

# The Flying Newt



No:05 Week ending 05.10.18

**Dear Parents/Carers, Children, Staff and Governors,**

It's been a lovely week with all sorts of super learning taking place and of course, so much that we are finding out about children and their families through your marvellous **Family Tapestries**. Thank you so much for the love and effort that you have put into these: it gives an insight into your child's learning in their wider context of life. I have thoroughly enjoyed reading each and every one. Thank you: as ever, this is such an enormous privilege for me ☺ The **key themes gathered from the school are: Drawing, Arts and Crafts, Animals – Dinosaurs, Lego (once again!), Food and Family Time**. A lovely selection and already we are now on the lookout for some adult Lego 'experts' (from our community please and wider connections if you can!) and cooking up suggestions for how we can make the most of these Supermagic Days. Let us know if you have ideas to help! Some **delightful strengths are emerging from our children** particularly in the following areas: swimming, gymnastics, technology and riding a bike as well as children who are looking forward to learning many new and exciting things! The **themes that has emerged from parents/carers are related to helping children to build resilience, knowing that making mistakes is part of learning, helping children to be curious and inspired with the learning**. Classes have celebrated today with chats about what classes are interested in and what they can do and we celebrated our diversity and similarities in Assembly, too! **Thanks again to all of your for your efforts – much appreciated.**

I know it's hard to believe but we only have 2 weeks until we break for half term. Next Monday, **Parent/Carer consultation appointments** will be released. Please book your 10 minute slot via the Groupcall email and, if you have a child in two classes, please allow time between appointments to look at books and for any possible delays. **A pre-consultation letter will go out via email on Monday**. This provides an overview of how and what consultations cover. Should you have any specific enquiry/question, please note your comments at time of booking so that your child's class teacher can prepare for anything specific you have raised for the meeting. Other than that, the meeting will cover Maths, English, behaviour, what your child is doing well, what next steps there are and of course, an opportunity for you to see all of your child's books. **Children in Year 1 and Year 2** are invited to attend the meeting as it is helpful to have all the interested parties working together! If there are any sensitive matters to be exchanged, children may wait to one side/outside the classroom. Thank you.

For our **Harvest Celebrations** our chosen focus is **sharing, giving and teamwork** and our key story this year is 'The Great Big Enormous Turnip' which is a well-known traditional tale. The charity as chosen by School Council + Eco is 'WaterAid'. Children have asked **that boxes of cereal and tins of fruit are sent in WITH a £2 coin or 2 x £1 coins sellotaped on the top**. The food will go to make our own food bank at school. **If you're ready, please start sending your donations in so that we are all set by Friday 19 October**. Thank you in advance for your generosity ☺

Well done to the **26 Year 2 School Council children who stepped up to be tour guides** at our Wednesday open day. We had a busy morning with 40 families looking around our school who complimented the skills, confidence and enthusiasm of their guides. Well done children and well done staff – it's been a busy week!

**Eye tests:** Just to remind you that children do not have their eyes tested at school; Reception children have hearing screenings and their height and weight measured. If your child has not had their eyes tested for a while, it would be useful to do so not least as sight issues are on the increase for children and adults due to screen time.

Have a super weekend.  
Warmest wishes, HJP  
Headteacher

**Preview Learning: What's coming up next week in...**

**N:** Our five senses

**R:** Learning about the changes that happen in Autumn

**1:** Maths: we will be learning about money and the value of different coins

**2:** Maths: multiplication and division

## Meal Taster

Come and taste the delicious food that is made on site from scratch each day for your child's lunch! An array of delectable dishes to try will be available on Monday 8 October in the school hall. Please do come from 3.15pm onwards for a taste! ☺

## Childhood Illnesses

Just to remind you that it is the School's and the government's policy that children who have had vomiting and/or diarrhoea MUST have 48 hours clear before returning to school.

