

Hudson Primary School & Family Wellbeing Centre

Weekly Newsletter for Families

Friday 2nd July 2021



HUDSON SCHOOL NEWS - Headteacher; Niki Craddock

Sports week was a big hit this week for the weather, we have been really lucky to have had a full week outdoors, making full use of all of the facilities we are lucky to have at our school! Many thanks families for ensuring that your child was well prepared in kit as frequently as possible, sun cream and water at the ready - well done everyone!

We had a miniature version of Sports day on Tuesday, the children seemed to enjoy the two events that they took part in against their peers. We were really thankful that we were still able to give the children this experience with the restrictions children and schools are currently under. We are still hopeful for some more normality to be introduced fairly soon.

Today we are supporting Cancer Research on our annual Race for life event. The children will all receive medals for their efforts to complete a 3k circuit of our locality. This is a great achievement and a very worthy cause for our donations. Please can families return their money if paying in cash to the school office next week. There are only a couple of the children who have registered online so we are expecting quite a few children to be bringing their cash in by Friday 9th July. Thanks in advance for supporting us and the charity to get this achieved.

This week the children have also been focused on Relationships and Health education. Via ClassDojo I shared the content of their learning (just before half term, but I have attached again, see end of letter).

This is a new statutory curriculum for all of the children and we have had the support of 1Decision our school PSHCE scheme in its delivery. Your little one may come home wanting to talk about their body parts, changes and relationships to enthral you all.

If you are looking for guidance on any information for parents to support conversations with your child, then please use these: <https://www.1decision.co.uk/resources/parent-carer-zone> or

<https://www.bigtalkeducation.co.uk/parents/parents-sex-education-questions-answered/>

Next week we will have our final assessment of learning time. This will be a chance for us to consolidate the progress and attainment of all of the children and prepare well in advance for support for next year. Please help us to complete the week successfully by ensuring your child is attending school and is punctual too. On Friday we will complete the week with our **Wear your Rainbow day for Radio Cities Liverpool based charity**. This like most events is payable using ParentPay - £1 donation.

Last but certainly not least a great big well done to our Year 6 cricket champions who won the MADCOS summer cricket competition on Wednesday - another trophy for the cabinet. Well done Rowan class 😊

PREPARE FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday

- **Its Assessment week at Hudson**
- Swimming for Elder class at the Meadows pool, all return back at school at 3.10pm

Tuesday

- Final Homework back in to teachers to be marked, re-set and sent home on Friday

Friday

- **Wear your rainbow charity non uniform event £1 donation on ParentPay**
- Relax Kids session with Year 6



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CELEBRATORY NEWS - EVERYONE EXPERIENCES EXCELLENCE...

Friday brings us smiles, and celebrations. This week join our team in giving due praise and recognition to our shining stars of excellence and champions of behaviour.

Our **Behaviour Charter Champions** are:

- Little Acorns Class 2 year olds** (Mrs Spafford & Team): Mason GS
- Little Acorns Classes 3 and 4 year olds** (Mrs Kelly & Team): Thomas S
- Maple Class** (Miss Chapman & Team): Whole Class
- Yew Class** (Miss Goodwin & Team): Kieran S
- Sycamore Class** (Mrs Whitelaw & Team): Whole Class
- Silver birch Class** (Miss Morrissey & Team): Lilliemae C
- Elder Class** (Mr Roberts & Team): Cody H
- Oak Class** (Miss Cavanagh & Team): Ruby C
- Chestnut Class** (Mrs Macpherson & Team): Isabella Mc
- Beech Class** (Miss Birtwhistle & Team): Harrison S
- Rowan Class** (Mrs McNally & Miss McCann): Millie D

We can also not forget to mention and give praise to those who have demonstrated **Excellence within their learning, our EEE winners!**

- Little Acorns Class 2 year olds** (Mrs Spafford & Team): Thomas A
- Little Acorns Classes 3 and 4 year olds** (Mrs Kelly & Team): Whole Class
- Maple Class** (Miss Chapman & Team): Whole Class
- Yew Class** (Miss Goodwin & Team): Whole Class
- Sycamore Class** (Mrs Whitelaw & Team): Miss Nichols
- Silver birch Class** (Miss Morrissey & Team): Chloe J
- Elder Class** (Mr Roberts & Team): Whole Class
- Oak Class** (Miss Cavanagh & Team): Kaitlyn B
- Chestnut Class** (Mrs Macpherson & Team): Emily Mc
- Beech Class** (Miss Birtwhistle & Team): Daniel M
- Rowan Class** (Mrs McNally & Miss McCann): Luke D

Be sure to ask your child to tell you all about the work they have displayed or discussed proudly in school this week. I am certain they will do superb job of this!

