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Value for this half term: Hope

Theme for this week (18 - 22 September 2023): Hope - planting hope

Life Skills theme for the week: We have empathy for others

Life in All its Fullness:

There is still time this weekend to get involved in the national Heritage Open Days project (link here). Throughout September, across the UK, there are lots of free opportunities to find out a little more about our local history, culture and architecture.

Even if you don't get involved in an organised event, this weekend may be a good time to take



The Harleston Sancroft Academy is a community that flourishes, through God's love, to live

'Life in All its Fullness'.

(JOHN 10:10 AND JOHN 13:34).

We are a foundation of **Hope**; a family of **Love**; a school of nurture guided by **Faith**; promoting a unique, personalised journey towards excellence.



taking a moment to look up at the range of buildings and see if you can spot any little details that you've never seen before.

Which are your favourite Norfolk / Suffolk buildings? Why do you like them? Are they buildings that you are allowed to enter, and if so, have you

ever stepped inside? Have you seen the local carved angels, dragons, Green Men and gargoyles? You might surprise yourself if you take a moment to look up!

a slightly slower, more measured walk through one of our local market towns, or the fine city of Norwich,

As well as looking at our man-made heritage, it is hard to ignore the colours of Autumn and feel the changing of the seasons. It's not quite Autumn yet, but the nights are drawing in and the mornings have a misty, cooler edge to them.

The poem, 'Autumn', by Alan Bold, overleaf, is a favourite of GCSE English examiners and has appeared on several summer exam papers - perhaps because of its brevity, the extended metaphor that runs through it, and the way it captures the slightly mischievous quality of the season.

Autumn - Alan Bold

Autumn arrives
Like an experienced robber
Grabbing the green stuff
Then cunningly covering his tracks
With a deep multitude
Of colourful distractions.

And the wind,
The wind is his accomplice
Putting an air of chaos
Into the careful diversions
So branches shake
And dead leaves are suddenly blown
In the faces of inquisitive strangers.

The theft chills the world, Changes the temper of the earth Till the normally placid sky Glows red with a quiet rage.

Key dates for September:

Thursday 21 September: Y6 Information Evening, from 18:00-19:00 Monday 25 & Tuesday 26 September: Open Days in the Secondary Phase

Attendance matters:

The Department for Education (DfE) published this information a little earlier in September:

"There is wide agreement among health professionals and educational professionals that school attendance is vital to the life chances of children and young people.

Being in school improves health, wellbeing and socialisation throughout the life course. The greatest benefits come from children and young people attending school regularly.

It is usually appropriate for parents and carers to send their children to

school with mild respiratory illnesses. This would include general cold symptoms: a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat. However, children should *not* be sent to school if they have a temperature of 38°C or above."

The DfE has shared the following information: <u>NHS 'Is my child too ill for school?' guidance</u> which we hope will be useful for parents and carers.



School website and Twitter:

The <u>school website</u> is a useful source of information. Please also visit the Harleston Sancroft Academy <u>Twitter</u> <u>feed</u> for photos and updates.

Supporting families - supporting young people's mental health

Here is some information that we're keen to share with you around supporting children's and young people's mental health. Please feel free to have a look at the resources / courses.

As it states in the flyer (bottom right), you can access for free the various online courses and resources: INOURPLACE - please use the code: JON70.



A prayer for the week ahead

Sow a seed of peace in our lives, Lord, that we might bear the fruits of forgiveness, compassion and righteousness. Come sow a seed of love in our hearts, Lord, that others would reap the blessings of family, friendship and community.

May each seed of hope, peace and love grow within us into a harvest that can be feasted on by all.

Amen.