# The Horsley School Bag

## Friday 26th June 2020

Newsletter 14 from Mr Price, Head Teacher

Our value this term is: Truthfulness



#### **Dear Parents**

A massive CONGRATULATIONS to four young writers from Owls Class, who have been chosen for publication in a book showcasing young writers' work, called Ridiculous Writers - Super Stories.

This year's challenge was to write a mini-saga, by choosing two words to create a silly pair to inspire their work. Our crazy story writer winners are Cassie, Sky, Arthur and Mack.

We are so proud of you all!



#### In Foxes Class this week...

We have been making fans to help keep us cool.





During outdoor learning we collected flowers. We pressed them and this week we turned them into beautiful hanging mobiles.

We have been busy using Numicon to practice our number bonds to 10.















#### Looking ahead...



#### 2020/2021 Academic Year Dates

Term 1: Wed 2nd September - Thur 22nd October 2020
Term 2: Tues 3rd November - Fri 18th December 2020
Term 3: Tues 5th January - Fri 12th February 2021
Term 4: Mon 22nd February - Thur 1st April 2021
Term 5: Tue 20th April - Fri 28th May 2021
Term 6: Mon 7th June - Wed 21st July 2021



#### INSET days for the next academic year

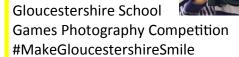
Tuesday 1st September 2020 Friday 23rd October 2020 Monday 2nd November 2020 Monday 4th January 2021 Monday 19th April 2021



### **Please note:**

Summer Term **this** year ends on Thursday 16th July at 12.15pm

#### **Get Snapping!**



GET OUT - GET ACTIVE GET SNAPPING
What makes YOU smile?

Whilst times are difficult for so many people we want to share photos of things that make you smile. It may be an amazing view, an animal, a moment, people or just something crazy that made you laugh!

Snap it and send it in to info@gloucestershireschoolgames.org.uk

#### Safeguarding: Staying safe online

With the increased amount of time children are spending online during this lockdown period, many of you may have concerns about safeguarding. The media has reported that there has been a significant increase in on-line abuse. This month the BBC also reported how Facebook and Instagram are now being used as a key means to groom children. Please note, children of primary age are too young to have a Facebook or Instagram account. We have also been alerted to the dangers of an app called TikTok. TikTok is a currently a trend with many children and young people. We are being told, as a social network tool, TikTok makes it easy to connect with other users. This includes the ability to comment on, and react to other user's videos, follow their profile and download their content. Be aware that by default, any user can comment on a child's video on TikTok, if their account is set to public.

Although we teach on-line safety regularly within our school PSHE curriculum and through events such as Safer Internet Days, many children have of course not been in school for many months, and may have forgotten some of the skills and knowledge they developed to help them stay safe online. Please continue to check what your child has access to and how they spend their time on-line.

Next month, Year 6 will be receiving a session provided by the charity Infobuzz on the dangers of sexting and on-line grooming. In recent times, sexting has also become a massive area of concern in secondary schools, and is on the rise in primary schools. It is essential that we equip the children with the essential skills and knowledge to stay safe in a rapidly changing world.