



# Newsletter No. 2

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Dear Parents,

I hope you had a brilliant half term, for us it was brilliant to start the term with our traditional star reader reward. I hope that you child enjoyed the bouncy slide!

We do have some sad (and exciting) news to share with you. Mrs Foster will be leaving us at Christmas to relocate with her husband to seaside town in Lancashire. This is where her family live, and as her husbands' job has relocated, they are taking the opportunity to be closer to them. We will be sad to see Mrs Foster leave as she has been at Hadrian for over 5 years and contributed a huge amount both to the school and to the classes that she taught. In happier news, we are pleased to let you know that Miss Baxter will be returning to Hadrian to take her place as class teacher of Honeybee class. Miss Baxter was an inspirational Year 5 teacher who left us a year ago and has spent the time travelling the world. We are very excited to have her back in the Hadrian family and know that she will be a brilliant class teacher for Honeybee class.



The last term was, as always, busy and fun. Many of you would have seen that Hadrian made the papers a couple of times. Both for our child led renovation of the library and for exercise stations (again designed by our children) that are situated around the track. For those of you who didn't catch us in the paper, I have copies of both articles that I'm happy to photocopy if your child is in a picture. Finally, Hadrian will be hitting the news again this week. Year 4 will be filmed for the BBC as we discuss the range of books that our lovely library has and the importance of having diverse lead characters so that all children can see themselves as the hero of a story.

Best wishes

Hannah Bennett





## Autumn Term 2019

21st October – 25th October Half Term

4.11.19	AHA Disco	4.30 – 5.45pm Yr R, 1, 2 & 3 6.00 – 7.30pm Yr 4,5 & 6
5.12.19	KS2 Choir Luton & Dunstable Hospital Tree Lighting ceremony	Details to follow
10.12.19	Early Years Christmas Production	9.30am
11.12.19	Year 1 Christmas Production	9.30am
11.12.19	Year 2 Christmas Production	2.30pm
12.12.19	Flu immunisations taking place	Awaiting full details Yr R – Y6
12.12.19	Polling Day	
13.12.19	Year 3 Christmas Production	9.30am – 10.30am
13.12.19	AHA Event – Christmas Shop	Children can buy a present for their parents/grandparents, wrap it up and write a label. More details nearer the time.
13.12.19	Whole school Christmas Dinner	Payment via your ParentMail account
16.12.19	Year 4 Christmas Production	2.30pm
17.12.19	KS2 Choir sing at the airport	12.30 - 3.30pm details to follow
18.12.19	Year 5 Christmas Production	9.30am
18.12.19	Year 6 Christmas Production	2.30pm
19.12.19	AHA Event – Father Christmas Visits Hadrian	A chance to tell Father Christmas how good they have been and receive a small gift. Full details to follow.
19.12.19	Christmas Enterprise Christmas Jumper Day	
20.12.19	PARTY MORNING – Last Day of term	<b>12 noon finish</b> No school dinner No after school club

7.5.19	Polling Day	
15.6 – 19.6.20	Yr 6 Kingswood Residential	Deposit payable by ParentMail



### Parking at Hadrian Avenue and surrounding streets/entrances –

Please always park considerately even if running late and *do not park over our neighbours driveways or the grass verges*. This affects both the wellbeing of our local residents and the safety of our children, walking to and from school. Also please watch your speed in the vicinity of the school and always be cautious of children.

We do not wish to upset or inconvenience our neighbours who have on occasion been unable to access their own driveways.

Thank you.



### Speeding within the school grounds

I am increasingly concerned about people speeding as they enter the school grounds.

There is a sign on the school gates advising 5mph but it has been noted that on a few occasions parents are entering the school grounds 4 or 5 times in excess of this. The speed bump installed many years ago is to be used as a deterrent for speeding onto the premises.

Please observe the speed limit for the safety of all children and adults alike. Thank you



