



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 3rd March, 2017



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Wonderful World Book Day!

What an amazing day we had on Thursday! I was blown away with the wonderful costumes worn by the children, not to mention the staff, for World Book Day. I feel I must say a huge thank you to everyone for your time, effort and hard work in ensuring that the children looked like their favourite book characters. You did a fantastic job- THANK YOU!



School Council Visit!

On Monday, our school council visited Charnock Richard Primary School in order to find out more information about the range of playground toys, games and activities they'd like to see at Heskin. The children were a credit to the school, playing cooperatively with new friends and demonstrating impeccable manners throughout the visit. Thank you Mrs Hugo and Mrs Keane for organising the trip.

Easter Service.

Our school Easter Service will take place on Friday 31st March at St. James The Great Church at 9:00am. Please bring your children to the church that morning, rather than school, and please feel free to stay and attend the service. It would be great to see as many of you there as possible. Transport back to school has been organised.

Cultural Educ-Asian Day.

I am delighted to tell you that Prags Burke will once again be visiting our school. You will probably know Prags from the amazing artwork she helped the children to create, depicting our Christian Values, which is displayed in the school hall. On this visit she will be exploring other cultures through cooking and dance. I'm pretty excited about the dance and, I don't mind telling you, I am over the moon about the cooking!! We look forward to welcoming Prags back to our school on Wednesday 22nd March.

What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1- This week we have continued to look at underwater creatures. We explored poetry, sharing 'Commotion in the Ocean'. Could we guess which creature the poem was about? How did we know? How would that animal move or dance? We created our own octopuses, remembering to give them 8 dangly tentacles. In our maths, we have been exploring weight. Using balance scales and spring balance, we identified heavy and light objects. How did the scales help us work weight problems out? We have also been busy enjoying Pancake Day, Sportscool and World Book Day! Phew!

Class 2- This week started with our Big Write. We all wrote our own Fairy tale about a character who lived in a clock tower. In maths, we have been dividing. Some of us have been writing number stories to develop understanding of the language involved with division. We have also learned how to work out division calculations using pictures/jottings. In science we had a visit from our School Science Governor and on World Book Day our class Governor came for a visit. We all looked fabulous on World Book Day and we made our bookmarks, front covers and our very own books.

Class 3- In English, we have written our shadow puppet show as a funny story. We have also spent time exploring clauses in our sentences. On World Book Day we recommended favourite books to our friends. Maths has been all about division this week. We have divided with cubes, sweets and fingers and have learnt how to divide by taking away. Year 4 have been dividing using 'chunking method'. We have been investigating how shadows increase in size as an object is moved towards the light source. This has involved working cooperatively and making precise observations. We have also begun to look at the emotions involved in the Easter Story.

Class 4- In class 4 this week we have been reading and working on *The Jungle Book*. We are really getting to know the characters well. In maths, year six have been focusing on addition and subtraction while year 5 have been learning the properties of 2 and 3D shapes. In R.E. we thought about what it means to be victorious and times when we have felt victorious. In science we learnt about the human eye and how we see. We drew diagrams and labelled them. This week, we have started to look at Rivers in our topic work and the part they play in the water cycle.



Extra-Curricular Clubs.

Our school clubs have been up and running this week and it's great to see so many children taking part in such a wide variety of activities. Football Training and Sportscool Olympics Club will be starting next week on Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively.

Sainsbury's Active Kids.

Thank you for all the Sainsbury's vouchers we've received so far. Please keep sending these important vouchers in to school.

Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea Party.

On Friday 24th March, our hardworking PTFA will be organising an afternoon tea party for mums, grandmothers and their children. This will be lovely event so please try to attend if at all possible. A PTFA letter containing more details will go home with the children early next week.

Packed Lunch Boxes

If your child has a packed lunch at school please can you check that they take their lunch boxes and plastic bags home with them at the end of every day? We've noticed a growing number of bags and boxes being left in school, especially on a Friday. This means that waste food can be left for quite some time which may cause a potential hygiene risk. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation with this matter.

Reading a Book in an Unusual Place Competition!

Thank you for your amazing entries. The photographs are wonderful and you've all been really creative. It was a very tough decision to make but, after much consultation, this year's winner is Roddy Crighton.

Well done, Roddy. We felt that your outfit, your book and your location were the perfect combination.

Important Dates

09.03.17: PFTA Meeting. 7:00pm White Lion

22.03.17: Cultural Educ-Asian Day

23.03.17: Parents' Evening

24.03.17: Red Nose Day

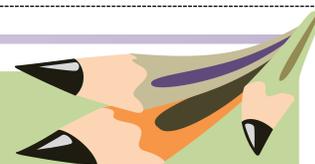
24.03.17: PTFA Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea Party

27.03.17: Parents' Evening

30.03.17: PTFA Easter Bingo

31.03.17: Easter Service in church

31.03.17: School Closes at 2:00pm for Easter



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Class 1 – Sophie Scott

Class 2 – Y1 Danielle Pitt
Y2 Evan Lewis-Guinness

Class 3 – Y3 Olivia Green
Y4 Zara Robinson

Class 4 – Jessica Pitt

Joke of the Week:

Finally, our Joke of the Week comes from Ysabel in Class 4. The joke is great but I did think it was a quiz question about a town in Wales when I first read it!

Q: What starts with a P, ends with an E and has a million letters in it?

A: Post Office!

Thanks, Ysabel. That was excellent.

Have a great week, everybody.

Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher

