



HALE PREP SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Friday 20th March 2026

	RECEPTION		YEAR 1					
INFANT WEEKLY TROPHY	Nancy		Isla					
	Year 2	Year 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6			
STAR OF THE WEEK CERTIFICATE	Theodore	Isaac	Selene	Ayaan	Georgia			
NUMBOTS	RECEPTION		YEAR 1		YEAR 2			
	Clever Cubs	Wise Owls	CleverComets	SuperStars				
	Harrison	Alexander	Louis	Jude	Miraya			
TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS - these children earned the most coins on TTRS in their year group this week.			YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	
	--	--	Miraya	Atulya 3K Elle 3L	Elisa 4L Mahira 4M	Francesca 5G Ruby 5R	Sky 6O Zero 6P	
Congratulations to the children on achieving a bronze, silver or gold certificate – this means they have earned 25, 50 or 75 gold stars.	BRONZE	Year 1 – Jude Year 5 – Year 6 – Laksh						
	SILVER	Year 1 – Louis Year 3 – Alaria Year 4 – Jasmine Year 5 – Alyssia, Freya, Kannan, Mollie Year 6 –						
	Gold	Year 3 – Jibriel						
ATTENDANCE	No class achieved 100% attendance this week							





YEAR 6 GEOGRAPHY TRIP TO CHESTER ZOO – Mrs Baker

On Monday, Year 6 pupils headed off to Chester Zoo as part of their geography topic on the Amazon Rainforest. The groups were extremely lucky to see jaguars up close, as well as tamanduas and a glimpse of the giant otters. The classroom session had the pupils

investigating the different layers of the rainforest with its creatures, sounds and smells! A lovely day out. Many thanks to Mrs Igoe and Mrs Shaw for accompanying the children.



YEAR 4 GEOGRAPHY TRIP TO SHREWSBURY –

Mrs Baker

On Tuesday, Year 4 had an adventure by train to Shrewsbury to visit the longest river in the UK, the River Severn. The children had a guided tour of Shrewsbury Prison, looking at the cells and understanding that prison life in Victorian times was hard! Obviously, a few ghost stories intrigued both children and adults. After lunch, a walk down to the river in the sunshine enabled the children to climb aboard the Serena and enjoy a peaceful sail along the river, looking at the important landmarks.



A fantastic day was had by all. Many thanks to Mrs Bird, Mrs McAteer and Mrs Slater for their time and support; hopefully, they found the experience as enjoyable as the children did.



FOOTBALL – Mr Evans

On Monday, the Years 2 and 3 team won 4-1 against Forest Prep! The boys showed fantastic teamwork, effort, and a solid all-around performance.

FOOTBALL – Mr Cunningham

On Monday, the Year 5 football team played a friendly match against Forest Prep. The team played really well and won 7-0. It was a great team effort with some superb goals and brilliant defending. Well done team!



GIRLS' FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT – Mr Connor

The girls once again did themselves and the school proud. In the final four league games of the season, the team narrowly lost one, won one and drew two. The team finished second in the league and has qualified to play in the finals next Tuesday. Many congratulations to Lyla, Poppy, Georgia, Sofia, Francesca, Naava, Lily and Georgia



RECEPTION STUDY LOCAL HOUSES

On Tuesday, Reception had a lovely walk in the sunshine, exploring the different types of houses in the area. They found big houses, small houses, old houses and new houses! They made fantastic observations and asked lots of thoughtful questions!



RAMADAN AND EID

A huge thank you to Mrs Mohammed, who spoke to Year 2 on Wednesday about Ramadan and Eid. The class enjoyed eating dates and wearing traditional clothing, alongside learning all about the festivals!



BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK CONTINUED



Thank you again to all the parents who came into school to talk to the children about their science-related careers. Year 3 enjoyed a visit from a parent pharmacist, and this week, a team from Manchester University, led by a parent, gave a science workshop to Years 5 & 6 on chemical reactions and catalysts.



