

# Himbleton Herald - Issue 19 2020/21

## **Nurture, Nature, Knowledge:**

*Enabling inquisitive thinkers and inspired learners with kind hearts.*

### **WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD!**

As Spring begins to erupt around us, the wonders of nature are really evident. We would like the children to spot as many amazing things in the natural world as they can and share what they see with us. This can be done via photos uploaded to ClassDojo, a piece of art inspired by it, or simply a message telling us what they saw. If we get enough pictures, we'd like to make a display in school. Further to the sharing of the icicle picture on ClassDojo this morning, another one has been shared – thank you!



### **COVID-19 UPDATES**

We await with anticipation tonight's government announcement regarding the next phase of COVID-19 measures. We will write in due course with details of what this means for your child at Himbleton.

### **WORLD BOOK DAY**

World Book Day is due to take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March. However, we will be holding our World Book Day on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March instead, so that we can enjoy it on a day when there is no Forest School or PE taking place for the children in school. In addition, should the government announce that all children can return to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, it would allow the children to enjoy the day together. Children and staff are invited to come to school (or learn from home if we are still in the same position) dressed up as a book character for the day. Due to the fact that getting a costume together during these challenging times may be tricky, we are not having a specific theme this year and encourage children to be as creative as possible with their ideas, for example making some of their own costumes. I came across these useful websites while searching for my own little boy:

<https://www.madeformums.com/toddler-and-preschool/last-minute-easy-world-book-day-costumes/>

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/no-sew-costumes-world-book-day>

Have fun and please don't feel any pressure to have the perfect costume!

### **OUR VALUES THOUGHT FOR**

#### **THE WEEK**

Our focus value this half-term is 'Truthfulness'.

"BE TRUE TO  
YOURSELF  
ALWAYS."

-Catherine Johnson

### **ONLINE SAFETY**

As our children spend more and more time online and become more familiar and comfortable with this forum, keeping them safe and equipping them with the knowledge to stay safe is so incredibly important. Some fantastic resources are available at

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>.

The website contains practical advice and support, as well as activities to share with children. Please do take a look if you have time.

### **BOOK CLUB**

A reminder that the Key Stage One and Key Stage Two Virtual Book Club meetings will take place this Thursday at 3.45pm and 4.30pm. Each session will last approximately 30 minutes. Children should bring along their copy of the book if they can. Zoom meeting details have been shared on ClassDojo class story pages.

### **PARENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE**

A big thank you to those who have completed and returned the questionnaire regarding our learning offer during this period of lockdown.

Please could any further questionnaires be returned to [head@himbleton.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:head@himbleton.worcs.sch.uk) by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March? The document is available on ClassDojo school story or the website (under 'Letters to Parents'). Thank you.

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021**