



# HURST PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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### ABLE WRITERS' WORKSHOP

On Tuesday, pupils from years 3 and 4 attended an able writers' workshop at Cardinal Newman Primary School. The group of boys spent the day working with Colin Parsons, a children's author of science fiction books. Colin gave them lots of writing tips and ideas, and all of the boys had a chance to develop their writing skills in practical activities, with Lawrie even sharing his writing with all of the other children attending the workshop. The children were accompanied by Mrs Salmon for the day who said that they were impeccably behaved and engaged in all of the day's activities. Each of the boys bought a copy of one of Colin's books and had it personalised on the day.

*Well done to each of the boys for representing Hurst Park so well.*

### BETT SHOW

On Wednesday 23rd January, the digital leaders visited the BETT show in London. They interacted with a variety of new technologies and a few favourites were robots, virtual reality headsets and an interactive floor zone! They also got the chance to take part in a photo shoot that was upside down and met up with the digital leaders from Ashley School for lunch. All digital leaders were extremely well behaved and demonstrated excellent manners throughout the whole day when talking to exhibitors.



### GIRLS' FOOTBALL

The girls' football team, Maddie, Cara, Clemmie, Ruby, Issy, Hannah and Summer, played their first match on Wednesday. They played a strong Thames Ditton team and gave a fantastic performance. All the girls were focused and played a strong game. Although they did not win



the match, they scored two fantastic goals—the first created by Hannah and Summer, and the second a great goal scored by Summer, assisted by Ruby. Ruby won player of the match!

*Thank you for all the parental support and Mr Jenkins's touchline coaching. Well done girls, we were all very proud of you!*

### FORTHCOMING DATES

Tues 29th Jan: Nursery Photographs  
Wed 30th Jan: R-Y2 Superhero Drama Workshops  
Mon 4th Feb: E-Safety Workshops  
Tues 5th Feb: E-Safety Workshops  
Tues 5th Feb: Safer Internet Day  
Fri 8th Feb: 2L Family Assembly  
Fri 15th Feb: 2J Family Assembly  
Mon 18th to Fri 22nd Feb: Half term  
Mon 25th Feb: Y5 & 6 First Aid Training  
Tues 26th Feb: Y3&4 First Aid Training



### PIECE OF THE WEEK

This week's piece of the week has been:  
Connect It by Anna Meredith  
The link to it on YouTube is:  
<https://youtu.be/Ai6yGKB3obY?t=93>



### INSTRUMENT OF THE WEEK

This week's instrument of the week has been:  
body percussion

### FULL-TIME NURSERY

Just a reminder that full time nursery parents will need to reconfirm their 30 hour codes.

### YEAR 3 SMOOTHIE MAKING

This week, Year 3 have been making healthy smoothies in their Design and Technology lessons. They learnt how to safely use kitchen appliances and the importance of having a healthy diet. Miss Tebbs and Miss Mullins would like to say a big well done to the children for being enthusiastic, sensible and open-minded! The Year 3 team would also like to thank parents for their help and donation of smoothie equipment.



### NURSERY PHOTOS

A photographer will be coming in to school on Tuesday 29th January to take individual photographs of the nursery children.

### 1T FAMILY ASSEMBLY

Due to unforeseen circumstances, 1T family assembly will now be held on Wednesday 1st May and not Friday 17th May, as previously published. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

### VIRTUAL WALK

As part of our Healthy Schools programme, staff are once again taking part in the Virtual Walk – Interschool Competition. The competition runs from 23rd January to 5th March.

This year's walk will be around six special gardens in England, starting and finishing at RHS Wisley Gardens. Between the six gardens, teams will walk the equivalent distance of 1,050 miles or 2,100,000 steps over a six-week period using personal devices such as activity tracker, pedometer or Fitbit. This distance is equivalent to each team member walking 10,000 steps a day.



### SKIPPING WORKSHOPS



*Thank you to Aerin and Nathan for the following:*  
Today we did some fun, amazing skipping and it made us feel happy. First, we had to skip forwards and backwards. Then we learnt some skills on our own and we got better and better. After that, we enjoyed jumping on the long rope because we got to turn around and do tricks. We finished the

workshop with a fun but scary shark game! Thank you to Lizzie for helping us practise skipping.

