

# High Ercall News 2 – 16.9.22



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**Bees and Bugs day! - Friday 30th September**



A date for your diary! On **Friday 30th September** we would like the children to come dressed up as bees or bugs to celebrate our use of Phonics Bug in Classes 1 and 2 in particular for reading and games, and Spelling Bee in Classes 3, 4 and 5 for our spelling homework and games. During the day we will remind the children about what they should be using, and play some of the activities and games.

Simple costumes are enough—just some headgear, or all in black as a bug! Please don't think you have to buy a costume.

At 2.30pm, I will hold a short meeting in the hall to share with parents in Class 1 and 2 about access to Phonics Bug. It is so important that the children are reading and practising their phonics at homes as well as school—but we know that sometimes accessing and finding your way around online sites can be tricky.



Phonics Bug

Children in Class 1 and 2 will start being allocated books and games on Phonics Bug from next week—depending on their year group. A guide to logging on has been sent home via email today. **Please come along to the parent meeting to chat and look at the site.**

DATE	EVENT
Friday 30th September	Bees and Bugs day—come dressed up!
Monday 17th October	2.00pm Harvest Festival in church—more details to be announced
Friday 21st October	Start of half term
Monday 31st October	Return from half term
Mon 14th Nov— Fri 18th Nov	Arthog—Year 6
W/b 21st November	Parent Conversation meetings
Monday 12th December	Carol Service—more details to follow
Friday 16th December	Break up for Christmas
Tuesday 3rd January	PD day—Staff only in school
Wednesday 4th January	Return from Christmas
Friday 17th February	Break for half term
Monday 27th February	Return after half term

**The state funeral of HRH Queen Elizabeth II**

A reminder that Monday 19th September is now a bank holiday. A letter was sent out on Monday to share this. We will be open as normal on Tuesday 20th September.



Our library has had a make over! The librarians use it daily with children from Class 1.



**Curriculum Focus**

Class 4 have been finding out about planets this week in **Science** and ordering them outside. They've tried to work out a scale for distance between them!



Class 3 have continued with the **Design Technology**—looking at dough and how to make and shape it.



Class 2 have been using the forest area to help with ideas for the **setting of Little Red Riding Hood.**



## 5R Star!

**Respectful, Resilient, Responsible, Reflective, Resourceful**

**Well done to:**



**Class 1: Elizabeth—being responsible**



**Class 2: Rory—all round 5R star!**



**Class 3: Nate—being responsible**



**Class 4: Bella—being respectful**



**Class 5: Ben J—being responsible and resilient**



**Online Safety Update**

PEGI rating—please be aware of the ratings for games and apps which your child uses. A reminder:

**Fortnite—12 years old**

**Roblox— 7 years old**

Be very aware of the 'friends' that your child adds, if you decide they can play these games. Guidance also suggests that playing games in a central area at home is better than in bedrooms away from supervision. This website has good guides on parental controls and aspects to be aware of: <https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/parents-guide-to-roblox-and-how-your-kids-can-play-it-safely/>