## Starting School in 2020?

**School Admissions** for September 2020 are now open.

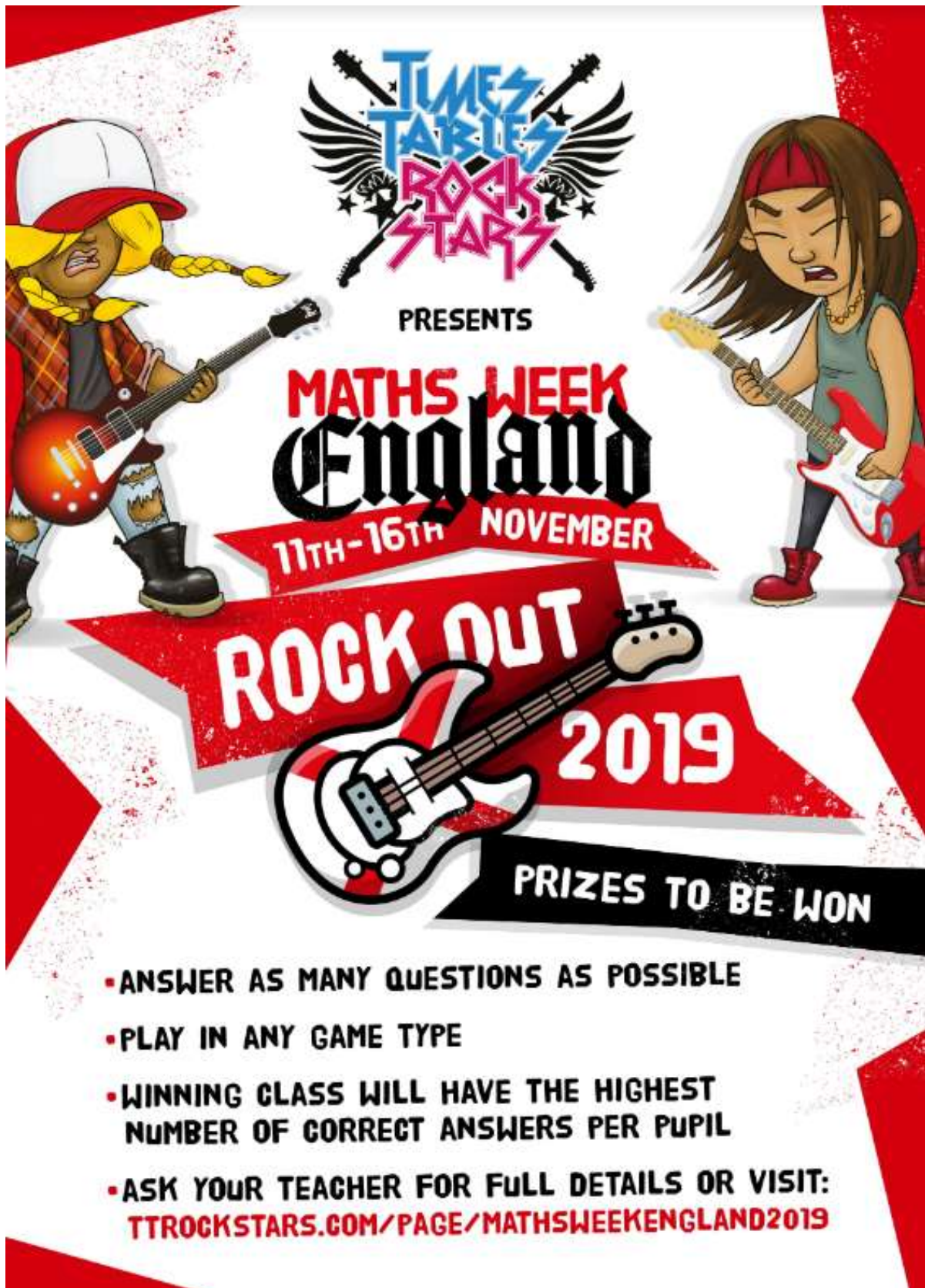
If your child is born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 and you live in [Central Bedfordshire](#) please go to the [following link](#).

If you live in [Luton](#) then please click on the [following link](#)

**Applications must be completed by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

Year R	Tuesday 10th December 9.30am	The Nativity
Year 1	Wednesday 11th December 9.30am	A Little Bird Told Me
Year 2	Wednesday 11th December 2.30pm	Prickly Hay
Year 3	Friday 13th December 9.30am	A Roman Christmas
Year 4	Monday 16th December 2.30pm	Away in a Spaceship
Year 5	Wednesday 18th December 9.30 am	The Stars come out for Christmas
Year 6	Wednesday 18th December 2.30pm	Christmas Concert

Hadrian Academy is taking part in the TT Rockstars Maths Week national competition. It will take place between **11<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> November**. All children from Year 2 - 6 have a login which they can use via the app or website. All the children need to do is log in and play as normal between these dates and they could be in with a chance of winning a prize for their class. I hope the children have lots of fun and we look forward to seeing their progress!



