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Year 5 Shines with 'Cover Me in Sunshine'

Recently, some of our talented Year 5 pupils had the wonderful opportunity to showcase their musical skills for the Learning Academies Trust. They learned and recorded the heartwarming song 'Cover Me in Sunshine.' Their dedication and hard work culminated in a beautiful recording, which will be mixed and shared with other schools in our Trust. The children's voices sounded truly magical, capturing the essence of joy and unity. We couldn't be prouder of their achievement!



Getting Involved!

Are you (or someone you know) looking for a new opportunity to contribute to the development and education of our children through the future success of the Hyde Park Schools? There are vacancies for two Governors on our Federated Governing Board from September 2024.

The Parent Governor role can be filled by Parents, Grandparents or Guardians of current pupils.

The Co-opted Governor (previously known as Community Governor) can be appointed from our wider community and can be parents/guardians/carers/grandparents or those in the community with an interest in the school.

Both roles are voluntary and require commitment to undertake training, attend meetings and carry out monitoring visits in school. The FGB works closely with the Senior Leadership Team and with the Trust. If you are interested, please send a note of interest to the school office by email with your contact details.

Reception Excels in PE

Recently, our Reception pupils took full advantage of the sunny weather during their PE session. The first activity had them hopping and jumping through spots and hoops, culminating in kicking a football past Mr. Banbury, their formidable goalkeeper, into the goal. Next up was the javelin rocket challenge, where pupils showcased their strength and teamwork, throwing javelins as far as they could and helping each other retrieve them for the next turn. The third activity tested their basketball skills, with everyone giving their best effort to shoot the ball into the hoops. The final challenge was a test of endurance with hula hoops, seeing who could keep their hula hoop spinning the longest. It was a day filled with fun, laughter, and impressive teamwork, making it an enjoyable session for all!



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Exciting Experiences Week for Year 6

Last week, our Year 6 pupils enjoyed a whirlwind of activities during their Experiences Week. On Monday, the weather cooperated beautifully as the children played rounders, football, and other games on the Hoe before enjoying a picnic lunch. The day concluded with more games and a pleasant walk back to school.

Tuesday was a day of creativity and learning with a visit from author Clive Pigg, who conducted a volcano-themed workshop for the children. The children also crafted detailed volcano models from complex nets, showcasing their impressive skills.

Wednesday was dedicated to art. The children designed and created their own printing blocks, then brought their designs to life on paper, resulting in stunning prints.

On Thursday, they braved the rain for a fun-filled adventure at Woodlands. Despite the weather, the children's enthusiasm remained high, and they had an unforgettable day.

Experiences Week has been a fantastic journey of learning, creativity, and fun for everyone involved!



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Year 4 Learns with Empathy During Refugee Week

This term, our Year 4 pupils participated in a special lesson for Refugee Week. They attended an enlightening online talk featuring experts, including someone who shared their real-life experience as a refugee. The children had the opportunity to ask questions and gained a deeper understanding of what it means to be a refugee and the reasons why people might be forced to leave their homes.

The session was highly engaging, with children showing great interest and curiosity. They asked insightful questions and even shared some of their own experiences. It was a meaningful lesson that fostered empathy and broadened their worldviews.



Refugee Week is a vital annual event dedicated to raising awareness about the challenges and contributions of refugees. As Schools of sanctuary, we aim to foster understanding and empathy by highlighting the experiences of those forced to flee their homes due to conflict, persecution, or natural disasters. Through educational activities, cultural events, and personal stories, Refugee Week encourages our school communities to stand in solidarity with refugees, celebrate their resilience, and advocate for their rights and inclusion in society.

Year 1 Reaches New Heights in Counting

Recently in maths, our Year 1 children have been mastering the art of counting up to 100. They practised counting forwards and backwards in ones and explored counting in tens using various equipment. Each type of manipulative provided a unique way to represent the number 10, including bundles of straws, Numicon, base ten blocks, and bead strings. The children thoroughly enjoyed checking each other's work, fostering a collaborative and engaging learning environment.



