



3rd October 2025

HIPPS Newsletter



Headteacher update

It has been a wonderful week in school. Firstly I would like to say a huge thank you to all those parents/carers who gave so generously towards our Harvest collection for Jimmy's night shelter. Jimmy's were simply 'blown away' by the amount of food they collected and we struggled to fit it all into one van!

It is Jimmy's 30th anniversary this year and as a result of the amazing support we have given they want to include us in a feature on Radio Cambridgeshire later this month.

A group of our children from Year 4 took part in a sports challenge festival at Comberton Village College yesterday. They had a fantastic time and worked brilliantly as a team representing the school and demonstrating all our PARK values. We are delighted that they were chosen out of all the participating schools for the 'Spirit of the Games Award'. Well done to all the children and a big thank you to Mrs Cox for taking them.

Jonathan Newman,
Headteacher

Year Group Updates

Reception

In Reception this week all the children have been thinking about who makes up their families and why each of these people are special. They have been learning to say things about the people in their families in full sentences such as 'My Dad is special because he makes great brownies' and 'my mum is special because she gives the best cuddles'. They have also created pictures of people from their families.

Key Stage One

Key Stage 1 have been doing some fantastic writing this week involving characters from one of their favourite Julia Donaldson books 'The Smeds and the Smoos'. In Year 2 they have been expanding their kernel sentences to make their writing more exciting.

Miss Moule and I both had the opportunity to teach in Class 4 this week and were so impressed by how carefully the children listened, how good they were at being collaborative and how hard they worked.

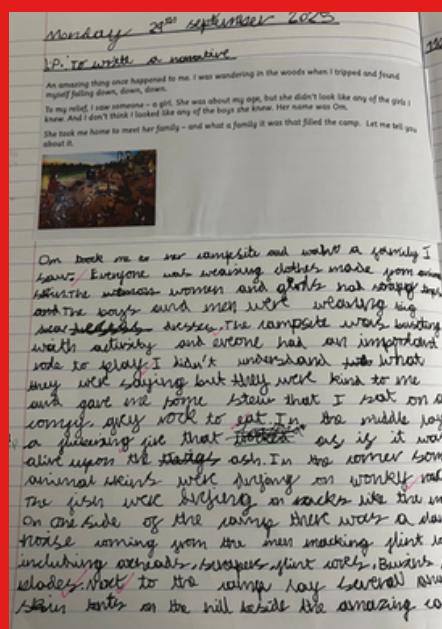
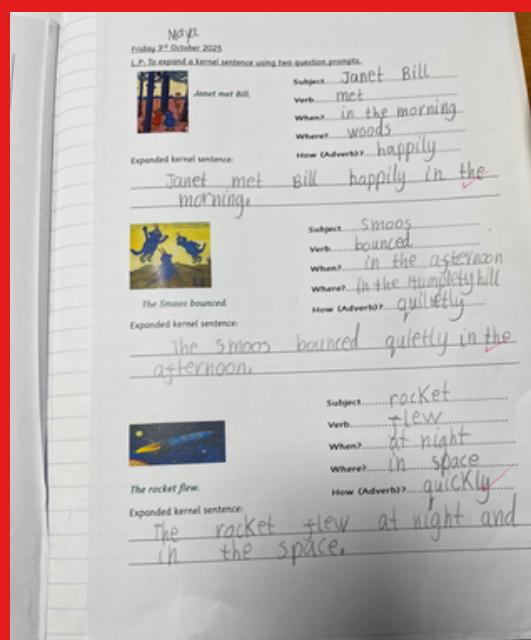
Key Stage Two

In Lower Key Stage this week Mr Wilson has been incredibly impressed by the children's learning behaviour with so many children absolutely trying their hardest and displaying a growth mindset.

Year 3 have been writing some fantastic narratives based on the story 'Stone Age Boy'.

