

NEWSLETTER






24th May 2024



The Woodhouse Support Hub

<https://sites.google.com/woodhouse.academy/support>


How to get in touch

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 families@whp.greenheartlearning.org

- Use this for any queries. Monitored by the Inclusion Team
- You can also send us anything you'd like put in the newsletter. This can be photos, learning, resources and any good news stories you may have.

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- Use this for any queries about any additional learning needs or concerns.

Design a Healthy City competition

A 'healthy city' is a place where life of all kinds can bloom; where nature grows alongside - or on! - high-rise buildings. It's a bustling, clean, and happy place where our bodies and minds are nourished.

But what does a healthy city look like?

The challenge:

Create a picture that shows what you think a 'healthy city' could look like. Your picture could be a cityscape or a map. You might want to zoom right in and draw a particular part of your city. You could even draw a new invention that will make your city healthy. Get creative!


Here's a few thoughts to inspire you:

- How would people travel in a healthy city?
- How will nature and wildlife be supported?
- What will people eat and how will they get their food?
- How will people reduce waste?
- Where will people live?
- How will your city's community stay healthy?

Please return
entries by
June 3rd.

Design a Healthy City





My healthy city, explained:

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What next?

Scan/photograph your creations and submit them to healthycities@bupa.com by June 10.

Created by:

School name:



Healthy Cities
By Bupa

Stars of the Week

The following children are Stars of the Week for the week ending 24th May.

Reception

Isabella
Nai
Simon
Ella

Year One

Amaya
Theo
Oscar
Temi

Year Two

Tania
Beau
Logan
Gabi

Year Three

Joanna
Tobias
Jessica
Peeches
Rahman
Aisha

Year Four

Rhyley-Joe
Akif
Noon
Ali A

Year Five

Simran
Eleanor
Vanessa
Lara

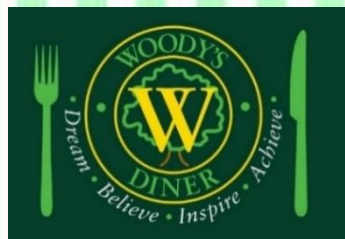
Year Six

Mila J
Jessica
Erfan
Logan

Rainbow Room

George





School Dinner Menu

3rd – 7th June

NOTE: We operate a 3-week rolling menu. Keep an eye on the menu each week for changes.

We use a range of suppliers, including local businesses so menus are subject to change if items are unavailable.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Nuggets	Beef Spaghetti Bolognese	Roast Chicken	Fish Fingers	Pizza Day
Vegan Sausage Roll	Tomato and Basil Pasta	Roast Quorn	Vegetable Fingers	Cheese and Tomato Pizza
Herby Diced Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans or Tuna	Roast or Mashed Potatoes	Savoury Rice	Or Pepperoni Pizza
Baked Beans or Vegetables	Garlic Bread & Fresh Salad	Seasonal Vegetables	Chip Shop Curry Sauce	With Chips and Fresh Salad
Arctic Roll	Apple or Rhubarb Crumble & Custard	Chocolate Brownie	Iced Ginger Sponge	Selection of Fruit Desserts
Fresh Fruit and Fresh Salad Bar available daily				

Food Allergies

In order to keep our dietary records up to date, please inform the main office of any changes to your child's dietary requirements, allergies and intolerances. We are able to cater for most requirements but must know in advance.

If your child only eats Halal meats but can eat fish, please also let the main office know. We do not serve Halal meats.

Please either contact the main office on 0121 464 1769 or email us on families@whp.greenheartlearning.org

Please also remember that we are a NUT FREE SCHOOL

Academic Year 2023 – 2024

Summer Term 2024

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May -

Half Term break. School closed to children

Monday 3rd June – First day back for all children

Tuesday 4th June – School Cabinet visit
to The Houses of Parliament

Friday 7th June – Class Photos

– ALL children to be in full school uniform

Thursday 13th June – Children’s University Graduation – Mrs Ali will send invites
to those involved

