



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 10th February, 2017



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

As we reach our half term break, I thought I'd better say a few words of thanks for the warm welcome I've received since joining this truly special school. I feel so privileged to be a part of Heskin Pemberton's wonderful family and I look forward to a very happy, exciting and successful future together. Thank you!

Congratulations Nelson!

The winning House this half term is Nelson. Well done to everyone for all your effort and hard work over the last five weeks. On Friday 24th February, Nelson House can celebrate their magnificent achievement by having their own special non-uniform day.

Jumping Gymnasts!

On Wednesday, our Year 3 & 4 Gymnastics Squad took part in the Chorley Schools Level 2 Gymnastics Competition. A delighted Mrs Cowie said, "I was very proud of all our children. They were a credit to Heskin School and a credit to their parents. Well done, everyone!" HESKIN'S SQUAD: Isobel, Spencer, Meg, Zara, Phoebe, Olivia and Leo.

Wonderful World Book Day

On Thursday 2nd March, we will be celebrating World Book Day in style at Heskin Pemberton's! During the day, we will be dressing up as our favourite book characters and, after school, there will be a Book Fair taking place in the school hall. Oh, and don't forget to hand in your entries for 'The Most Unusual Place to Read a Book' competition... I really need a catchier title for that one!

Mrs Fry- You've nailed it!

It is with great sadness that I have to inform you that our long serving school bursar, Mrs Fry, will be leaving us in April. Although I have only known her for a short time, I have loved working with Mrs Fry and I really value everything she has done for our school. Mrs Fry has recently gained a NSI Diploma and she will be leaving us to pursue a career as a fully qualified Nail Technician. I'm sure you'll join with me in wishing her the very best of luck in her exciting new venture.

Good Luck!

What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1- Our focus this week has been Aliens. We shared 'Aliens in Underpants Save the World' and talked about how they are all different colours, shapes and sizes. Using playdough and craft objects, we created our own aliens. We took their photo for a passport which we wrote their description in. In our Maths work we have re visited repeating patterns. We used the beads and strings to create patterned necklaces. We also painted the aliens a repeating pattern on their underpants! Have a lovely relaxing week off!

Class 2- This week we have been writing our own fairy tales and practising our handwriting. In Maths, we have been doubling and multiplying using arrays and repeated addition. Year 1 have been learning their doubles facts up to double 10 and we are even beginning to learn the corresponding half fact. We have been busy learning about Internet Safety. We have been using child friendly search engines (kiddle and kid-rex) and using 'Hector's World' stories to learn about being Internet Smart (CEOPS website).

Class 3- In our English, we have travelled further into our Journey book. We have encountered a magical palace and used adjectives and adverbs to describe where the character sailed to. In Maths we have used g and kg to find the mass of objects. We have read weighing scales and solved weighty problems. In topic we have been looking at why and how the Romans invaded Britain and what made a Roman soldier so efficient at fighting. In French we have been learning the names for parts of our body through playing 'Simons Says'. In RE we have been exploring how God forgives through popping balloons.

Class 4- In Class 4 this week we have been working on a variety of topics in Maths and looking at how to problem solve. In English, year 6 have been getting stuck in to grammar and year 5 have been debating and discussing arguments such as: should homework be banned? We finished off our Peter Thorpe style pictures which look amazing on display in the classroom. We studied the eight Beatitudes in R.E and wrote child friendly versions of them. Dance has continued to be the topic in P.E

Important Notices

Chorley Get Up & Go:

If you're stuck for ideas this half term, remember to take a look at all the activities offered by Chorley Council's **Winter Play** and **Get Up and Go Schemes**. The details can be found under the 'Our Classes' page at www.pembertons.lancsngfl.ac.uk

PTFA Lucky Numbers:

Thank you to everybody who has entered this year's lucky Numbers Draw. Your kind generosity is very much appreciated. January's lucky number is 12. Well done to Hannah Wotherspoon.

Class 3 Swimming:

Class 3 Swimming tuition will start on Tuesday 21st February. Please remember to bring your kits into school every Tuesday for these important lessons.

Sainsbury's Active Kids:

Please keep sending in your Sainsbury's vouchers. The School Council will use these vouchers to provide additional resources for our school.

St. James' Family Service:

This month's Family Service will take place at 10:30am on Sunday 12th February at St. James' Church. Everyone is welcome.

Important Dates

10.02.17: School closes at 3:30pm

19.02.17: Wigan Warriors .v. Cronulla Sharks

20.02.17: School Reopens

20.02.17- 24.02.17: Science Week

24.02.17- xxx House Non-Uniform Day

02.03.17: World Book Day

09.03.17: PFTA Meeting. 7:00pm White Lion

23.03.17: Parents' Evening

24.03.17: Red Nose Day

27.03.17: Parents' Evening

30.03.17: PTFA Easter Bingo



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Class 1 – Sam Booth

Class 2 – Y1 Ava Ramsay
Y2 Emily Savage

Class 3 – Y3 Meg Robinson
Y4 Eve Turner

Class 4 – Holly Shinkfield

Joke Of The Week:

It's the end of term so we have two jokes for you! Woo hoo!

Our first joke is from Olivia in Class 3:

Q: What is a cat's favourite colour?

A: Purrrrrple!

Our second joke is from Teegan in Class 4:

Q: Why did the cat cross the road?

A: It was the chicken's day off!

Thanks girls, they're purrrfect! Keep the jokes coming in.

Hope you have a great break. See you all back at school on Monday 20th February.

Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher

