



Hillborough Infant and Nursery School

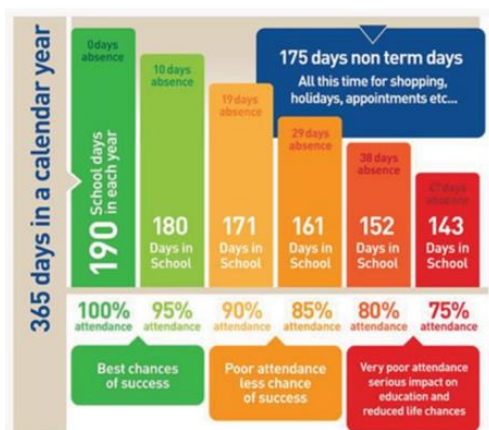
Newsletter – 8th July 2022

Value of the month – our value of the month is **courage**.

Dear parents and guardians,

Everyone in school can't quite believe that there are only nine school days left until the end of term! It really does feel quite non-stop at present with lots of exciting things going on over the coming days.

Hot Weather – please ensure that your child/children have plenty of water to stay hydrated and any other necessary precautions are taken. Sun screen – must be applied at home as school are unable to support with this. The [NHS link](#) has some good advice about dealing with hot weather.



Attendance – everyday counts! Our current whole school attendance is 93%! Good attendance is vital for all children, and we work to ensure all classes achieve that. The knowledge and skills that your child gains will support their achievements over time.

Term Time Leave – we would like to remind you that term time leave is only granted in **exceptional circumstances** and **MUST** be agreed by the Headteacher. Any application **MUST** be completed and returned to school, no later than 14 days prior to the request. You will be expected to attend a meeting, in school, to discuss the request before a decision is made. All details can be found by clicking on the following – [Term Time Leave of Absence](#).

End of Year Reports – you will receive your child's school report and other supporting documents via ParentMail today at 16:00. We very much enjoyed reading all the comments and seeing what achievements they have made during the past year. **On Monday 11th July at 15:40, there is a drop-in opportunity to discuss reports**, if you feel the need.

Aspens Catering – are running a competition that has some wonderful prizes. There is a prize for the best picture and then there is an overall winner that will be decided by the Head of Aspens Catering. The attached sheet has all the details etc. Please return by Tuesday 19th July 2022 to your class teacher.

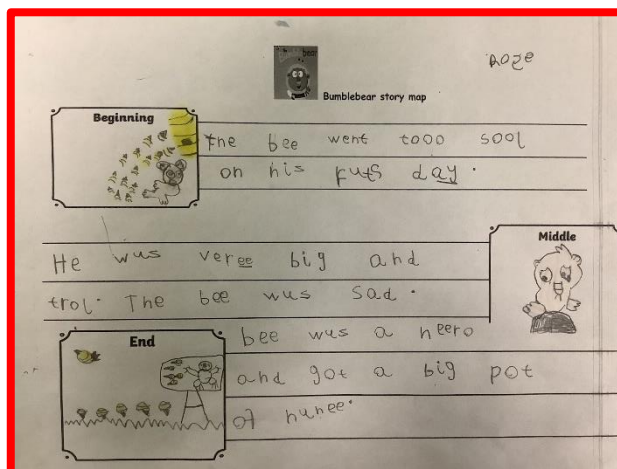
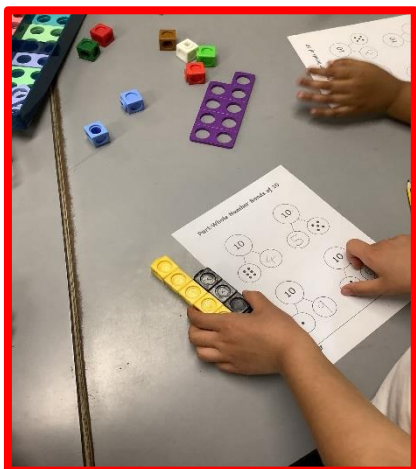
Physical Education - A special well done to all of our children for their Sports Slam entries on creating a unique sport. We are proud to say that Sports Direct were very impressed with our entries and have awarded us with a range of fantastic equipment!



Lap of Hope - next week we will be participating in the 'Lap of Hope' as part of our fundraising for [Sports Relief](#). Please visit our fundraising page if you wish to make a donation –

Updates from year groups:

- **Reception** - have been reading [‘The Bumblebear’ by Nadia Shireen](#). We have made our own story maps and wrote about what happens in the beginning, middle and end of the story. We also have our very own bee school where we teach all of our bee friends. Next week we will be making our very own bee treats to eat at the Bumblebear picnic! In maths we have been using the BeeBots to support us with our directional language and sequencing. We have also been recapping our number bonds to 10.



- **Year 1** - have been reading [‘The Ugly Five’ by Julia Donaldson](#). In our Design and Technology lessons we planned and made moving pictures using [sliders and pivots](#). Our children have been keeping a [weather journal](#) and using symbols to record the weather every day!
- **Year 2** - have been reading a beautiful story called [‘Grandad’s Island’ by Benji Davies](#), we created new story maps to support us in retelling our version of the story.

In maths, we have been learning about mass, capacity and temperature. We have also been solving word problems using the different standards of measure we have learnt.

In [geography](#), we identified the similarities and differences between the UK and a non-UK country.

Well-being and mental health - [Young Minds](#) is the UK’s leading charity committed to improving the emotional wellbeing and mental health of children and young people. Just as people’s bodies can become unwell, people’s minds can become unwell too. Mental health problems are more common than you might think. Young Minds offer information to young people and children about mental health and emotional wellbeing. If you need to talk, they can let you know about organisations that listen, plus they offer online support and info. They also have a wonderful page about [supporting a child with anxiety](#).

SEND – Autism Beds have sent us the following

A colorful poster for the 'SPACES STILL AVAILABLE! SUMMER FUN SCHEME 2022'. The poster features a sun, a child, and a group of people. The text provides details about the scheme, including age (10-17 years), suitability (for autistic young people with lower support needs), ratio (4 young people to 1 adult), venues (Luton or Bedford), dates (Mon 25th - Fri 29th July or Mon 1st - Fri 5th Aug 2022), cost (£25 per day), time (9:30am - 3:00pm), and activities (Crisis activities, park visit and picnic, Tues - Bowling, Weds - Footgolf, Thurs - Orbital trampoline park, Fri - Mini golf). It also includes contact information for Luton and Bedford schemes and a note about the Junior Activity Scheme for autistic children aged 9-18 years old.

Wishing you a relaxing weekend and let us hope that there is plenty of sunshine.

Josie Walter - Headteacher