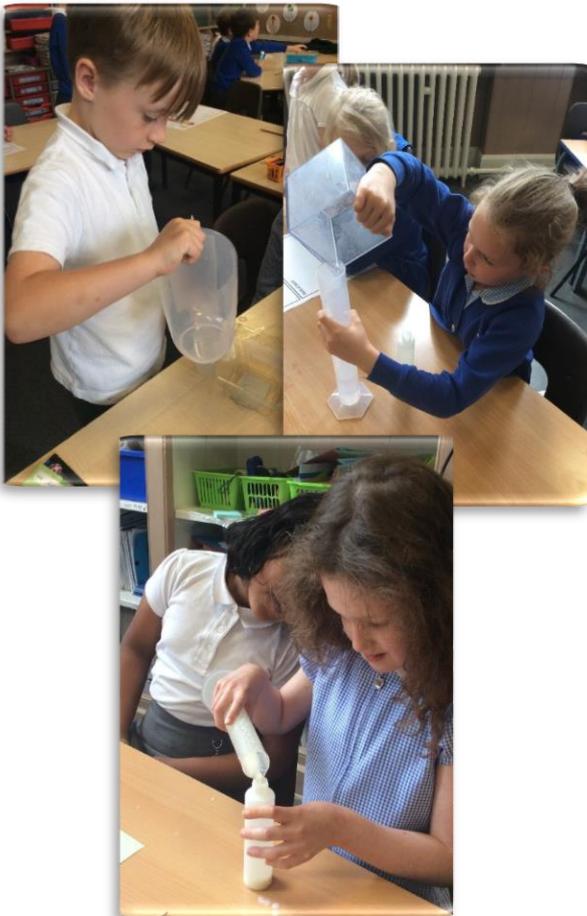
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Year 2 Explores States of Matter in Science

This term in science, our Year 2 children dived into the fascinating world of different states of matter. They began by identifying liquids and their properties, noting that they do not have a fixed shape. The children then observed how different liquids move by pouring water, oil, and milk from various sized jugs. Using their scientific observation skills, they recorded their findings in groups and created tables to compare the behaviors of the three liquids. This hands-on activity not only enhanced their understanding of liquids but also honed their data recording and analysis skills.



Fun Facts About States of Matter

- **Plasma Party:** Besides solids, liquids, and gases, there's a fourth state called plasma. You can find it in lightning, the sun, and even neon signs!
- **Super Cool Superfluid:** Some liquids, like liquid helium, become superfluid at very cold temperatures. They can flow without stopping and even climb up walls!
- **Glass Secrets:** Did you know that glass is actually a super slow-moving liquid? It flows so slowly that we can't see it move.

Discovering these states of matter shows just how amazing and fun our world can be!

Year 2's Exciting Visit to Paignton Zoo

As part of our Experiences Week, Year 2 visited Paignton Zoo. Tying in with earlier science lessons about animals, the children eagerly looked for animals that are vulnerable, endangered, and critically endangered. Elijah impressed the zookeepers with his animal knowledge – did you know giraffes and humans have the same number of bones in their necks?! The children's favourite animals were definitely the monkeys and the big cats! It was a fantastic day filled with learning and fun.



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Free School Meal

We are pleased to remind you that all pupils at our Infant School are eligible to receive a free hot lunch every school day, courtesy of the Universal Free School Meal (UFSM) program. In addition, families meeting specific criteria can qualify for Free School Meals (FSM), which also provides our school with additional support from the Local Authority.

For families eligible under the FSM program, the Local Authority is currently providing vouchers to cover the cost of lunches throughout the school holidays, including the upcoming 6-week summer break. To access this support, please apply directly via the following link: [Free School Meals Application](#)

Eligibility Criteria:

The child must be in full-time education at a local authority funded institution and must be present for full days.

