

Huxley CE Primary School Newsletter



*With God's
love we can fly*

20.10.23

Water, water, everywhere

Apologies for the late that usual newsletter, Friday did not go as planned. The rain caused havoc in the roads around school and pipes on the land next to school had burst, flooding the field next to school which in turn ran out onto the road. The sheer volume of water meant that many roads were closed or blocked for many of you travel to and from school. I hope that you all got home alright. Thank you for your communication and help with the children on Friday- it was very much appreciated by us all.

Autumn term has flown by but what a positive start to the year for us all. Well done everyone! I hope you have a wonderful, restful break.

You should all now have your parents evening appointment times. If not, please contact Miss Lloyd to organise one. As always, please turn up on time for your appointment, otherwise staff may ask the next appointment to come in so they can keep to timings. Also if you feel that you need a longer appointment then please organise this with the teachers for another day so not to hold anyone up.

On Monday I met with several heads of CDAT schools. It was a great meeting and I am very excited about Huxley becoming part of the CDAT family. There were lots of talk about future projects and events which will be great to be part of. We will be holding another drop in parents meeting with Neil Dixon (CEO of CDAT) on 16th November 2-3pm (before pick up) should you wish to attend and ask any further questions with regards to academisation.

Maths journals- each child should have brought home a maths journal this week. These are mainly to support flexi children however full time children will also benefit from accessing these as a recap/revision tool. The books are directly in line with our white rose maths work that the children are completing in class and your class teachers will direct you as to whereabouts the children are up to in class.

Please remember that Monday 30th October is an INSET and will be staff only in school. Children return Tuesday 31st October.

Many thanks

Mrs Gourley

DIARY DATES 2023

19th October- Flexi children finish for half term

20th October – Full time pupils finish for half term- normal finish time 3.15pm

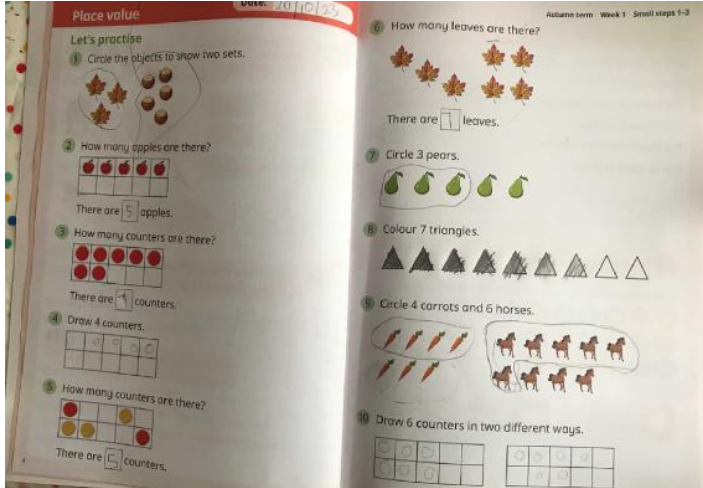
30.10.23- inset- staff only

31.10.23- children return for Autumn 2 term

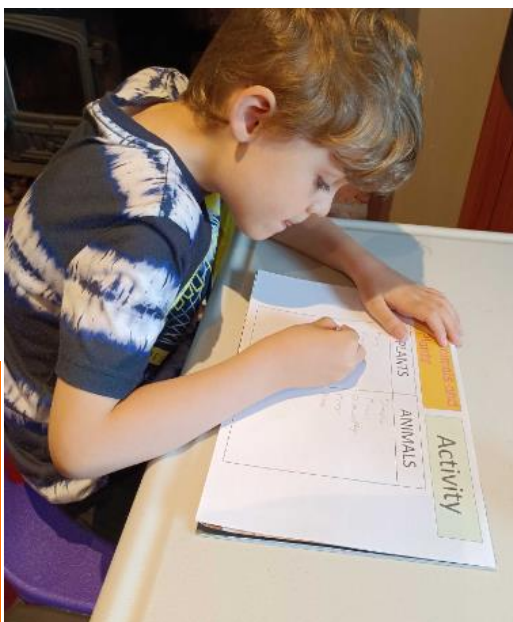
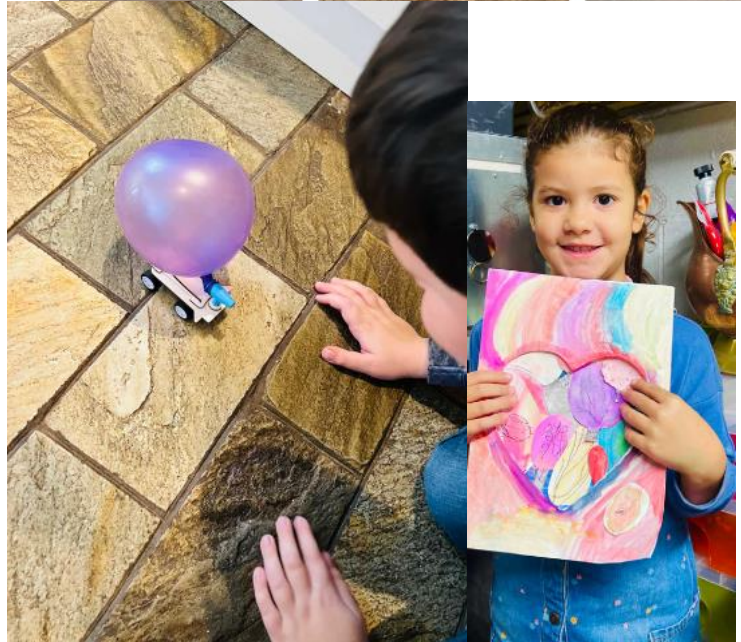
02.11.23- Parents Evening

16.11.23- CDAT parents drop in session

Showbie Show



W/C 9 Oct: this weeks nature study theme was Pond Study. We look for how the plants were preparing for Autumn and looked for animals. We drew in our nature journals when we got home. We read the poem The Pond by Amy Lowell and discussed the art work The Water-Lily Pond Water Lilies by Claude Monet.



British Woodland Animals

Questions

- What percentage of the UK is woodland?
 13%
 24%
 10%
 5%
- What change in the diet of the comma butterfly has led to population growth since the 1960s?
They changed their diet to eat nettles.
- Why are comma butterflies so called?
They've got comma shaped markings on their ^{underwings}
- Name three qualities that spotted wolf spiders have that enable them to hunt their prey.
They are very quick, speedy and have great sight.
- Where do frogs lay their spawn?
In shallow water.
- Find and copy a word that means 'eats other animals'.
Carnivorous.
- What is one way you can tell a slow worm from a snake?
Slow worms have eyelids but snakes don't!
- Name two animals that are eaten by slow worms.
Slugs and earth worms.
- How many breeding pairs of goshawks are believed to be in the wild?
400.
- What do you think 'diurnal' means?
Is awake during daytime.
- What is the most common wild rodent in Britain?
Wood mice.