Our final award is our **Kindness cup** - and this week it goes to **Mark F in Beech Class**. Mark is a beautiful little character within the class, and this week he has really been thoughtful and responsive to lots of the little ones from Yew Class. He is always trying to look after them and keep them safe and his kindness has really shone brightly. Well done mark you little star!

Our Hudson Reading Challenge and EYFS Nursery Rhyme Certification really helps us to reward those children taking Literature seriously. This is a real challenge and we love to celebrate these achievements throughout the school year. We will be rewarding this again so plan to get started soon!

Maybe I can do this after all

SAFETY NOTICES

Please be aware that the parking outside of school is limited, but we need to be considerate of the neighbours and not park over driveways or on grass verges.

This can be extremely hazardous and you could be fined, it is also causing the residents great stress!

We are a community school that thrives on building respectful relationships with our community.

In the Maghull Community pages of social media the school is being badly advertised for careless community parking, please help to eradicate this.

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Names in school items - Please could you check that summer uniform is labelled please, lots of families looking for items that are identical to other children's without a name in it!

Attendance - Please can I remind everyone how important it is to let the office know why your child is absent! Either ring and leave a message, use the app or lastly dojo. We need to know exactly why/how your child is unwell. The nature of the illness is vital, especially at this current time. Please make sure you have a read all of the guidance sent out via dojo regarding the different covid tests and when to use them.

Wraparound Care from September - New Prices from September. Breakfast Club £3 and Willow Den

YR6 Photo's - Please can we have and proofs returned with payment by 9th July if you require the yr6 class photo.

Please note the school APP is no longer in use Classdojo is the place to go for updates!

Have a lovely weekend, take care everyone! Niki Craddock and Team

SCHOOL EVENTS 2020-2021 - SUMMER TERM

Week	Date of event	Event title and details
5 th July	ALL WEEK	Assessment week
5 th July	Friday 9 th July	Friday will be charity day - Wear Your Rainbow! £1 donation for Radio cities local charity
12 th July	ALL WEEK	Transition starts for all Hudson children - getting ready for the new year ahead It is time for our children to meet their class teachers and get familiar with their new classroom environment for after the summer holidays.
12 th July	Thursday 15 th July	Nursey Graduation Celebration A beautiful ceremony for our Nursery children moving on into their Reception class in September.
WE SHOULD KNOW MORE ABOUT FAMILY INVOLVEMENT IN SCHOOL LIFE BY THIS POINT		
19 th July	Monday 19 th July	School End of Year reports go home It is time to review the years learning and progress, all children will bring home their report envelope today.
19 th July	Tuesday 20 th July	Hudson's Got Talent show It's performance time again at Hudson. This is a fantastic variety performance and a chance for our amazing children to show off their talents.
19 th July	Wednesday 21 st July	Leavers Assembly A beautiful ceremony for our Y6 children moving on to their new Secondary school in September.
19 th July	Wednesday 21 st July	Report drop in time or a chance to meet the new class teacher from 3.30pm If you have any queries about your child's report this is an opportunity to drop in and chat with the class teacher. <i>Pending 14th June announcement</i>
19 th July	Thursday 22 nd July	End of Year Praise Assembly The end of the school year has arrived - a time of reflection
19 th July	Thursday 22 nd July	End of year - school finishes at 1pm today Please remember that today your child needs collecting at 1pm and unfortunately there will not be any Willow den after school care available.

What is high quality relationship & sex education?

The law requires that, from September 2020, relationships and sex education (RSE) is taught in all secondary schools in England, and that relationships education is taught in all primary schools in England. In addition, National Curriculum Science (which is taught in maintained schools) includes some elements of sex education.

Identified elements of high quality RSE as defined by a group of Professionals and Young People, which was endorsed by the NCB, The Sex Education Forum, Barnardo's, NSPCC and The Children's society were....