- The child must reside with a parent or guardian receiving one of the qualifying benefits.

Please note, applications for free school meals are not processed by the school. Use the link provided above to submit your application directly.

Currently free school meal pupils receive weekly vouchers to cover the cost of lunches during the holiday period at approx. £14.00 per week, this is at the Local Authority's discretion.

For further details or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our school office. We are here to help ensure that you can take full advantage of this valuable program.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for being part of our school community.

Uniform Expectations

We would like to gently remind parents of our school uniform policy as outlined in our Parents Information Booklet. Ensuring that all children wear the correct uniform is important for maintaining a sense of equality and pride within our school community. Please refer to the Parents' Information Booklet for detailed guidance on our school's uniform requirements. It's essential that children come to school dressed according to these guidelines every day.

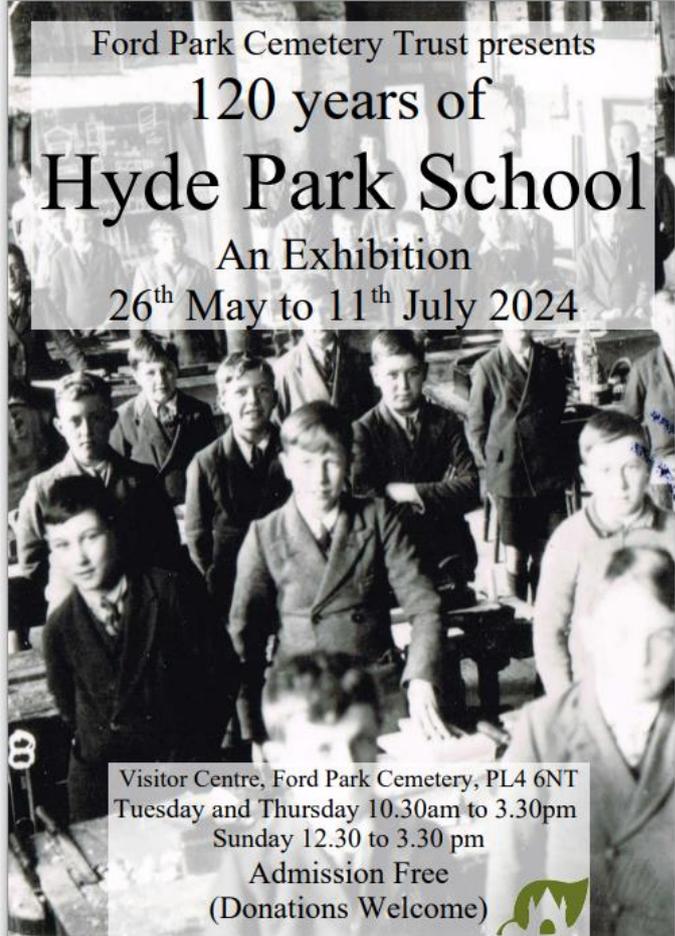
Thank you for your cooperation in maintaining our school's standards of dress. If you have any questions or need further clarification on the uniform policy, please feel free to contact the school office.

Update on our Behaviour Policy

We have recently updated our school policy to better meet the needs of our community and ensure a supportive and safe learning environment for all our pupils. A detailed letter outlining the changes has been sent to all parents. Please review this important information to stay informed about the latest updates. If you have any questions or require further clarification, do not hesitate to contact the school

120 Years Celebration

We are thrilled to announce the upcoming exhibition celebrating 120 years of Hyde Park School. Hosted by the Ford Park Cemetery Trust at the Visitor Centre, this special event will run from May 26th to July 11th, 2024. Admission is free, and donations are welcomed. The exhibition will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 AM to 3:30 PM, and Sundays from 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM. Please mark your calendars and join us in exploring the rich history of our school.