**TIMES TABLES  
ROCK STARS**

PRESENTS

**MATHS WEEK  
England**

**11TH-16TH NOVEMBER**

**ROCK OUT  
2019**

**PRIZES TO BE WON**

- ANSWER AS MANY QUESTIONS AS POSSIBLE
- PLAY IN ANY GAME TYPE
- WINNING CLASS WILL HAVE THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF CORRECT ANSWERS PER PUPIL
- ASK YOUR TEACHER FOR FULL DETAILS OR VISIT:  
[TTROCKSTARS.COM/PAGE/MATHSWEEKENGLAND2019](http://TTROCKSTARS.COM/PAGE/MATHSWEEKENGLAND2019)

# SPORTS AT HADRIAN

## Orienteering at Heartwood Forest St Albans

On Saturday 5th October, 9 children from Hadrian Academy took part in an orienteering event. During the event the children practised map reading skills whilst running and walking through the countryside.

As well as finding the orienteering controls they came across various wooden sculptures hidden around the forest.

All the children completed the orienteering course. Well done to Reuben in completing the course in a record time of 13 minutes.

Boarding the minibus to take us to the forest.



Maps collected and ready to go.

Iesa and Esme at the start.



Reuben sprints off to the next control.



The children found interesting sculptures whilst out orienteering.



Miss Auker and Mrs Norris complete the course.



Well done to Iesa and Eshan Aimee-Louise, Lily, Nasri, Jasmine, Bella and Reuben Pienaar in completing the course.



Winner Reuben analyses his split times with Eshan.

2.2km 35m

Pos	Name	Club	Age Class	Time	Behind	Points	School Year
1st	Reuben Pienaar	HAA	M10	13:26		100	5
2nd	Bella Fletcher	HAA	W10	17:32	+4:06	97	4

## Football

Well done to year 6 girls football team who on their very first match in a local schools league produced an impressive 2-0 win against Ardley Hill Academy.

The team played a strong first half with the majority of possession of the ball, with Isabella scoring the first goal just 10 minutes into the game. A good pass and dribbling from Jessica enabled Isabella to score a 2<sup>nd</sup> goal just one minute before half time.

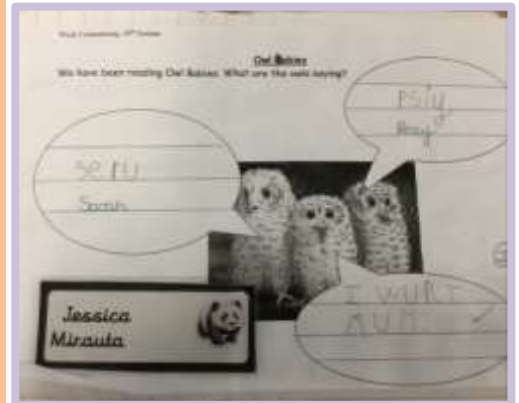
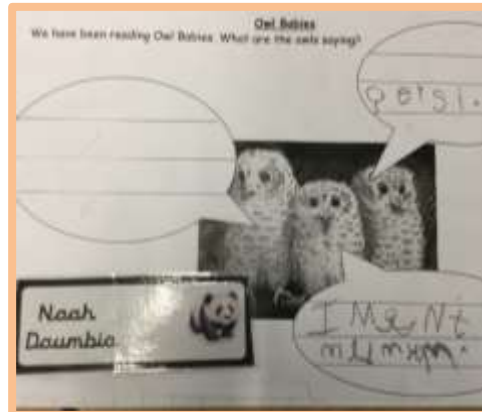
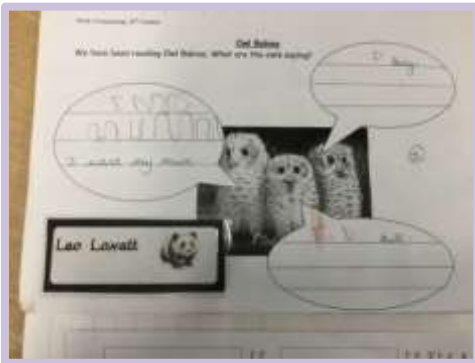
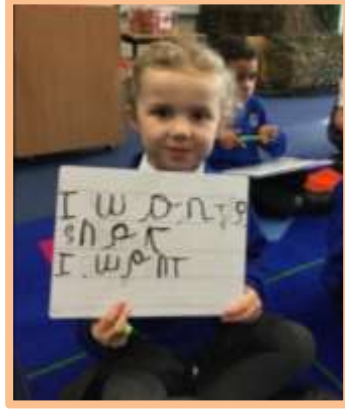
During the second half the team displayed some impressive passing and defending skills. A good save from our goalkeeper Grace kept the final score at 2-0.

Well done girls!

Lois, Adriana, Grace, Daniella, Isabella Lexie, Jessica, Connie and Natalia.



Wow! Look at this fantastic writing from the children in Panda and Rhino class, we are so impressed with the children!



Early years are in desperate need of any old/spare pants/knickers and socks. If you have any that you wish to donate please give to the office or EYFS team.

