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## Newsletter 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are into the second week of lockdown and although it is a strange time for us all, your children are just taking things in their stride and I'm so proud of them all.

Parent's evenings took place remotely and I hope you found these helpful in finding out how your child/children are progressing. Please do not worry if progress is not as much as you would have expected, we understand the last few months have been incredibly difficult for you and your children. Please be assured we have lots of additional support to help your children catch-up if it needed.

I am pleased to see that the majority of parents/carers are keeping to Covid-related procedures and protocols by wearing masks (unless exempt) when on school premises and maintaining social distancing of 2 meters.

Parents/carers are asked to observe this advice if waiting for children in areas surrounding the school. As we have staggered start time windows, there should be very few adults (supervising siblings) who need to spend any time on the playground in the mornings.

Thank you as always for your continued support and we will continue to do everything we can to continue your child's education in a safe and caring environment.

Alex Burrell  
**Headteacher**

### News

#### Christmas Cards



Your children will be bringing home the Christmas cards that they have designed. If you would like to order them please fill in the form and return to their class by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November with payment being made on ParentPay. We cannot place the order until payment has been made.

## Odd Sock Day



Odd Socks Day is taking place on **Friday 20th November 2020** this year to mark the start of Anti-Bullying Week.

Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity for children to express themselves and celebrate their uniqueness. There is no pressure on the children to wear the latest fashion or for parents to buy expensive costumes. All they have to do **to take part is wear odd socks to school** with your school uniform - it couldn't be simpler!

### Year 4

The pupils in Year 4 have been studying Buddhism this term and this week looked at the Festival of Loy Krathong. This celebrates enlightenment and the beauty of life. They made Loy Krathongs (water baskets), which would usually be put on a river to float away.



## School Christmas Dinner





As part of our menu theme days, we will be holding a special **‘Traditional Christmas Lunch’** on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020**. The menu has been created to allow for a flexible approach to how it is served, whether it’s in the dining room or classroom!

Roast Chicken with Stuffing and Chipolata Sausage

**OR**

*(v) Vegetable Plait*

**Served with**

Yorkshire Pudding

Roast Potatoes

Garden Peas, Carrots and Gravy

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Chocolate ‘Christmas Pudding’ Krispie Cake

**OR**

Iced Gingerbread Biscuit

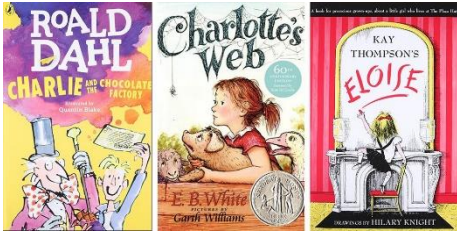
If you would like your child/children to have lunch on this day, **please order on ParentPay no later than 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020**. The cost of the ‘Traditional Christmas Lunch’ for **Key Stage 2** children is as per your school’s normal meal price. Please pay in the same way.

For **Key Stage 1** children this lunch is included in the Universal Free School Meal Allowance. If your child is entitled to have a free school meal then you will not need to pay any additional cost, but please order on ParentPay. We hope your child/children enjoys their lunch.

Please note there will be no other choices on this day.

**Reading Miles**





Here at Heartsease, we love reading. Each week the children's reads are recorded and they can gain House Points.

Here are the results of this week's Reading Miles.

- **Ruby** - 58 reads Top Reader Lorelei and Lee
- **Jasper** - 131 reads Top Readers -Jack, Pdraig-Noah and Aria
- **Jade** - 82 reads Top Reader William
- **Opal**- 66 reads Top Readers Mason and Megan
- **Onyx** -40 reads Top Reader Chloe
- **Aqua** - 81 reads Top-Reader Lyssia-Chelsey
- **Amber** - 106 reads Top Reader Shakira-Rose
- **Coral** - 255 reads Top Reader Oliver
- **Crystal** - 104 reads Top Readers Aiden, Gracie, Kayla
- **Topaz** - 138 reads - Top Reader Yzabelle- May
- **Tanzanite** - 79 reads Top Readers Tegan and Rose
- **Garnet** - 217 reads - Top Reader Zi Han
- **Emerald** - Mr Mackie has been away so no results this week!
- **Sapphire** -70 reads with 10 Top Readers! - Mandy, Ben, Morgan, Jayden, Kenzi, Kaydee, Jack, Billy, David, Isabelle
- **Diamond** - 107 reads - Top Readers with almost everyone having the same number of reads!!!
- **Quartz** - 321 reads - Top readers May and Millie-Marie

Congratulations Quartz . What an amazing amount of reads !

### Naming School Uniform

Due to Covid-19 restrictions we can no longer have a lost property box on school premises. Please ensure all items of school uniform is labelled with your child's name and class.

