



## WEEKLY FOCUS

Friday 19th March 2021



Dear Parents/Carers:

*'Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will reward them for what they have done.'* Proverbs 19: 17

*In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'* " Acts 20: 35

Our school value this half term is service and, during this period of Lent, we encourage the children to think about how they can serve others. Today we have been celebrating Red Nose day – a fun way for us to raise money for those less fortunate than ourselves. We had a zoom whole-school assembly this morning where the children told jokes to one another. They all enjoyed seeing friends and siblings from other classes and some of the jokes were not too bad either!

Our nurture room is now being used throughout the day to support our children. We have a play therapist and [ELSA support](#), and this is proving invaluable. The pastoral support that we provide for our children is just as important to us as their academic progress, and I am excited about how we are continuing to develop our provision in this area.

We are continuing to use the government's catch-up funding for additional tutoring. Third Space **maths** learning continues and we have started another programme called Lightning Squad, which is a literacy intervention delivered by a trained tutor on the school site. Our first booster group classes, run by our teachers, also took place **this** week.

I hope that you have a relaxing weekend and look forward to seeing you on Monday morning.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Wand

### Whole Class Photos

Class photos have been rescheduled for Thursday 22nd April 2021.

Children should wear full summer uniform. Thank you.



### Parent Volunteers

Thank you to those who have already signed up to volunteer for skills sessions next term. If you have not already done so and are interested in volunteering at the school, please complete the google form [here](#) by **9am on Monday 22nd March 2021**.

Please note, you will only be able to volunteer in one year group whilst we are working under covid restrictions. You will also need to complete a DBS check. All information about completing the paperwork for a DBS check can be found on our [website](#).

Please contact the school office if you have any further questions about volunteering at the school.

### School Lunches

Lunches for week commencing 29th March should be booked by Sunday 21st March.

Please double check lunches have been booked for **1st of April**, if required, as we noticed many bookings are made until the end of March only.

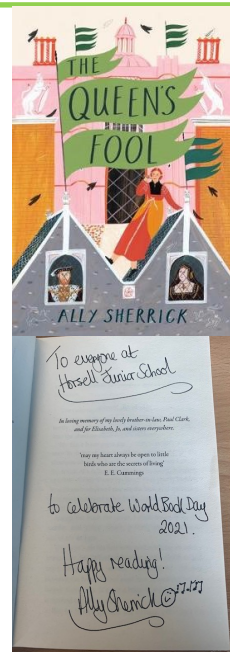
## Award Winning Author donates signed copy of their latest book

We were so lucky to have an award-winning children's author, Ally Sherrick, take part in our Horsell Book Hunt. We are even luckier to have a signed book by Ally gifted to us and ready to go in the library for the children to read. Ally has written a special message just for us!



'It was so lovely to have my books feature as part of the Horsell Book Hunt by my sister, Elisabeth, for this year's World Book Day celebrations. Especially as my latest, Tudor-set adventure, *The Queen's Fool* has only just been published. I thought it would be lovely to donate a signed copy to the school, as my two nephews were pupils there many years ago. I do hope you enjoy borrowing it from your library and reading my young heroine, Cat Sparrow's story. As every author will tell you, reading stories is the absolute best. And if you read lots of them, who knows? You might end up becoming a published author too.'

You can find out more about Ally and her books on her website: [www.allysherrick.com](http://www.allysherrick.com)



## Reading Challenge

Remember to keep tracking how many books you read for our March Reading Challenge. This can be library books, books from home, books from Get Epic, online books (e-books, kindles, videos), newspapers, articles or other non-fiction texts.

**The competition will end Wednesday 31st March** with all **entries in by Friday 2nd April**.

To enter you need to send us a photo with you and all your books. You could build a book tower, screen shot front covers and paste them onto a picture from the computer or send us your reading log on Get Epic.

This can be uploaded to Seesaw or emailed to Miss Chadburn: [k.chadburn@horsell-junior.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:k.chadburn@horsell-junior.surrey.sch.uk)



## Mobile Phones in School

Please note that all children who bring their mobile phones into school should submit a signed permission form. This can be found on our website [here](#).



## PTA Upcoming Events:

Today	Sunflower competition begins
2nd - 10th April	Easter Trail
23rd April	Bags2school collection
24th April	Good as New Uniform Sale
19th June	Family Fun Run

## Barracudas is open this Easter holiday!

Following the government announcement, we're full steam ahead for our Easter camps and summer camps.. [Book online](#) today or call 01480 467567.



**Details of other holiday clubs are also attached separately.**

## Safer Travel Team Survey

Our school is assisting Surrey County Council's Safer Travel Team to undertake research with parents of primary aged pupils' types of travel to and from school. Their goal is to obtain a better understanding of journeys to school, so they can continue encouraging safer and more active travel to school for all children in Surrey.

Please visit <https://www.surreysays.co.uk/iai/41377978> to complete the survey. Please complete one survey for each child in primary school.

Thank you.



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