

# HJS Picnic and Treasure Hunt

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On Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, Henleaze Junior School enjoyed a delightful afternoon picnic and treasure hunt.

The afternoon began with a relaxing and fun picnic. Children were encouraged to donate cakes to be dispensed among the rest of the school, and to bring in savoury snacks for themselves. Everything was planned beautifully, but, unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate; children experienced a light drizzle upon exit of their classrooms. However, the slight inconvenience did not dampen the mood, as everyone still found the activity entertaining. In fact, inventive ways of keeping dry were implemented. That day, children had been encouraged to wear 1950s style clothing, so there were many long skirts. Some simply spread the skirts and let others sit on them to keep dry.

The picnic was followed by an equally exciting treasure hunt. All the questions were created by the children. Each class had to create four questions: something to find, to observe, to do, and to know. Each class was split into their teams, and a child from the Infant school joined each group. Each year group had a specific colour flag to find. Many were extremely excited to be participating in the scintillating event, leading to a horde of giggling children rushing onto the playground. Ten minutes were given to complete as many questions as possible, and once the hunt had finished, each child was permitted to take a cake from the cake table.

Towards the end of the day, a monumental cake was served; HJS's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday cake. School council (deputies and heads) were asked to take part in putting the candles in the cake. A picture



of the school council was taken, along



with the cake, candles aflame. Every school council member was given a slice. The cake itself was beautifully decorated with white frosting and elaborate piping down the sides. Best of all, the logo was printed on the front. To end the festivities, the whole school sang happy birthday as the candles were blown out.