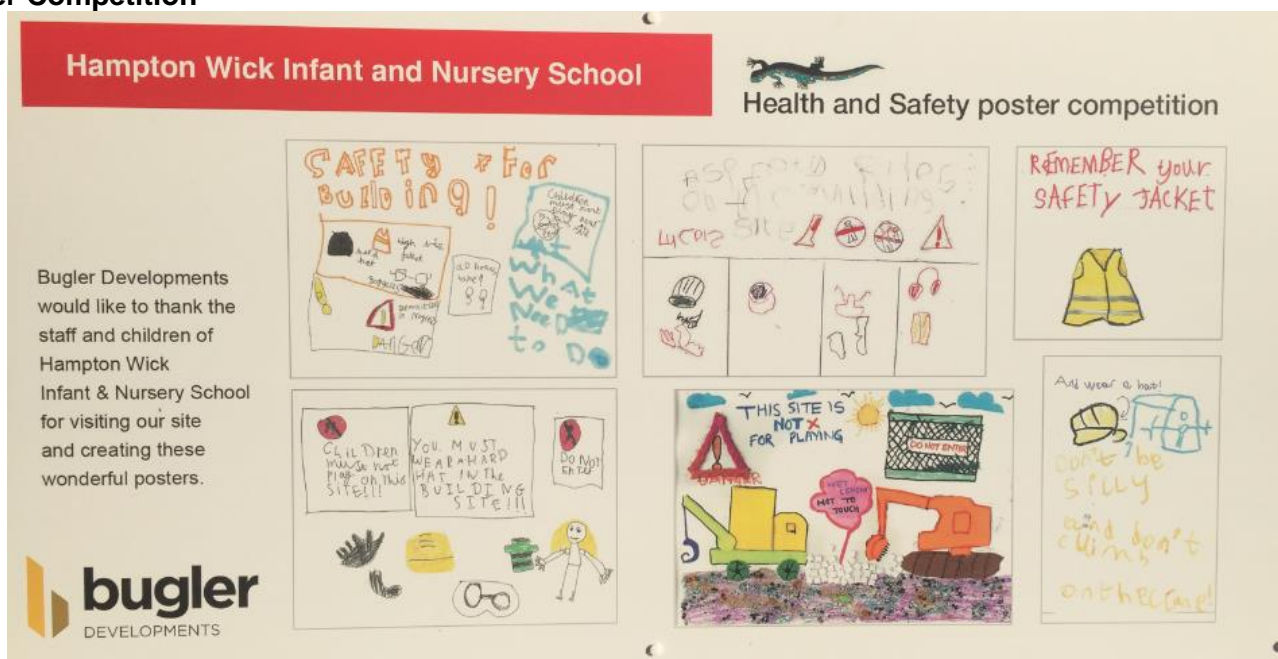
## Absence reporting

If you need to report your child's absence from school due to sickness or a medical appointment please use the following email address [absence@hamptonwick.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:absence@hamptonwick.richmond.sch.uk) or alternatively you can call the school office on 020 8977 3971 and select option 1 and leave a message with your child's name and reason for the absence.

## Pick up arrangements

Please remember to inform the office staff of regular pick up arrangements for your child. We require the name, telephone number and a photograph to be emailed to the school office, even if the pick up details are the same as last year. Most of the children have a different class teacher this year and these teachers may not recognise the family member, childminder or friend collecting your child. Thank you.

## Bugler Competition



## Safeguarding

All staff at our school receive at least annual Safeguarding training. Over the past couple of weeks, staff have had 2 lectures: basic safeguarding training which includes procedural aspects as well as information on types of abuse and this week, FGM (female genital mutilation) and Prevent (anti-terrorism training which can manifest itself in many ways).

Please remember to talk with a member of staff should you have concerns related to a child/family which fall into safeguarding. Always better to raise concerns than to say nothing.

Are you concerned about the safety or welfare of a child? If so, please contact:

**Marita Cunniffe - Assistant Headteacher** (Designated Safeguarding Lead); **Heidi Johnson Paul - Headteacher** (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead); **Shelley Pawley-Nita - Senior Administrator** (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead); **Adam Makepeace - Lead Governor** (phone number in the Child Protection Policy)

Local Authority Designated Officer **Alice Stott** [lado@achievingforchildren.org.uk](mailto:lado@achievingforchildren.org.uk) on 020 8891 7370 or 07774 332675

**SPA** phone number 020 8547 5008 or [www.richmond.gov.uk](http://www.richmond.gov.uk) and search **Single Point of Access**

### Message from FHWINS Chair

Thank you to all the helpers who stepped in to get messy with **Christmas card making** in Reception and Nursery this week. Most Rudolph's had red noses, most Christmas trees were green, but most importantly I hope all your children came home with tales of messy paint fun! All designs (including home designs from Y1&2) have been sent off to the printers and will be in book bags shortly for ordering!

The **Wilderness cafe's new coffee machine** has been quite busy this week - if there are any mums/dads/carers who are up for serving in the cafe for an hour every other week, please get in touch with Anna Buset via Classlist - if you still have not signed up please do at [www.classlist.com](http://www.classlist.com) so you don't miss out on news and events to get involved in.

Have a great weekend,  
Amy & Sam

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### Message from Olu Oke

Dear Parents & Carers of Hampton Wick Infant and Nursery,

I hope that you are all well and that you have your morning routines down to perfection!

As some of you know I resigned from the post as PTA Chair because I had been accepted onto a Master's degree. My Masters is in Children's Book Illustration. Mrs Johnson Paul has kindly given me permission to become a short-term Artist in Residence to complete my first term's project which I have chosen to be 'School Life'.

The objective is to observe and draw all aspects of school life; the rush of a morning drop off, dinner ladies prepping lunch, break time in the staff room, the school office, the caretakers room and of course the children!

I will be drawing at the school about twice a week, so if you see me hanging around watching you intently or with a board on my lap madly scribbling you know what I'm doing! There will be no photography, not even for reference, as the objective of this project is to draw, draw and draw some more! The images are for research and reference only and will not appear on any social media platform. If you have any questions or just want a chat please do approach me. Feel free to peep over my shoulder, but excuse any images that look surreal - I'm no Michaelangelo!

Take care

Olu

Community Diary Dates		
08 October 2018	Monday 8	Consultations appointments are released
		3.15pm School Meal taster session
	Tuesday 9	
	Wednesday 10	8.30am - New Helpers' Meeting
	Thursday 11	3.30pm Reading workshop for all helpers, parents and carers
	Friday 12	
15 October 2018	Monday 15	3:40pm-7:00pm Parent/carer Consultations, Nursery, Rec, Yr1 & Yr2
	Tuesday 16	3:40pm-7:00pm Parent/carer Consultations, Nursery, Rec, Yr1 & Yr2
	Wednesday 17	9:10am-11:20am & 1:00pm-3:00pm Parent/carer Consultations <b>Nursery only</b>
	Thursday 18	
	Friday 19	Whole school Harvest Celebration Assembly – theme: Sharing, Giving and Teamwork - children only
		Target books out
22 October 2018		<b>Monday 22 – Friday 26 Half Term</b>