



Hunters Hall Primary School

Snippets

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Dates for the Diary

Summer Term 2022

- Tuesday 3rd May** – Year 2 Assessment month
- Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th May** – Reception and 3G Parent/Carer Evening
- Friday 6th May** – Young Voices Concert O2
- Monday 9th to Thursday 12th May** – Year 6 Breakfast & SATs
- Thursday 12th May** – Year 1 Queen's Tea Party
- Thursday 19th May** – Year 6 Raphael's Park
- Thursday 26th May** – Year 1 Pondfield Picnic Trip
- Monday 30th May to Tuesday 7th June** - Half Term

- Thursday 9th June** – Parent/Carer Platinum Jubilee Afternoon Tea.
- Friday 10th June** – Platinum Jubilee event including sports day & picnic.
- Tuesday 14th June** – Young Citizens' – Y6
- Tuesday 14th June** – Great Science Share
- Friday 17th June** – Music in the Round – Y2
- Friday 24th June** – Road Safety Workshop – whole school
- Friday 8th July** – Modern Day Slavery Event
- Thursday 21st July** – Last day of academic year – school closes at 12pm for Year 6 & 1pm rest of school.

Thrive School of Excellence



Team Points

TEAM POINTS		
	Tigers	937
	Bears	657
	Wolves	597
	Sharks	492
	Komodo Dragon	573

Dear Parent/Carer,

Today is very special for us as a school, one of our fantastic choirs is making history today by taking part in Young Voices – the largest school choir in the world. Our choir will perform alongside 5,000-8,000 other children as a single choir to a capacity audience of family and friends at the O2. Children taking part in YV benefit hugely - it helps their self-belief, self-motivation, confidence, and ability to communicate as part of a team - which is invaluable! Add to this the numerous health benefits of singing in rehearsals, including breathing exercises to focus the mind.

There has been an incredible amount of work leading up to today and we would like to express our personal thanks to Mrs Bright, our phenomenal Music Lead.

Lyrics from one of the songs (Power in Me) which the choir will be singing today really exemplify what we are aiming to achieve for all of our children as they find their place within society. See if you agree.

*"When someone's needing help and the world just walks on by,
I know I can do something about it.
I'll stand up for their rights, my voice will find the words
and I will feel empowered from within."*

This leads us on to informing you that next week the focus for Mental Health Week is loneliness - the experience of feeling lonely, its effect on our mental health and how we can play a part in reducing loneliness in our communities.

Look out for each other this weekend too,

Selina Frazer & Michael Kaitell,
Co-Headteachers

Attendance

Congratulations to RR in Key Stage 1 who achieved 95.07% this week and to 6A in Key Stage 2 with 97.52%

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RB	87.82	2M	90.78	4R	93.60
RH	94.29	2T	87.38	5N	90.05
RR	95.07	3D	79.07	5P	94.42
1H	91.13	3G	94.32	5R	94.09
1L	92.89	3T	95.63	6A	97.52
1R	93.87	4E	88.32	6L	94.67
2K	92.96	4G	94.18	6Y	95.83



Parent Hub

We would like all parents/carers to join us on Parent Hub.

Parent Hub is a FREE app that helps keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, all in one handy place.



1. Download the Parent Hub app from your app store (iPhone or Android).
2. Create yourself an account.
3. Choose "Add a School" and enter:

@HuntersHallIPS

School Uniform

School uniform can be purchased every Monday from 3:00-4:00pm in the dining hall.

Uniform can also be purchased online:

www.schooluniformdirect.org.uk/schools/product-category/schools-and-clubs/hunters-hall-primary/

