a handful of boys from our school football team went to Kingsmeadow Stadium to watch Chelsea U21s play Tottenham U21s. Chelsea went on to win 3-0 and after the match, the Chelsea players came over to chat, sign autographs and take pictures. One player the boys met was Lewis Hall who played against Man City on Wednesday for the 1st Team.

On Tuesday both the girls and boys football teams played Hampton Junior School. The girls won 8-2 with Tia scoring five goals and the boys won 2-1.

On Thursday the girls football team had their first league match beating Bishop Perrin 4-0. Both fixtures included two year 4 girls playing two years above their age. Well done to all our players!

## Year 6 Visit Bushy Park Stockyard

Year 6 had an amazing day on Monday, despite the rain. All four



classes headed to Bushy Park Stockyard for some pond dipping and bug hunting linked to their science topic. Groups worked collaboratively to search in the pond, finding a water scorpion, complete with tail and even a fish! Later they used a sweeping

technique to search for invertebrates in the meadow and woodland. Mrs Mullen summarised the visit beautifully when she said, "A brilliant day, rain doesn't stop play when Year 6 are on a trip!"

#### Dates for your diary

Monday 14th November - Odd Socks Day - wear odd socks to school to mark the start of Anti-Bullying Week Wednesday 16th November, 1.30pm - Tour of Reception - book via Infant School Office Thursday 17th November, 8.45pm - Year 1 Reading Morning - Year 1 parents/carers invited to read with children Thursday 17th November, 2.45pm - Ko Tapu Class Assembly Friday 18th November - Children in Need, bring a teddy to school, suggested donation of £1 Wednesday 23rd November - Year 4 Open Guitar Workshop - parents invited, see separate letter for times Thursday 24th November, 2.45pm - Teide Class Assembly Thursday 24th and Friday 25th November - Individual and sibling photographs Thursday 1st December, 10am - Junior Rocksteady Concert Thursday 1st December, 2.45pm - Cumulus Class Assembly Friday 9th December, 10am - Infant Rocksteady Concert Friday 16th December, 1.ast day of term