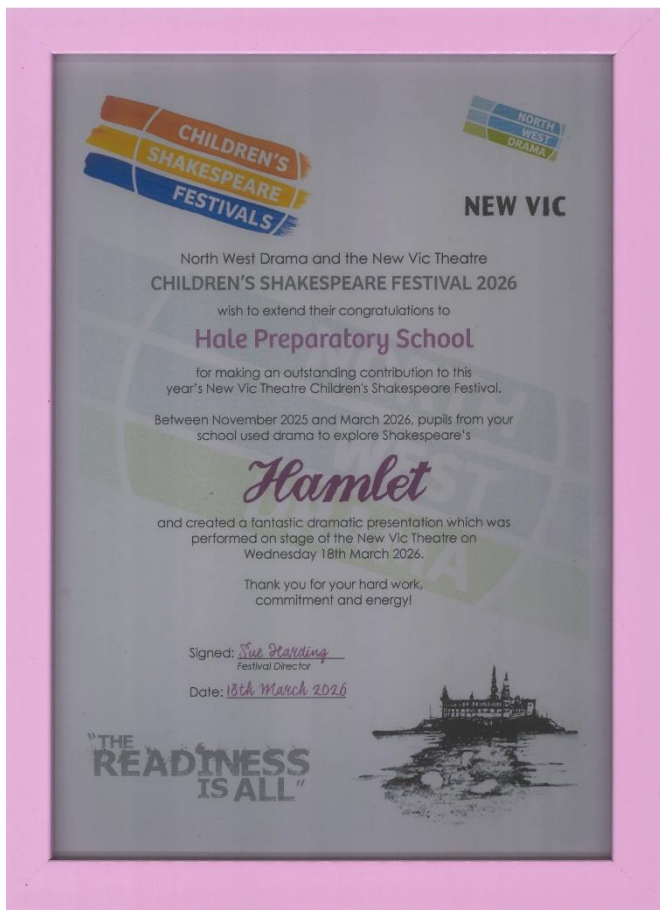
CHILDREN'S SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL 2026

Since September, Miss Rodgers and the members of the Shakespeare Festival Club have been working hard towards their participation in this year's Children's Shakespeare Festival.

The children were amazing, and a credit to the school. The children, their parents, and Miss Rodgers should all be very proud.

We were not permitted to take photographs at the event, but professional photographs were taken and we will share these with you when we receive them.

Congratulations to Year 6 – Alice, Charlotte, Eloise, Grace, Lily, Zero Year 5 – Alex, Annabelle C, Ethan, Juliet, Nicholas, Sofia B Year 4 – Anna, Elisa, Emily, Eva, Freyja, Maeven, Naomi, Selene, Tallulah



YEAR 2 MULTI-SKILLS FESTIVAL

Year 2 had a fantastic time on their sports festival trip to Forest Prep School. The children took part in a range of activities including football, dodgeball, and handball, with a strong focus on fun and staying active. They finished it off with a well-earned hot chocolate and flapjack, which everyone thoroughly enjoyed. A big thank you to Forest Prep for hosting such an enjoyable and energetic day!



FREE TASTER SESSIONS AT BOWDON HOCKEY CLUB

Bowdon Hockey Club has asked us to share the information below regarding taster sessions with our parents. They have also just launched a Crowdfunding appeal to raise funds to replace the badly worn Astro turf. The club is used seven days a week, not only for hockey, but also by local football clubs, schools, community groups and holiday camps. Further information on how you can help them raise funds can be found on their website. <https://www.bowdonhockey.co.uk>



BOWDON HOCKEY CLUB COME AND TRY HOCKEY!

We'd like to welcome boys and girls from Reception to Year 6 to come along to try hockey at Bowdon for taster sessions after Easter.

These will run on **Sundays 19th, 26th April and 3rd, 10th and 17th May 2026** and cost £5 per session. Timings are as follows:

Reception - Year 3:	9.00 -10.00am
Years 4 & 5:	10.00- 11.15am
Years 6 - 8:	11.15am - 12.30pm

Players should **register and pay on arrival by scanning the QR code** on the noticeboard to the right of the pitch gate. We can lend sticks but need players to have their own shipads and gumshield (available from all sports shops).

If interested in attending, **please email sundayjuniors@bowdonhockey.co.uk with your child's name and year as well as the date they will attend**, so we can monitor numbers.

Read more: www.bowdonhockey.co.uk

Find us: Bowdon Hockey Club, South Downs Road, Bowdon, WA14 3DT

Follow us: @Bowdonhc on Instagram

Email: sundayjuniors@bowdonhockey.co.uk



EASTER EGG RAFFLE

Once again, we have been given an incredible Easter Egg by Slattery's which is being raffled to raise funds for Children's Cancer Research Charity, also known as Friends of Rosie. The school council will be selling tickets before and after school in the playground next week. Tickets are £1 each. There are also two runners up prizes provided by the school. If your child would like to enter the draw, please send them to school with some money to buy a ticket. The draw will be done during Friday morning's assembly.



REMINDER

Thank you to the parents who have organised Monday's Charity Tuck-Shop. We are sure it will be a great success with the children!

Eid Celebration
Charity tuck-shop

Mon 23rd March 2026
3:00 – 4:00pm
HPS Playground (Hall if wet)

Choice of freshly baked cupcakes,
Popcorn, pick n mix vegan sweets, & dates

Cash & card payments accepted, all items £2-5

All proceeds to Francis House Children's Hospice

Can't join us? Order here to do your bit:
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/y4JAdzkFdh>
(limited pre-packaged items only)

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