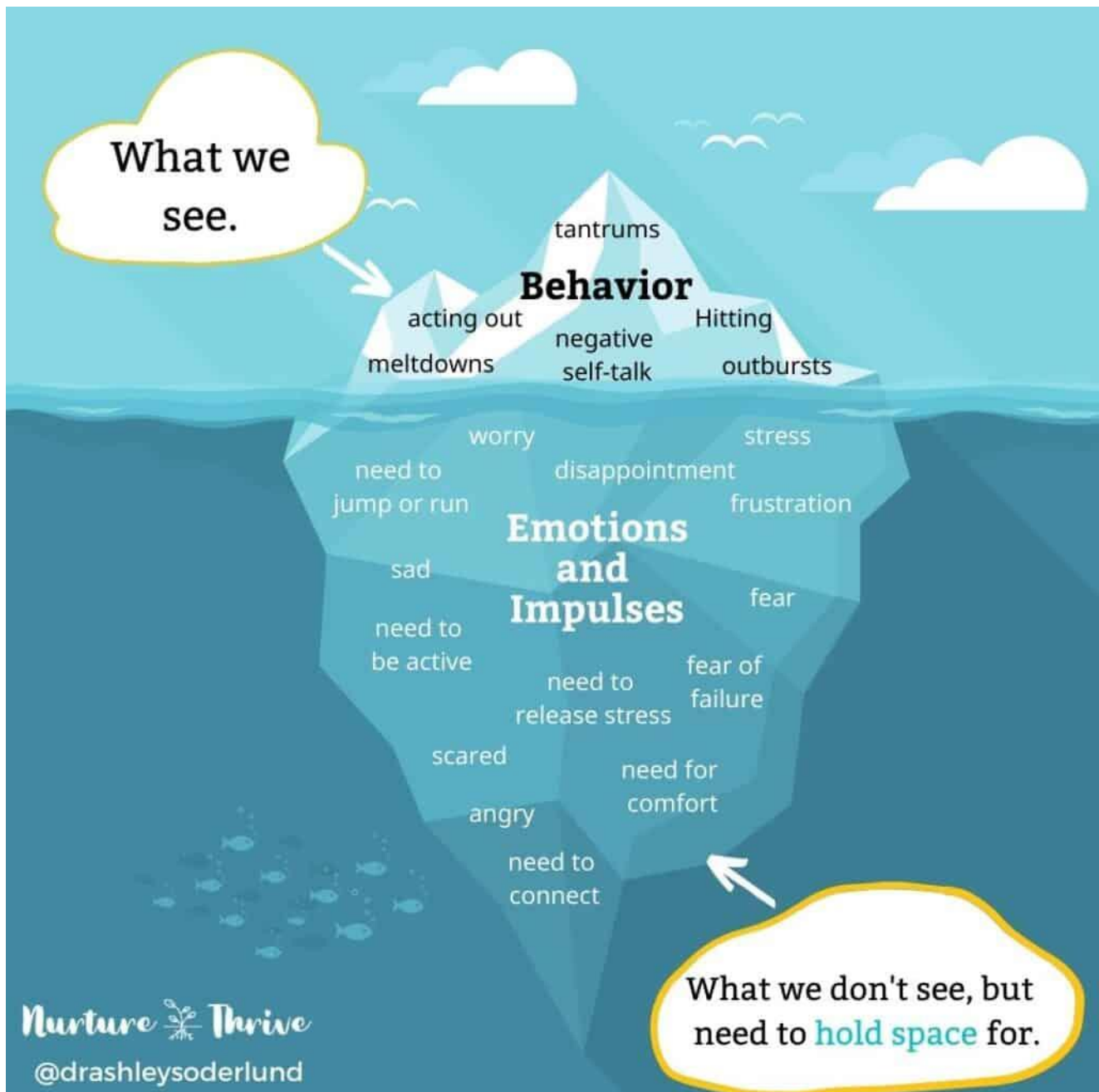
Or

Telephone: 01992 763679

Email: info@schooluniformdirect.org.uk



Behaviour Iceberg



Message in a Bottle Top Competition

The "Message in a Bottle Top" art project shares an inspiring and important message for pupils ages 5-11 about turning trash into treasure. They learn about wastefulness happening right under their noses and learn to see and create beauty out of the things they have around them. Children learn how to make a real difference in the world using creative and imaginative vision.

Following Composite Prime's example, pupils discover how to see the treasure in the waste we produce by creating an art mural or sculpture, inspired by and showcasing the creatures they'd love to protect using the very waste that harms them. Making an inspired piece of art using plastic bottle tops, with the aim of sharing an important environmental message about wildlife and the effects plastic waste has on it.

The competition closes on Friday 20th May 2022!

<https://nationalschoolpartnership.com/initiatives/message-in-a-bottle-top-year-2/>

Competition Leaflet

At Composite Prime we know first-hand the amount of plastic waste produced every year, as it makes up a huge percentage of our raw materials. We want to share the message that plastic waste can be recycled into beautiful products (like our garden decking!) and celebrate the imaginative ways this can be done. This is where your creativity comes in!

Last year we inspired almost 800 schools to create a mural or sculpture, either as a whole school, class, a team or individually, using often tricky to recycle plastic bottle tops as the main material. This year we want you to do the same! Your murals and/or sculptures should show wildlife that is affected by plastic waste and be accompanied by your statement or rationale explaining why you have picked this design.

