



## Hatherop Church of England Primary School

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*'Caring, Believing, Achieving'*

### **Newsletter: 6 November 2023**

Welcome back, we hope you had a good half term and that you were able to enjoy the Quenington Fireworks over the weekend. Well done to the PTA, who raised an impressive £410. Thank you also to Year 4,5 and 6 who made the guy this year.

This term our value is Trust. We will be exploring trust in our relationships with our friends as well as how Christians place their trust in God. We will read the story of Jesus calming the storm. At the end of the term, we will celebrate the season of Advent and Christmas trusting that God has a plan for each one of us.

### **Open Morning**

Open Morning will be held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 9:30am. Please contact [admin@hatherop.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hatherop.gloucs.sch.uk) to book a place. Please point new families in the direction of the website for more information about our school. <https://www.hatherop.gloucs.sch.uk/>

### **Parents' Evening**

Parents' evening will take place next week. If you have not yet signed up, please do so before Wednesday. This is a valuable time for you to see your child's class teacher and discuss achievements as well as next steps.

### **Uniform**

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform/PE kit into school. The list/photographs can be found on our website. School shoes must be a black and not be a trainer. Long hair must be tied up.

### **PTA News – Rags2Riches**

We will be participating again this year in the Rags2Riches4Schools recycling scheme with a collection date each term. This term's collection date is 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023, so please start saving up your unwanted but good quality clothing and accessories as these can all be donated and will raise money for the school. You are encouraged to bring your donations into school in any bag.

### **TAG Rugby Festival**

Well done to year 5 and 6 who attended the TAG Rugby Festival at Cirencester Rugby Club last term. The different teams had varying results, but enjoyed themselves nevertheless. Thank you to Ms Clarke, Mrs Cook and Mrs Forbes for accompanying the children.

### **Thank you**

Thank you to all those that attended the open classrooms and the buildings drop- in session at the end of last term. Your comments and feedback are valuable to us.

### **Salvation Army Appeal**

Thank you for your generous donations so far of Christmas Food for the Salvation Army Appeal. A representative will come into school on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November to talk to the children about the work of the Salvation Army, as well as to collect the donations. Please send in any further donations (such as a bag of chocolate coins, a selection box, a tin of Quality Street, a bought Christmas cake or a Christmas pudding) before then.

### Mindfulness Sessions

This term, Joanna Coecup will be delivering an 8-week mindfulness programme to our Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils. On the INSET day, the staff were able to engage in a session with Joanna to enable us to better understand the techniques and benefits of practicing mindfulness. We look forward to welcoming her to Hatherop on Friday.

#### Wow Board

During celebration worship last term, many children came to the front to celebrate their 'wow' moments. We like to hear about achievements outside of school. If your child has something to celebrate, they could bring in a photo or a write up which we will place on the wow board outside Skylark Class.

#### Anti-bullying Week

Anti-Bullying Week will take place from Monday 13th to Friday 17th November. This year the theme is 'Make A Noise About Bullying'. Children wanted a theme that empowered them to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes. The week will be kicked off with **Odd Socks Day** on **Monday 13th November**, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.

#### Dates for the Diary:

6 <sup>th</sup> November	INSET DAY
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Term Starts Poppies on Sale
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Odd Socks Day
13 <sup>th</sup> and 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents' Evening
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Rags to Riches
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Open Morning
23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Salvation Army Appeal Collection
4 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5 Bikeability
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingles with Mr Brignall
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5/6 School Beat Officer Visit
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Skylark Nativity
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Treasure Island at The Barn Theatre
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner
21 <sup>st</sup> December	Celebration Worship 1:30pm End of Term 2pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> December	INSET Day