Ford Park Cemetery Trust presents
120 years of
Hyde Park School
An Exhibition
26th May to 11th July 2024

Visitor Centre, Ford Park Cemetery, PL4 6NT
Tuesday and Thursday 10.30am to 3.30pm
Sunday 12.30 to 3.30 pm
Admission Free
(Donations Welcome)

The poster features a black and white photograph of a group of young boys in school uniforms sitting at desks in a classroom. The text is overlaid on the image in a serif font.

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June 3rd - 7th, 2024

Cedar	Arnav
Ash	Jack M
Oak	Milo
Beech	Wonderful
Poplar	Harry V
Willow	Leo
Holly	Makil
Elm	Matilda
Sycamore	Vihaan
Keller	Luca
Seacole	Ophelia
Barnardo	Matthew
Attenborough	Jenurisha
Curie	Andre
Hawking	Theo
Gandhi	The Whole Class
King	The Whole Class
Mandela	The Whole Class
Pankhurst	Rhu
Douglass	Fatimah
Dickens	Vanessa

Nominations for being a Curious Learner

Cedar	Zayn
Ash	Joanna
Oak	Aaron
Beech	Isaac S
Poplar	Jayden
Willow	Damir
Holly	Immanuel
Elm	Elijah
Sycamore	Sam
Keller	Nathan I
Seacole	Coco
Barnardo	Abel
Attenborough	Abundant
Curie	Eleanor
Hawking	Lauren
Gandhi	Chase
King	Noah
Mandela	Anderson
Pankhurst	Sonny
Douglass	Jess A
Dickens	Stanley

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STAR OF THE WEEK

June 10th - 14th, 2024

Cedar	Rory
Ash	Evaan
Oak	Aidan
Beech	Jemima
Poplar	Adam
Willow	Daniel
Holly	Athalia
Elm	Ivan
Sycamore	Stefan
Keller	Jax
Seacole	Tawsif
Barnardo	Emilia
Attenborough	Bobby
Curie	Cotehele
Hawking	Nikita
Gandhi	Evelyn
King	Sophia
Mandela	Georgia, Niamh and Jayden
Pankhurst	Yingrui
Douglass	Daisy
Dickens	Josh

Nominations for being a Confident Learner

Cedar	Adriel
Ash	Savanna
Oak	Fern
Beech	Eli
Poplar	Obaidullah
Willow	Farouq
Holly	David
Elm	Kaze
Sycamore	Layla
Keller	Melina
Seacole	Theo
Barnardo	Faziah
Attenborough	Joshua
Curie	Olivia
Hawking	Mirkhan
Gandhi	Harry B
King	Alesha
Mandela	Fletcher, Dilneet and Jaxon
Pankhurst	Poppy-Paula
Douglass	Emma
Dickens	Emilia

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June 2024

17th - 21st National School Sport Week

16th -19th Eid-Al- Adha

Monday, 17 th	Reception to Year 1 Transition meeting for Parents and Carers @9am & 5pm
Tuesday, 18 th	Year 1 to Year 2 Transition Meeting for Parents and Carers @9am & 5pm
Wednesday, 19 th	National Thank A Teacher Day
Thursday, 20 th	Holly Class Assembly @9am
	World Refugee Day
	Summer Solstice
Friday, 21 st	Mandela Class Assembly
	World Music Day

Assessment Week 24th June- 28th June

Monday, 24 th	Year 2 to Year 3 Transition Meeting Parents for Carers @9am & 5pm
Tuesday, 25 th	Year 3 to Year 4 Transition Meeting for Parents and Carers @9am & 5pm
	EYFS Transition Parent Workshop and Second class visits for children surnames A-L – Sept. Entrants @9:15
Thursday, 27 th	Sycamore Class Assembly @9am
	EYFS Transition Parent Workshop and First class visits for children surnames M-Z Sept. Entrants @9:15
Friday, 28 th	King Class Assembly @9am
	Pre-Transition Morning

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