Creating plastic artwork with impact

- Be inspired by waste artists - explore the work of Sarah Turner and Michelle Reader during the class sessions.
- Use the **Artists Top Tips Sheet** to discover ways to work with waste materials.
- Work with the bottle tops you have. How can they add to the design and overall impact of the art?
- Check out last year's top ten finalists to get inspiration for your artwork at www.composite-prime.com/message-in-a-bottle-top/



How to enter and competition details:

To win a **playground makeover worth £5,000** for your school and to be selected to have your artwork feature in an online exhibition, follow the steps below:

- Fill out your details on page 2 of this document. If you do not do this, your entry may not be counted!
- In the space provided, include your shared statement, or poem that accompanies your artwork and tell us approximately how many bottle tops you collected around the home.
- Scan in or send us a clear photograph of your entry form including your 150 word statement.
- **Don't forget to include in your email or envelope a clear photograph of your sculpture/mural.**

Send us your entries digitally to: competitions@nationalschoolpartnership.com

Alternatively send us your entry by post, including a photograph of your artwork to:
Message in a Bottle Top, We Are Futures, 1 Paris Garden, London, SE1 8ND

All entries must reach us by **Friday 20th May 2022**

See full T&Cs: <https://nationalschoolpartnership.com/composite-prime-terms-and-conditions/>



The winners of last year's competition,
Christ the King RC Primary School



Mindful March

Mindful March 2022

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY



1 Set an intention to live with awareness and kindness

2 Notice three things you find beautiful in the outside world

3 Start today by appreciating your body and that you're alive

4 Notice how you speak to yourself and choose to use kind words

5 Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them

6 Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels

7 Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day

8 Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture and smell of your food

9 Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others

10 Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face

11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee

12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying

13 Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today

14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that you do

15 Stop. Breathe. Notice. Repeat regularly

16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity

17 Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant

18 If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down

19 Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are

20 Focus on what makes you and others happy today
dayofhappiness.net

21 Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else

22 Notice something that is going well, even if today feels difficult

23 Tune into your feelings, without judging or trying to change them

24 Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do

25 Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted

26 Choose to spend less time looking at screens today

27 Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today

28 Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible

29 Choose a different route today and see what you notice

30 Mentally scan your body and notice what it is feeling

31 Discover the joy in the simple things of life



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

We all have mental health. Your mental health affects how you feel, think and act. It refers to your emotional, psychological and social wellbeing. Your mental health can change on a daily basis and over time, and can be affected by a range of factors.

More than one in 10 primary school children aged five to 10 has an identifiable mental health condition – that's around three children in every class.

Loneliness is affecting more and more of us in the UK and has had a huge impact on our physical and mental health during the pandemic. Our connection to other people and our community is fundamental to protecting our mental health and we need to find better ways of tackling the epidemic of loneliness. We can all play a part in this.

So, for Mental Health Awareness Week this May, we're raising awareness of the impact of loneliness on our mental wellbeing and the practical steps we can take to address it.





MINI ROCKERS

FOR RECEPTION TO YEAR 2

Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons, for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. No experience or instrument required.



ROCK HEROES

FOR YEARS 3 AND 4

Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons, for Years 3 and 4. No experience or instrument required.



ROCK ICONS

FOR YEARS 5 AND 6

Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons, for Years 5 and 6. No experience or instrument required.

<https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/info-for-parents>

- ✓ **Learn to play in a band**
Learning an instrument should be fun. Your child can choose from the electric guitar, keyboard, drums or vocals and enjoy playing in a happy, supportive environment with their friends.
- ✓ **From first notes to favourite songs**
The Rocksteady Programme is for all children aged 4-11 and is proven to progress musicianship, confidence and teamwork skills with no prior experience necessary.
- ✓ **Lead by real musicians**
Your child's music teacher should also be their role model. Which is why all Rocksteady Band Leaders are carefully chosen, extensively trained musicians who know how to inspire a life-long love of playing music.
- ✓ **With regular live performances**
Playing on stage is a huge confidence booster. With termly concerts at school assemblies, your child will be able to show off their progress to friends, teachers and parents with the rest of their band.
- ✓ **In school time**
Lessons are 30 minutes long and take place in school time with all instruments provided, making it hassle-free for parents.
- ✓ **And happily affordable**
Rocksteady is one of the most hassle-free ways to learn an instrument on a rolling subscription that you can cancel at any time. It's risk free too – cancel in the first month and you'll get a full refund.

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