

School Update

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Year 6 at PGL

The children in Year 6 have had a great time this week at PGL. The week started with a hike up the Wrekin in glorious sunshine before arriving at Boreatton Park to take part in a wide range of adventurous activities including abseiling, climbing, raft building and the zip wire. The days have been full and the nights long! The children have been great – getting stuck into the activities regardless of the weather (which has included downpours!) , eating well and having fun with their friends. All the staff have been proud of how they have conducted themselves over the week – definitely living our values. Time for them (and all the staff) to recover now as we head into the half-term break.

Have a good one, Steve Dunn, HT

Planned pupil absence

If you are planning to take your child out of school during term time, could you please ensure that a [Pupil Absence Request Form](#) is completed and given into the school office. This would cover holiday requests, family weddings, funerals, etc. The form can be [downloaded here](#) and emailed into school or paper copies can be obtained from the office. Where children are absent from school and no reason is given, then phonecalls home will be made as part of our safeguarding procedures.

Autumn Term 2023

October 2023

Mon 16th	Half-term/Mr Hanford's Half-term Camp
-Fri 20th	Book Online at Hanford Sports
Mon 23rd	INSET Day—children not in school
Tues 24th	Parent Evenings
-Thur 26th	
Fri 27th	Mrs Coneron/Mrs Miles Assembly—9am

November 2023

Fri 3rd	Mr Hatley's Assembly—9am
Fri 10th	Mr Burdett's Assembly—9am Remembrance Day
Fri 17th	Children in Need Day
Fri 24th	Miss Burton's Assembly—9am

December 2023

Fri 1st	Christmas Tree Festival
Sat 2nd	Village Christmas Lights switch-on
Tues 5th	Seasonal flu vaccination, R to Year 6
Fri 8th	Mrs Bird's Assembly—9am
Tues 19th	Christmas Dinner/ Christmas Jumper Day!
Fri 22nd	Last day of term

Spring Term 2024

January 2023

Mon 8th	School opens for Spring Term
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Happy half-term!

Autumn half-term is upon us - a chance for all at school to recharge their batteries ready for the long run up to Christmas. **We'll see you back in school on Tuesday 24th October.**



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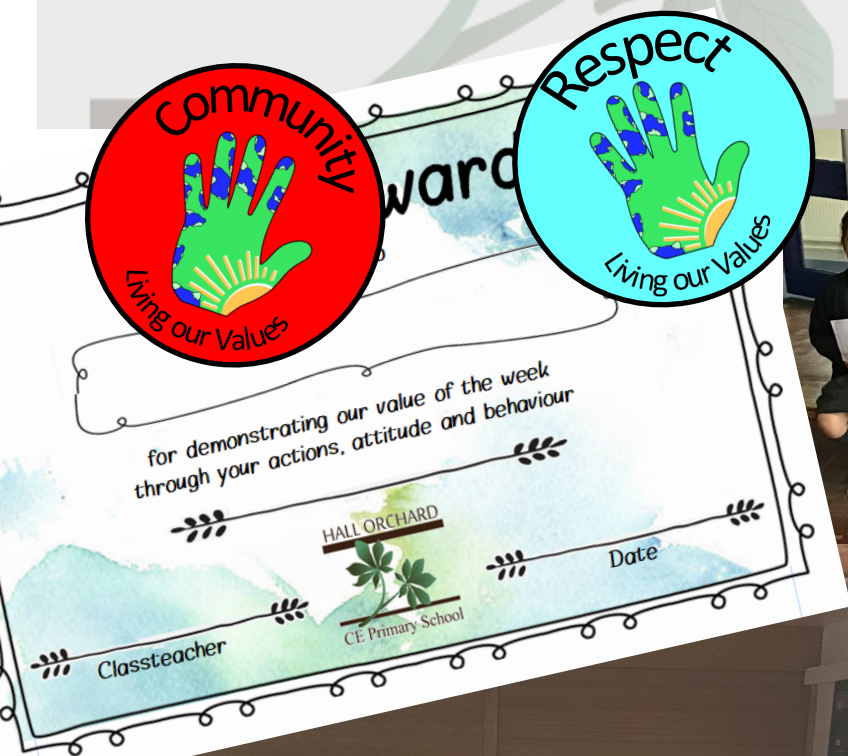
HOPS High 5

This week our whole-school reward system called **HOPS High 5**—based on our 5 core values was again celebrated. We've linked our school rules to these values so the children are rewarded for living them through their positive behaviours. They earn value points each time they demonstrate one of these values, with the overall aim of achieving enough points to receive a values badge. Interim certificates will be issued at regular milestones and weekly **Values Awards** are given out to children showing their commitment to the **value of the week**.

HOPS High 5 – school rules

Our school rules underpin our core values and are as follows:

- Allow everyone to learn. (Value of **Community**)
- Be kind. (Value of **Friendship**)
- Respect people and property. (Value of **Respect**)
- Learn from my mistakes. (Value of **Resilience**)
- Be my best self. (Value of **Aspiration**)



We were delighted to award our **Values Awards** in assembly this week, with children from across the school receiving them for demonstrating our Core Values. Our theme in CoWo this week was **Service**. We based our assembly around Galatians 6:2 'Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ'. This tied in perfectly with our focus on **Mental Health** where we promoted the idea of being there for each other in tough times. Children wore yellow and were able to buy a book to raise awareness and support World Mental Health Day. Thank you to all the parents for their book donations we raised a staggering £380 for **HelloYellow** in partnership with Mind.