Monday 17th June – Wednesday 19th June – Year 6 Residential to Bell Heath

Monday 17th June – 2P Class Assembly – 9am – Class parents invited

Wednesday 19th June – Stay and Play sessions for September starters

- Reception: 9:30 – 10:30

- Nursery: 1:30 – 2:30

Tuesday 25th June – Year 5 Flight day to Perryfields

Wednesday 26th June – Stay and Play sessions for September starters

- Reception: 9:30 – 10:30

- Nursery: 1:30 – 2:30

Thursday 27th & Friday 28th June – Year 4, 5 & 6 Puberty Sessions

Monday 1st July – EYFS & KS1 Sports Day 1 – 3pm Parents invited

Tuesday 2nd July – KS2 Sports Day 1 – 3pm Parents invited

Wednesday 3rd July – Year 1 visit to Weston-Super-Mare

Wednesday 10th July – Nursery Graduation morning

Thursday 11th July – Reception Graduation morning

Tuesday 16th July – Summer Concerts – Further details to follow

Thursday 18th July – Year 6 Leavers BBQ 3pm

Friday 19th July – Last day of school for children

Monday 22nd July – Inset day, school closed for children

Tuesday 23rd July – End of Summer Term

Further dates here: <https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/news-and-events/school-events>



Eco News – 30 Days Wild!



Now the summer weather is here; it's a great time for children to get outside! During June, The Wildlife Trust are trying to encourage children to try different outside activities with the 30 Days Wild Challenge. It doesn't need to be expensive, it could be something as simple as looking at the wildlife nearby, have a picnic or visit a park. You can sign up with the Wildlife Trust and they will send you a pack of activities and a wallchart through the post to track your 30 days of wild activities.

[30 Days Wild | The Wildlife Trusts](#)

If you decide to take part please let us know. We would love to hear about the activities you try and see any photos. These can be sent to enquiries@whp.greenheartlearning.org

THE wildlife TRUSTS

All our lives are better if they're a bit wild

What Random Acts of Wildness will you try this June? Keep a note of what you did and how it made you feel.

Share your daily Random Acts of Wildness photos and wild places using #30DaysWild

Make up your own wild activities or be inspired by our Random Acts of Wildness at wildlifetrusts.org/30DaysWild

30 DAYS WILD

Monday 3 June ✓

Tuesday 4 June ✓

Wednesday 5 June ✓

Thursday 6 June ✓

Friday 7 June ✓

Saturday 8 June ✓

Sunday 9 June ✓

Monday 10 June ✓

Tuesday 11 June ✓

Wednesday 12 June ✓

Thursday 13 June ✓

Friday 14 June ✓

Saturday 15 June ✓

Sunday 16 June ✓

Monday 17 June ✓

Tuesday 18 June ✓

Wednesday 19 June ✓

Thursday 20 June ✓

Friday 21 June ✓

Saturday 22 June ✓

Sunday 23 June ✓

Monday 24 June ✓

Tuesday 25 June ✓

Wednesday 26 June ✓

Thursday 27 June ✓

Friday 28 June ✓

Saturday 29 June ✓

Sunday 30 June ✓

Big Wild Weekend

Stay wild with your Wildlife Trust

Feeling inspired? Find out more about your Wildlife Trust and how you can continue to get for wildlife wildlifetrusts.org/30dayswild

attendance ~~MATTERS~~


13th – 17th May

Whole School Attendance for the year currently running at: **94.34%**

Last week's attendance:

EYFS & KS1: **94.03%** KS2: **95.38%** Whole School: **94.93%**

Our Attendance target for this year is 97%

Class	Attendance for the week	Class	Attendance for the week
Nursery	96.08%	3A	97.42%
RL	93.10%	3S	90.67%
RW	95.86%	4H	96.67%
1B	91.72%	4R	90.67%
1O	95.67%	5H	92.90%
2F	95.17%	5W	98.33%
2P	99%	6D	100% 
RR	76.47%	6WO	98.62%

Congratulations to **6D** who had the best class attendance last week.



Well done to **2P** who had the best class attendance in EYFS & KS1 last week.

Will you help your class have the best class attendance next week?

Attendance Challenge

Monday 8th April – Friday 24th May

Congratulations to **Daryl** in **RW** and **Madison** in **5W** who won this half term's 34-day 100% challenge.

There were **155** children with **100%** attendance this half term.
Will you be in the draw for next half term?

No Shelf Control

Edition 36 - April 2024

Keedie Elle McNicoll

A flash back to the pandemic, a book on my reading pile that didn't really jump out at me. I'm not sure why, I hadn't even read the blurb. One day I decided to give it a whirl, and I was so glad that I did. I joined the blog tour and started shouting about the book from the rooftops.

Since then, I've been a complete fanboy of Elle's books, and I've made sure that there are copies in every school I've worked in.

The sequel dropped this month and unfortunately for any other book released this month, there could only be one Book of the Month...

