

# Hennock Community Primary School

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## Hennock School Newsletter Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017

### Message from Head of School

#### School Council

I wanted to draw your attention to the School Council we run here as I am very proud of them and the impact they have on so many things. In a nutshell 'The School Council' is a body of pupils who run weekly meetings (supported, but not led by, a staff member) where they discuss matters arising that affect our school and day to day experiences. They shape and mould our school in so many ways.

This year we have pledged as British Citizens to make a difference to others in our school, our community and worldwide. Our current pledges include getting active at the beginning of each day through our Games Makers, impacting on members of our community by making links with 'Soup and Puds' members and helping people across the world through our Shoe Box appeal. If you'd like to learn more about our Council meetings please pop into Birch where you can pick up a copy of previous minutes and see what they're working on.

### Diary Dates

Children in Need raised £41.93

#### **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November**

Hennock Christmas Fair 2pm

#### **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

Photo choices to be returned to school

#### **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

Willow Natural Learning – whole morning at Methley Meadows

#### **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

Year 5+6 High five netball at Chudleigh Knighton 1-3pm

Important  
DATE!



### **Stars of the Week**

Willow – Pearl  
Ash – Cody  
Courtesy Cup -  
Zico

### **Attendance**

Whole school  
97.6%

Ash – 96.8%  
Willow – 98.5%

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### Saplings News

I would like to start by saying a massive thank you to all you who bought cakes on Friday. The Sapling children had great fun making and decorating them and we managed to raise over £30 for Children in Need.

This week the children looking out for initial sounds in our names and other simple words. We learnt the rhyme 'Betty Botter'.

In 'Muddy Maths' the children have been looking at measurement. They have been exploring sticks and on Wednesday made 'magic mud'. They had a great time exploring the 'magic mud' and how it changed.

On Friday Saplings took responsibility for decorating the library, this included the Christmas tree. The children made some of their own decorations to make our tree extra special!

### Willow News

We have had a fantastic Discovery Time this week with all the children engaging fully with the Maths resources and exploring their Maths potentials. I was very proud of Reuben, Oren and Frankie. Reuben and Oren for being excellent teachers and Frankie for being a great student and learning from them. Finley and Pearl did not stop and were keen to take on challenges. Artie and Ada have been doing some brilliant adding and using resources to both solve their own problems and prove their answers are right.

Arlo has been working really hard this week and has shown excellent concentration when doing independent activities.

Well done to Eva and Ada this week for both moving up a book band and to Reuben and Gabe for both getting ten Achievosaurus stickers. The children are doing well at their reading and spellings. Please continue to encourage them to read 5 times a week and to practice their spellings 3 times a week.

### Ash News

We have started a new English sequence: over the next few weeks, we shall be building towards writing a balanced argument about deforestation. In Geography, the children used the new laptops to research information about the endangered forests in Madagascar, the Greater Mekong and the Amazon. As an elicitation task the children have had a go at writing a balanced argument around the question 'Should Year 6 be allowed mobile phones?' Perhaps you would like to discuss the subject with your child at home - there were plenty of opinions!

On Friday we welcomed parents to join us in making the sets and props for our Production. We have had great fun creating today and very much look forward to sharing our play in a couple of weeks' time. NB: Costumes are now due in in a named bag please.

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