Please bear us in mind when you are throwing away old uniform, Wellington boots, puzzles and games. Puzzle and games are great for wet play.

Also there are lots of germs going around as we are entering the colder months. We always encourage the children to blow their own noses and wash their hands but we are running out of boxes of tissues, we would be very grateful if you could provide the children with some tissue boxes. Thank you

Clatter bridge update

Thank you for your very kind donations, both movie nights were a success and raised lots of money for the new clatter bridge. We are very excited to be so close to reaching the amount we need.

If you would like to donate please follow the link below.

[https://www.gofundme.com/f/eyfs-clatter-bridge-and-outdoor-learning-space?utm\\_source=facebook&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_campaign=p\\_cp+share-sheet](https://www.gofundme.com/f/eyfs-clatter-bridge-and-outdoor-learning-space?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=p_cp+share-sheet)

Thank you

# The Great Fire of London



**Year 2** have been learning about how the Great Fire of London spread so quickly in 1666. They really enjoyed watching their models catch fire.





**Year 3** have been busy! We were very lucky to have a visit from Remi's grandparents who are beekeepers. It was very interesting to see the wax and even better was that everybody got to taste some honey from the Mr & Mrs Rowland's bees. It was delicious!

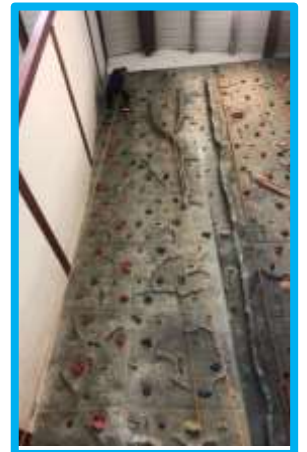


Our topic this half term is Ancient Rome. We started the work by learning about Roman mosaics before designing and making mosaics. The children also researched facts about the Romans and presented what they had found out.



# GRAFHAM water centre

On the 7<sup>th</sup> of October **Year 4** made their way to Grafham Water for a few days full of adventure! Once we arrived, we were given a tour and then we had to make our own beds. This was quite tricky but we had lots of fun helping each other out. Once our activities had begun we were introduced to our instructors. They helped us with all our activities including: Mountain Biking, Rock Climbing, Canoeing, Orienteering, Whammel Sailing and the famous Grafham Challenge. We had a fantastic few days challenging ourselves and experiencing new things. Thank you to all the adults who came with us and to parents for supporting us in preparation for the trip.



**Year 5** performed a song about sharing the seeds of friendship in our Harvest Festival.

A special well done goes to the children who bravely sang on their own and played the glockenspiels!



We would like to thank all parents and carers who kindly donated food towards our Harvest celebrations. Hampers were delivered to nominated elderly people in our community.

## Hadrian Academy 'online'

As well as our monthly newsletter you can also keep up to date with what is happening at Hadrian in the following ways:-

**Twitter:-** [@hadrianacademy](https://twitter.com/hadrianacademy)

**Website:-** [www.hadrianacademy.co.uk](http://www.hadrianacademy.co.uk)

**Website** [Google Calendar](#)



# Ecosia – the search engine that plants trees



## **What is Ecosia?**

Ecosia is a search engine, which donates 80% of its profits to tree planting. Since its launch in December 2009, Ecosia contributed enough money to plant over 69 million trees, in the parts of the world, which need it most.

The Independent described Ecosia as 'a modern and inventive method of saving the world climate without a huge effort' ([Ecosia in the Independent](#)). The search engine generates its revenue from advertisements, similar to other search engines, such as Google or Yahoo!. What makes Ecosia different is that the majority of its profits are donated to local organisations around the world which use the money to plant trees and restore biodiversity. Ecosia's financial reports are available online and are being verified by third-party organisations.

More and more organisations, such as the University of Sussex ([Uni of Sussex](#)) choose Ecosia as their primary search engine to support the cause. This is how Ecosia promotes itself on YouTube: [Ecosia](#), and under this link, you can find a short review: [Is Ecosia legitimate?](#) I strongly believe that our school should join Ecosia too, and help plant trees to fight climate change, simply by using this search engine. The trees absorb the CO<sub>2</sub> we produce and create Oxygen we need to live. If all the school computers used Ecosia, and teachers and pupils use Ecosia at home, we can contribute to planting an unimaginable number of trees!!!

Ecosia can be easily added to browsers such as Chrome or Firefox by use of extensions ([Ecosia for Chrome](#), [Ecosia for Firefox](#)) or can be simply accessed by opening <https://www.ecosia.org/> website; you can also use it on mobiles and tablets.

My family uses Ecosia on all our devices and I urge you to do so too!

