



HALE PREP SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Friday 26th January 2024

	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	
INFANT WEEKLY TROPHY	Maria	Jibriel	Saylor	
	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
PUPIL OF THE WEEK CERTIFICATE	Gigi	Poppy	Faris	Hana
MISS BERYL KINDNESS AWARD	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	
	Ralph	Alaria	Maeven	
	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
	Sebastian	Henry	Athena & Leo	Lara
BRONZE CERTIFICATES	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	
		Alaria George		
	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
	Maddox Odhran Georgia		Athena Isa Andy Leah	Spencer

Congratulations also to the Year 2 pupils who achieved their LAMDA certificates.



EXAMS MEETING

Thank you to all those parents who attended the meeting on Monday evening. The meeting, providing information about how the children are prepared for the exams that they sit in Year 6 and the wide range of possible schools available to them after their time at Hale Prep, proved most useful. We would like to offer the same meeting on the morning of Monday 29th January, at 8 am, in the school hall for any parent who would like to attend.

BIG GARDEN BIRDWATCH THIS WEEKEND

If you are looking for something fun to do this weekend, you might like to take part in the Big Garden Birdwatch. It is the world's largest garden wildlife survey, and it is happening this weekend. Every year, nature lovers all over the UK help scientists track how well garden birds are faring. All you need is a spare hour to watch and record the birds in your garden, at the local park, or just out your window.

It's very easy to sign up online via the RSPB website, and if you follow the link below, it will explain exactly what to do.

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch>

BOOK FAIR TUESDAY 6TH FEBRUARY

We are excited to be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair from Tuesday 6th February to Thursday 8th February. The event will take place in the school hall between 3.20 pm and 4.00 pm, and it is the perfect opportunity for your child to purchase a new book to read over the half-term break! You will find the 'Book Fair Invitation' on the school website, which shows a selection of the books available (more book titles will be available to buy at the fair). Payments can be made via your mobile phone using a QR code.

If you cannot attend the Fair in person, your child can order books via a Wish List (this can be found on the school website).

A competition will be run for each year group where the winner will receive a £5 voucher to purchase a book. In addition, World Book Day vouchers, which can be used at the Fair, will be handed out.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Mrs Lumsden and the English teachers!

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

The last week of this half-term is Children's Mental Health Week. On Friday, 9th Feb, we will be having an Express Yourself Day.

Children can come to school in their favourite outfits to express themselves. The day will start with a big Dance-Along in the playground to 'Express Yourself' by Labrinth. Parents are most welcome to watch or even join in! We will come off the curriculum for the day, with all lessons themed around expressing yourself and 'my voice matters'.



DOUBLE TRIUMPH FOR FOOTBALLERS

Hale Prep took on Forest Prep. in Year 6 boys' and girls' games on Monday evening. The boys' team were 5-0 up at half time, eventually running out eight goal victors.



The girls' team (modelling their new strip courtesy of the PTA) were all square at half-time but managed to assert some authority in the second-half and ran out 5-2 winners. Well done to both teams.



HALE PREP MAKE IT TO THE FINALS

Hale Prep took part in heat 6 of the Trafford Schools Indoor Athletics event at Ashton on Mersey Secondary School, Sale on Wednesday. The team was in fine form, running, jumping, and throwing excellently. Hale finished first of the six schools present, earning a place in the Trafford finals on Tuesday 5th March.



TRAFFORD SCHOOLS' DODGEBALL

This afternoon, Hale Prep took part in the Trafford Schools' Dodgeball competition at the Be Active Leisure Centre, Urmston—details of how we got on will be in next week's newsletter.

ISA NORTH CROSS COUNTRY THURS 8TH FEBRUARY

We would be most grateful if parents could try to get out with their children over the next couple of weeks before the race. The Year 3 & 4 children will be running 1500m, and the Year 5 & 6 children will run 2000m. Practice running on grass would be very beneficial. Thanks in advance for any preparation you can do at weekends.

SPORTS DAY

A provisional date has been set for Sports Day, which is Friday, 17th May. This year, it will be at Bowdon Sports Club on the AstroTurf. The infants will be mid-morning and the juniors in the afternoon. Please put the date in your diaries.

CRICKETERS

Winter nets have started for Ashley CC at Blessed Thomas Holford. This Sunday, junior girls are very welcome to come along to a FREE taster session between 9.30 and 10.30 in their super sports hall. If interested, they can then book on the club's Dynamo course, which you can read about here <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/Course/8be98057-1964-456e-96ad-4b08c4eae60b>

On Mondays, it is the turn of any child aged 5 to 8 years. You can find more information and book the younger children in at <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/Course/76b0a632-085b-4673-9be6-37fca1a056ba>

YEAR 1 VISITOR

In history, Year 1 pupils are learning about Florence Nightingale and how nursing has changed over time. Today, we had a visit from a modern-day nurse. The children thoroughly enjoyed the visit – particularly listening to a real stethoscope! To further support this topic, on Tuesday, 6th February, Year 1 will spend the day taking part in a Florence Nightingale Workshop involving role-play, dressing up and other activities.



RECEPTION TOPIC 'SHOPS'

Reception children have had great fun this week with our topic, 'Shops'. We've placed a 'Whoosh!' order and today made sandwiches with the ingredients we ordered. We ate them too!