We start by seeing Keedie confronting some bullies who are upsetting her best friend, Bonnie. She quickly realised that is what she does well. She is the only person brave enough to stand up when others won't. Yet somehow she's the one always getting in trouble for it.

Demand grows, and she sets up her own anti-bullying agency, learning more about the bullies with every one that she confronts.

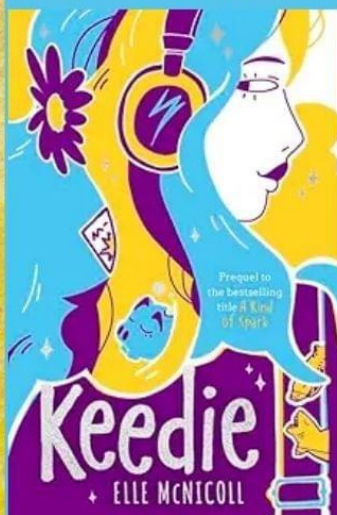
Unfortunately, the biggest bullies of them all are her twin sister's friends. Nina is slowly turning into one of them, and Keedie is losing her twin. Also, their headteacher is unimpressed by Keedie's efforts and appoints his own anti-bullying ambassadors - Nina and her aforementioned friends... which obviously doesn't sit well.

At the same time as losing one sister, Keedie is learning more about our old friend, her little sister, Addie. As the

whole family begins to consider whether she too is neurodiverse, the kindness, tenderness, and protection that Keedie shows her little sister brought a tear to my eye.

Rather than a book about autism, Keedie is an inclusive book about kindness and standing up for what is right.

Keedie is out from Knights of Also check out A Kind of Spark on CBBC.



Books



Reviews



chats

9 Books about... Cabbages



Cabbages are underrated. When cooked properly they can be delicious. Unfortunately, Nans and Grandmas all over the country over boil them so your parents hate cabbages. That's why no-one writes books about cabbages. Here are 9 books that should be about cabbages but are not...

1. Amari

B.B Alston



This front cover could be improved if that ball was a cabbage!

2. Banana

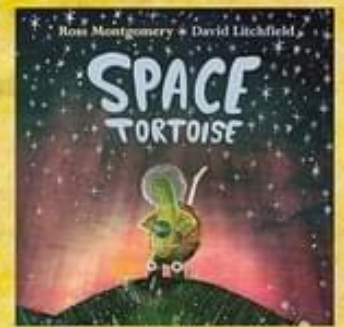
Ed Vere



Monkeys would love cabbages if they just gave them a try.

3. Space Tortoise

Ross Montgomery & David Litchfield



I suppose tortoises quite like cabbages, maybe they taste even better in space.

4. Amulet

Kazu Kibuichi



Imagine a magical cabbage that gives you powers...

5. Everything You Know About Sharks is Wrong

Dr Nick Crumpton & Gavin Scott



Everything you know about cabbages is wrong!

6. Dread Wood

Jennifer Killick



Instead of giant killer spiders, we could have had killer cabbages!

7. The Bumblebear

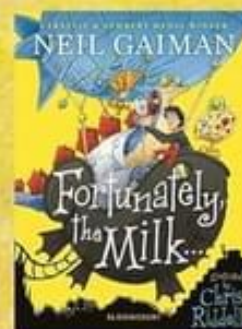
Nadia Shireen



If the bees introduced bears to cabbages instead of honey...

8. Fortunately the Milk

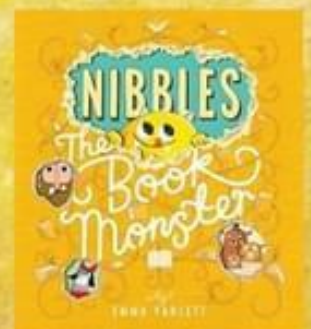
Neil Gaiman & Chris Riddell



Crazy adventures when dad pops out to get more cabbages.

9. Nibbles The Book Monster

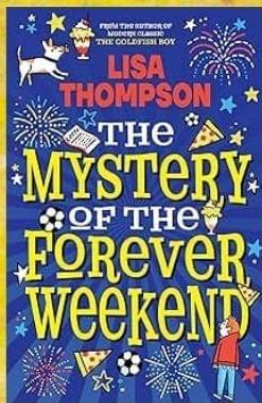
Emma Yarlett



Let Nibbles eat a cabbage instead of the book.