### Teacher E-mails and Google Classroom

Since the start of distance learning in March, the way that we communicate with parents and children has changed slightly with the introduction of Google Classroom and teacher e-mails. We feel that these methods of communication have been working really effectively in ensuring pupils' learning can continue at home and we thank all of you for adapting so well to these new ways of working.



We do however feel that we need to clarify which line of communication for you to use in different circumstances. If your child's class teacher has contacted you via email to discuss your child's learning or you have a question about work on the Google Classroom then please use the teacher email or Google Classroom to send this message.

If you have a question that is not related to your child's learning and is, for example, checking if your child can be in school if they have certain symptoms or asking a question about school lunches then **please contact the school office directly** using the email or telephone number at the top of this letter. If you contact a teacher directly, please be aware they may not reply until the next working day.

### **Outdoor PE kit**

Parents/Carers are reminded that the children must have their outdoor PE kits in school please. The children should have the below:

- Black/navy tracksuit trousers
- Black/navy hoodie
- Socks
- Trainers
- Yellow PE top
- Gloves and hat (no scarfs)

A reminder about earrings, you need to supply earring tape or remove earrings on PE day please.

**Important: The office is not able to take in forgotten PE kit. PE kit should be left in school to the end of term and then taken home.**

Please be reminded that PE is not optional and is an important part of the school curriculum. Please note the following:

- KS1 children will be given detention if they forget their PE kit three times.
- KS2 children will be given detention if they forget their PE kit twice.

Please ensure that all PE kit is labelled with the name of the child.

### **School Meals**



Please ensure that you have ordered a meal for your child by 9.00am.

Please note that your child is not able to change the meal that you have ordered for them. If you wish to change the choice of meal for your child please email or come to the school office before 9.00am. school office. Please note that for Year 3 and above the office cannot order meals.

All parents (including reception) should check if they are entitled to free school meals using this link [www.norfolk.gov.uk/neo](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/neo)

**Please note that any changes to the menu will be on this weekly newsletter.**

### **The Office**

Unless it is an urgent matter, if you wish to speak to the office or see me, please either email the office [office@heartseaseprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@heartseaseprimary.co.uk) or call and make an appointment.

Please also note the office is unable to take in forgotten kit or lunch, so please make sure that your child has everything they need for their school day.

We have also had a number of calls asking for medical advice. We always want to help as much as we can however we are not medical professionals. If you are worried, you need to call 111.

### **Parking and Vehicles in the School Car Park**

Only parents/carers who have a school parking permit are allowed to enter the school car park (these are only issued on medical grounds, and with prior authorisation from the Headteacher) – everyone else should park well away from the school entrances. Please ensure the main entrance is left clear and that the safety of pedestrians is considered at all times. Only those with a disabled permit should be parking in the disabled bay.

### **Parents Helpline: 07443908515**

Our Parents Helpline is available to offer advice to parents and carers who may be finding life at home difficult during this time at home with your children. You may have questions, concerns or simply need to talk to someone. We understand that this is a difficult time and want you to know that we are only a phone call away.

### **Emails – please check**

Please ensure you check your emails regularly particularly during this period as this is the only way we can contact you. The website will also have copies of newsletters on



for your information. **Please make sure that we have the correct email address for you.**

### **Contact Details - IMPORTANT**

In case of emergencies we must have at least 2 different contact details for each child. Please send an email to [office@heartseaseprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@heartseaseprimary.co.uk) or phone the office if you need to update any telephone numbers. In case of medical or any other emergency we must be able to get hold of someone straight away.

### **Coronavirus Advice**

**Remember** There are things you can do to help stop germs like coronavirus spreading:

**Stay alert** and follow government advice.

Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze. Then bin the tissue, and wash your hands, or use a sanitiser gel.

- wash your hands more often than usual, for 20 seconds each time with soap and water or hand sanitiser, especially when you:
  - get home or into work
  - blow your nose, sneeze or cough
  - eat or handle food
- avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- avoid close contact with people who are unwell.

### **Upcoming events:**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December – LAST DAY OF NEXT TERM**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January – BACK TO SCHOOL**

### **House Points**

<b>Griffin</b>	857
<b>Unicorn</b>	862
<b>Dragon</b>	953
<b>Phoenix</b>	873



## Health and Fitness Champions of the Week



**Sapphire** – Jayden for having a brilliant PE session this week. He showed great respect to the teacher by not calling out. He worked really well within his group. His focus and following of instructions were tip-top! Well done Jayden!