- RSE is an identifiable part of a personal, social, health and economic (PSHE) education curriculum, which has planned, timetabled lessons across all the Key Stages
- It is taught by staff regularly trained in RSE and PSHE (with expert visitors invited in to enhance and supplement the programme where appropriate).
- Good quality RSE works in partnership with parents and carers, informing them about what their children will be learning and about how they can contribute at home.
- It is delivered in lessons where pupils feel safe and encourages participation by using a variety of teaching approaches with opportunities to develop critical thinking and relationship skills
- It is based on reliable sources of information, including about the law and legal rights, and distinguishes between fact and opinion.
- **Good age appropriate RSE promotes safe, equal, caring and enjoyable relationships and discusses real-life issues appropriate to the age and stage of pupils, including friendships, families, consent, relationship abuse, sexual exploitation and safe relationships online.**
- It gives a positive view of human sexuality, with honest and medically accurate information, so that pupils can learn about their bodies and sexual and reproductive health in ways that are appropriate to their age and maturity.
- It provides pupils with opportunities to reflect on values and influences (such as from peers, media, faith and culture) that may shape their attitudes to relationships and sex, and nurtures respect for different views.
- It includes learning about how to get help and treatment from sources such as the school nurse and other health and advice services, including reliable information online.
- Good quality RSE fosters gender equality and LGBT+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans) equality and challenges all forms of discrimination in RSE lessons and in every-day school life.
- Meets the needs of all pupils with their diverse experiences - including those with special educational needs and disabilities
- Seeks pupils' views about RSE so that teaching can be made relevant to their real lives and assessed and adapted as their needs change

Frequently asked questions

Why start early?

- Because safeguarding from an early age is essential.



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- Young children are fabulous, as all parents know they ask loads of questions, not least of all about their bodies and your body!
- If they are asking questions they deserve answers.
- Ask yourself how would you like your children to learn about their bodies, their relationships and how babies are made?

Sex Education at four, surely not?

- Relationship & Sex Education is an umbrella term used to describe a whole host of topics not just reproduction; some things are vital for even a four-year-old to be aware of, for example good and bad touches.
- Age appropriateness is the key, using the words, resources and approach that is most effective when addressing the issues relevant to their age as they grow and mature.

Won't relationship and sex education take away the children's innocence?

- Knowledge about their bodies won't stop them wanting to fly kites, go sledging or make sand castles.
- When body science is discussed they just add it to their knowledge bank, it is often us as adults that have the concerns.
- The world is changing and protecting our children with age appropriate information about risk is vital. Nothing takes away innocence quicker than sexual abuse.

Why do children need to know the words penis and vagina?

- It is really important that children know the correct scientific names for their genitals along with other parts of their bodies.
- In the event of them ever being inappropriately touched they have the vocabulary to give exact information. For example, "they touched my Minnie/tuppence/flower" is very vague as opposed to "they touched my vagina".
- Child abusers prefer uneducated children - those who don't have the words and knowledge of what's right and wrong.
- [Research](#) shows that an educated child is three times more likely to speak out if they are subjected to abuse.

Do children really need sex education? I didn't have sex education when I was at School.

- When today's adults were at School the world was a very different place, no mobile phones with cameras, no sexting, no easy available access to pornography or strangers via the Internet.
- It is imperative we educate children to be aware of the risks, so they know to come to trusted adults with their questions about their bodies, relationships and sex etc. rather than the internet.

How can I find out more?

- BigTalk Education have published a book *Bodies, Babies and Bellybuttons* for use with four year olds and upwards, also suitable for special educational needs pupils and those on the Autism spectrum. <https://www.bigtalkeducation.co.uk/parents/parents-sex-education-questions-answered/>

In Summary what does this mean for my child at Hudson?

Dear families,

As you know, we are approaching the teaching of our Health and Relationship lessons in our final summer half term. This teaching will be delivered through the amazing resource of 1decision. This is a kite marked scheme and ensures that children are taught all they need to know in accordance to the compulsory National Curriculum.

Years 1-3 focuses on relationships and the basis of a health relationship with others:

Year 1 - Friendships

- Friendship looks at how we behave within our friendships and how these behaviours can affect others.

Year 2 - Bullying

- Bullying looks at how our actions and words can affect others, and it enables students to explore kind and positive behaviours.

Year 3 - Body Language and Touch

- Body Language looks at recognising how other people may be feeling and allows students to explore different ways we can express our emotions.
- Touch looks at appropriate and inappropriate touch and enables students to explore who they can talk to if they feel uncomfortable in a relationship.

Years 4-6 has a focus on growing and changing:

Year 4 - Appropriate touch (relationships)

- Appropriate Touch explores the difficult subject of how relationships can be unhealthy or uncomfortable

Year 5 - Puberty

- Puberty is a short animation video that looks at the different changes boys and girls go through during puberty.

Year 6 - Conception

- Conception is a short animation video that looks at how a baby is conceived and the various stages of pregnancy.

If you have any further questions regarding the delivery of these units, please feel free to contact your child's class teacher. For more information about the 1Decision resources being used in school please see <https://www.1decision.co.uk/resources/parent-carer-zone>

Please be assured that all learning is delivered in an age appropriate and suitable manner and all follows the compulsory curriculum outlined by the DfE.

Kind regards,

PSHCE Leader Miss Macpherson