If you have any questions or have a book released soon that you feel deserves a place on the newsletter: Email us - MisterBodd@outlook.com



The Mystery of the Forever Weekend

Lisa Thompson

Scholastic 9+

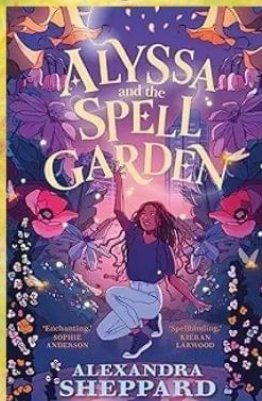
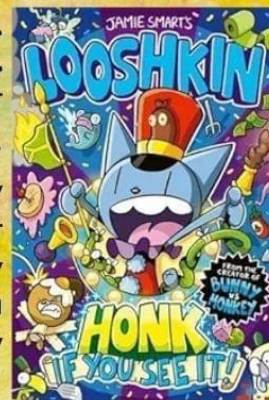
Cory dreads Sundays, until a mysterious time loop grants him endless weekends. But as the novelty wears off, he yearns for normalcy. As with all of her books, this is a captivating blend of humour, mystery, and heart. Tackling real-life issues with sensitivity. Cory's journey is both delightful and thought-provoking—a must-read!

Looshkin- Honk If You See It

Jamie Smart

David Fickling 7+

Some books don't actually need reviews... If you know Looshkin, you'll be buying this straight away. If you don't know Looshkin, turn to the nearest child to you and say "Oi, you - tell me about Looshkin". They'll tell you everything that you need to know. Unless they're a baby or a dog dressed up as a human.



Alyssa and the Spell Garden

Alexandra Sheppard and Bex Glendining

Faber & Faber 8+

Alyssa discovers her latent magical abilities during a summer stay with unfamiliar relatives. Sheppard seamlessly weaves themes of community and activism into a charming narrative. With diverse characters and stunning illustrations, this hopeful tale celebrates the power of collective action and inclusion.

Peregrine Quinn

Ash Bond

Piccadilly 8+

Embark on an exhilarating journey with Peregrine Quinn in this enthralling middle-grade adventure! When portals between realms collapse and her godfather is kidnapped, Peregrine teams up with a quirky cast including a dryad, a faun, and a sentient plant to rescue him. With humour, magic, and friendship. You won't be able to resist this!



One To Wait for...

Dungeon Runners - Kieran Larwood & Joe Todd Stanton

Nosy Crow - June 24

When two of the children's book G.O.A.Ts combine, you know it is going to be good. Fans of Podkin and the Brownstone books will be extremely excited for this!



Twice Upon a Time

Michelle Harrison & Natalie Smillie

Simon & Schuster Children 9+

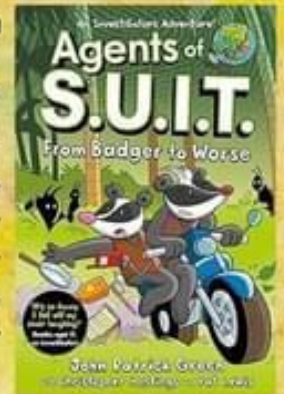
An enchanting blend of mystery and magic that transports readers into the intriguing world of the Morrow twins, Merry and Spike. With their unique ability to stop time, they unravel the secrets of Fox House, embarking on a thrilling adventure that kept me captivated until the very end. Harrison's rich storytelling and clever plot twists make this a must-read for fans of mysteries with a magical twist.

Agents of S.U.I.T

John Patrick Green, Christopher Hastings and Pat Lewis

Macmillan Children 6+

The second book focusing on different agents from the world of 'The Investigators'. Another brilliant graphic novel that will be well loved by children of all ages. This book follows Bongo and Marsha, the super badger spies. Unfortunately, due to budget cuts... they've got to complete this mission without all of the fancy tech and gizmos that they've become used to.



Dinosaur Pie

Jen Wallace & Alan O'Rourke

Little Island 6+

This is a delightful chapter book that combines laughter and heart in a charming story about a boy with ADHD who unexpectedly turns into a dinosaur after eating a pie his mum bought him... Readers aged 6 and up will be captivated by Rory's misadventures as he navigates life as a dinosaur, from his struggles with communication to his newfound obsession with sausages.