**Coral** – Keanu for demonstrating amazing control within the gymnastics this week. He did a one-handed cartwheel and a backwards walkover with such poise and control. Very impressive Keanu

## Prodigy Champions of the week

**Gold-** Jessica  
**Silver-** Ezio  
**Bronze-** Roel



## Times Tables Rock Stars Battles















This week was a special week as it was Maths Week England on TTRS! Classes were all battling together to score points for our school. And good news! We have moved from 17th to 14th out of 30 schools in the local area! Our next aim is to move up even higher and get ahead of Henderson Green - another school in our Trust!

11	Henderson Green Primary School, Norwich	6.01
12	Trowse Primary School	6.30
13	George White Junior School	6.42
14	Heartsease Primary Academy, Norwich	6.55
15	Surlingham Primary School	6.55
16	Kinsale Junior School	6.68
17	Notre Dame Prep School, Norwich	6.71
18	Woodland View Junior School, Norwich	6.76
19	White Woman Lane Junior School	7.75
20	Lionwood Junior School	7.77

See below for our leader board from this week. These were our top 10 scorers... Well done all - particularly Tyler!!



1	 Tyler Diamond 2020-2021	<b>9,869</b>
2	 Elise Quartz 2020-2021	<b>4,321</b>
3	 Savannah Emerald 2020-2021	<b>3,426</b>
4	 Stella Sapphire 2020-2021	<b>3,209</b>
5	 Frank Coral 2020-2021	<b>2,432</b>
6	 Mosa Emerald 2020-2021	<b>1,913</b>
7	 Oliver Coral 2020-2021	<b>1,757</b>
8	 Dylan Quartz 2020-2021	<b>1,703</b>
9	 Tiffany Quartz 2020-2021	<b>1,685</b>
10	 Mandy Sapphire 2020-2021	<b>1,646</b>

Next week's battle will be Girls vs. Boys - happy battling!

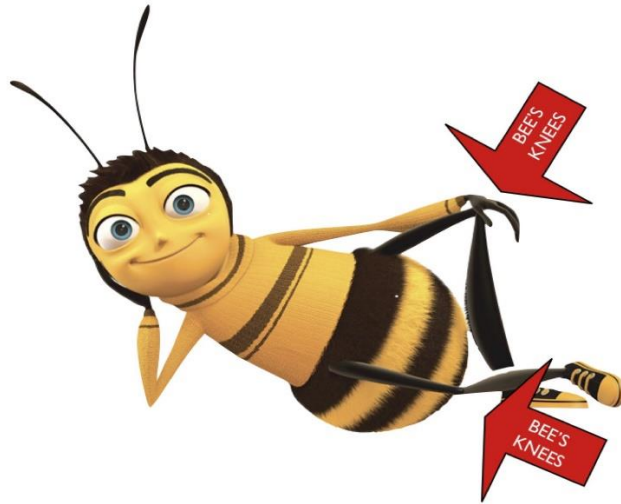
### Times Tables Rock Stars

**Quartz** – Harvey for significantly improving his speed and accuracy this term - fantastic!

**Diamond** – Ross for always putting 110% effort into TTRS! He is getting a lot quicker at his times tables!

### This Week's Bees Knees Awards:





**Ruby** – Max because his handwriting has suddenly improved.

**Jade** – Alan for settling into school well and for being very polite!  
You have made a great start in Reception!

**Jasper**- Armandas for being determined with his writing.

**Opal** - Lexi-Louise for improved determination and independence in Power Maths

**Onyx** – we are so proud of Bentley for always working so hard and being determined to improve his presentation. Well done!

**Aqua**- Imogen for fantastic work in column adding and subtracting. Great work!

**Amber**- Poppy for her continuing good work all week.

**Coral**- Jack did some really amazing maths independently – Well done!

**Crystal** – Layla for her amazing mathematical thinking.

**Garnet** – Lincoln because he has been so enthusiastic with the different topics we have looked at. His ambition to use his own knowledge has allowed him to consider ideas above the



expectation of the year group, especially his in-depth explanation using key vocabulary of how sound travels down a string.

**Tanzanite** – Xylia for her amazing poppy drawing in Art this week. Also her consistently fabulous behaviour. Keep it up!

**Topaz**- Bilal - I continue to be impressed with your steady determination to complete work to the best of your ability. You can always be relied upon to be 'doing the right thing'. Well done.

**Sapphire** – Lucus for Sapphire's bees Knees award because he has shown an increased ambitious and eager attitude towards his work and his homework this week.

**Emerald**- Savannah for working hard throughout this week.

**Diamond**- Amie has been ambitious and determined to do well in her tests this week and it has paid off! She has done amazing work and has pushed herself to do her best. Well done Amie. You should be very proud of yourself!

**Quartz**- Rodrigo for some excellent writing this week in English, as well as for his calm and mature attitude at all times, but especially during PSHE lessons this term - well done!

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