In Upper Key Stage Two, the children have looking at the relative sizes and distances between the planets in the Solar System. They really enjoyed using the NASA model of the Solar System which Mr Wilkinson shared with them. Please find the link below if you, or your children, want to investigate further

[Eyes on the Solar System - Home - NASA/JPL](https://www.nasa.gov/home/solarsystem)



Housepoint Totals

	 EARTH	 WATER	 FIRE	 AIR
Totals for this week	65	71	69	60
Total for the term	221	240	223	230

Congratulations to Water House for winning the house competition for the second time running this week.

Reminders

Lunches

Lunches should be ordered by Wednesday for the following week using the MCAS app.

Forces Children

As part of the information that we are asked for during our School Census, we are asked if any of our children have parents who work in the Armed Forces, either as part of UK forces or abroad. If this applies to you, please contact the school office. As with school lunches, it can provide additional funding in school.

P.E Kit

Please can you ensure your child always has a full PE Kit in School every day as P.E days can change.

Children must not wear earrings for P.E. Ears cannot be taped to cover earrings so they must be removed. If children cannot do this themselves, parents should remove at home. If ears are newly pierced and earrings cannot be removed, children will have to observe P.E lessons as they cannot join in due to Health and Safety guidance.

Travel Group

We would welcome any parents/carers who would like to join our parent/school travel groups. The commitment with this will not be onerous and we plan to hold short online meetings about once every half term at a time that works for everyone. We would particularly welcome input from parents/carers who live outside of the village. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

Parking

Please can you not park in Garden Walk as this is a private road



Key Dates (new dates in black)

Tuesday 7th October	7.30pm	PTFA AGM
Friday 10th October		Planetarium Visit to School-Year 5/6
Monday 13th October	pm	Year One Forest School
Monday 13th October	pm	School Cross Country-All year groups
Friday 17th October	All Day	Year 4 Bikeability
Tuesday 21st October	All Day	Year 5/6 STEM Workshops
Tuesday 21st/Wednesday 22nd October	After School	Parents Evening
Thursday 23rd October	All Day	Year 5/6 Trip to Black Country Museum
Monday 27th October-Friday 31st October		Half Term
Monday 3rd November		Training Day
Tuesday 4th November -Friday 7th November		Year 5/6 Bikeability for booked pupils
Friday 7th November	pm	Panathlon (for selected pupils)

Wednesday 12th November	Morning	District cross- country at Wimpole-selected Years 3-6
Friday 14th November	all day	Children In Need
Monday 17th November		Year One Forest School
Monday 17th November	2.45pm	Year 5 Showcase Assembly and Open Classroom
Monday 1st December	pm	Year One Forest School
Thursday 4th December	all day	Year 5/6 Choir Concert-Holiday at Home-Baptist Church
Friday 12th December		Christmas Jumper Day, Santa Dash, Christmas Lunch and PTFA Christmas Fair
Monday 15th December	All Day	Year One Forest School
Monday 15th December	5pm	Year 5/6 Choir at West Road
Tuesday 16th December	9.30am	Year One Nativity To Parents
Friday 19th December		Last Day of Term
Tuesday 6th January 2026		Back to School
Tuesday 20th January 2026	All day	Young Voices-both choirs

Monday 2nd February 2026	2.45pm	Year 4 Showcase Assembly and Open Classrooms
Wednesday 25th March	9.15am	Reception Showcase Assembly
Monday 27th April	2.45pm	Year 3 Showcase Assembly and Open Classroom
Monday 11th May-Thursday 14th May	9.15-11.00	Year 6 SATS Week
Tuesday 19th May	9.15-11.00	Reception/Key Stage One Sports Day
Tuesday 19th May	1.30-3.15	Key Stage Two Sports Day
Monday 1st June-Wednesday 3rd June		Year 6 Residential
Monday 15th June	2.45pm	Year 2 Showcase Assembly and Open Classroom
Monday 15th June	After school	Year 1 Open Classroom
Friday 26th June	After School	Summer Fair

PTFA AGM

It is nearly time for our PTFA Annual General Meeting. This will be taking place on Tuesday 7th October at 7.30pm. We encourage as many of you to come and join us for this meeting at possible. It is a great way of getting to find out what the PTFA achieved last year and plans for the year ahead.

Don't forget to follow the PTFA Facebook Page!



Meridian Trust News

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