A Sprinkle of Happiness

Lucy Rowland & David Litchfield

Scholastic 5+

A heart-warming tale that beautifully illustrates the power of kindness. We follow a boy and his grandmother as they nurture a tiny sunflower seed into a towering plant that spreads joy throughout their community. Despite a setback when the sunflower is blown down by a storm, the story focusses on resilience and new beginnings. This book is delightful for all ages.



One You Might Have Missed

The Little Wooden Robot and the Log Princess - Tom Gauld
Templar - 5+ Sept 2021

I absolutely loved this at the time (it was one of our books of the year) and every now and then a child will ask me to read it and I fall in love with it all over again. A beautifully illustrated fairy tale that should be enjoyed for generations



WOODHOUSE PRE-LOVED ESSENTIALS

We have a wide range of pre-loved uniform and non-school uniform items free of charge to those who need them. You are more than welcome to come and help yourself anytime.

We also have shoes, trainers, coats, hats, gloves, scarves and bags available.

Household Support

We are also able to access support for a wide range of household items such as white goods, beds, bedding etc.

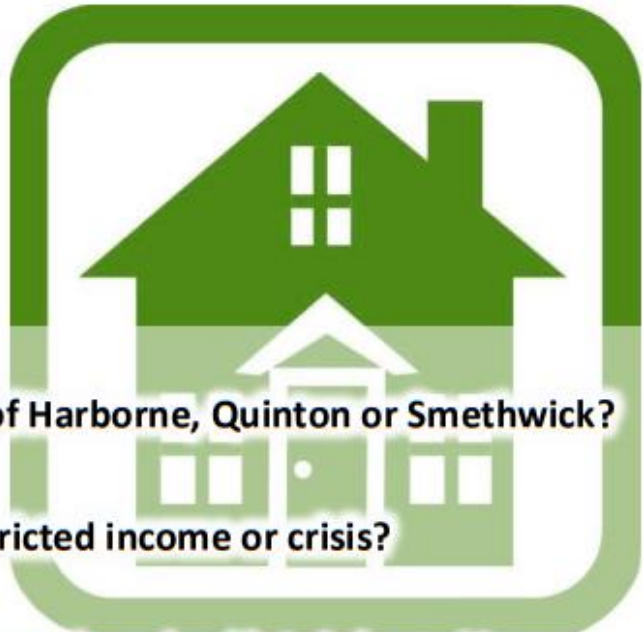
Please speak with Mr Kennedy, the office staff or email us at families@whp.greenheartlearning.org if you need support with any of this.

Help with Laundry

Thanks to a company called Smol and their Suds in Schools project, we also have washing and drying facilities within school for families who are struggling with this where we can offer a discrete laundry service.

If this is of any help to anyone, please speak with Mr Kennedy.





Are you a permanent resident of Harborne, Quinton or Smethwick?

Are you struggling due to a restricted income or crisis?

If so, Harborne Parish Lands Charity (HPLC) may be able to help provide you with essential items for your home such as white goods, beds, bedroom storage, or a whole host of support. This list isn't exhaustive but unfortunately we cannot provide cash or debt relief or help with bills.



HPLC is a friendly local charity. Our mission is to help people who are in need and who live in the "Ancient Parish of Harborne" (which even includes a large area of Smethwick!)

Each case is always looked at on an individual basis and application are always followed up with a home visit.



For an informal chat about your circumstances, please contact a member of staff at reception, or in the office, or one of our Support Officers.




If you are interested in a life-changing vocation and can provide a safe, loving home to a child in care, we'd love to hear from you.

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A photograph of a young girl with curly hair, wearing a pink top and a grey patterned cardigan, holding a brown doll with black hair and a yellow bow. The background is softly blurred.

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23rd October 2023: 10:00

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Family Q & A

7th February 2024: 10:00

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Family Q & A

24th May 2024: 10:00

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Family Q & A

13th December 2023: 10:00

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Family Q & A

21 March 2024: 10:00

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Family Q & A

17 July 2024: 10:00

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Getting School Ready

[Wednesday 29th May](#)

or

[Wednesday 19th June 2024](#)

both 10.00 -11.00am

For tips and strategies to support children who are moving from an Early Years setting to Primary School

Preparing for Secondary School

[Thursday 30th May](#) 10.00 -11.00am

or

[Thursday 20th June 2024](#) 1:00-2:00pm

For tips and strategies to support young people who are moving from Primary School to Secondary School

Moving on from Secondary School

[Thursday 31st May](#) or

[Thursday 21st June 2024](#)

both 10.00 -11.00am

For tips and strategies to support young people who are moving on from Secondary School

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