



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

# Newsletter

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2017



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

### **House Captains.**

On Thursday, our House Captain Candidates addressed the Heskin electorate, delivering thoughtful, persuasive, heartfelt and humorous speeches. I know that anyone of our amazing Year 6 pupils would be suitable for the role of House Captains this year but, after much deliberation, this year's Captains and vice-captains were selected. I'd like to say a big thank you to all who took part in this process and I'd also like to congratulate Hollie (Pemberton's Captain), Lewis (Pemberton's Vice-Captain), Noah (Waring's Captain), Lottie (Waring's Vice-Captain), Faye (Nelson's Captain) and Ben (Neslon's Vice-Captain).

### **School Council.**

As well as our House Captain elections, we have been voting for our School Council Representative this week. Well done to Josh (Rec), Joe (Y1), Ava (Y2), Rory (Y3), Declan(Y4), Ashton (Y5), Ella and Izzy (Y6) who will meet regularly with Mrs Hugo and Mrs Keane to help improve our school. Their first duty will be to organise and develop our lunchtime games and activities. I can't wait to see what they come up with.

### **Roald Dahl Day!**

You may have noticed that this week's newsletter was not written by Mr B but by his Roald Dahl pseudonym! On Wednesday, we celebrated Roald Dahl Day as only Heskin can! We loved discovering our characters' clues, learning our new character names and sharing the amazing books of this great author. Thank you to all the parents and children who brought in props, pictures, books or items of clothing for this event. We all had a whoopsy-splunking day!

### **Child Safety.**

Please can I ask that all parents and children use the path in front of school during drop off and pick up times. We've noticed that a number of children are coming across the carpark to and from the playground. We would not want any accidents to occur when they could so easily be avoided. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

### **Family Breakfast BBQ.**

What a great way to start the day!!! Our hardworking PTFA have once again done a fantastic job in organising this wonderful event. As well as delicious breakfast barmes and warming cups of tea and coffee, it was an excellent opportunity for a good old natter and for some of our new families to meet new friends. I'm sure we can make this a regular event!

### **Great British Dinner Day.**

Miss Jones is organising a special Great British Dinner Day on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October. If any child, who usually has a packed lunch on Thursdays, would like to join us for a roast dinner then please fill in the lunch sheet from Mrs Carrier which will be distributed the week before the event.

### **What has happened in school this week...?**

**Class 1-** We have had a fabulous week and the children have risen to the challenge of full days brilliantly! We have appointed our School Councillors and learnt about the rules of our register and fish monitors too. We have continued to build our relationships and ability to play together nicely together as well as learning how to use and tidy away the resources. On Roald Dahl day we shared 'The Enormous Crocodile Story' and made our own junk model crocodiles.

**Class 2-** This week we have been writing lists focusing on how we use sounds to spell words. Year 2 have been writing noun phrases - learning how to spell different fruits and making them plural. In Maths we have been practising a variety of number skills. Year 1 have been learning correct formation for writing numbers and showing off our counting skills. In Art we have been exploring the use of different drawing media and evaluating our own self-portraits. In RE we have been freeze framing 'The Story of the Ten Lepers'.

**Class 3-** In our Maths lessons, we have used our knowledge of place value to help us complete addition and subtraction calculations in our head and with jottings. In English we have started thinking about the different type of words in a sentence. We have learnt about nouns and have created some great noun phrases. On Wednesday we had good fun creating and drawing a new Roald Dahl character. In Art we made a special Roald Dahl bookmark and in our topic work we have found out why and how the Anglo Saxons came to Britain. In RE we have started our unit of work called Jesus the Son of God and in PE we are travelling using hands and feet.

**Class 4-** This week in English we have written a non-chronological report explaining how our 'Time Machine Works'. In Maths we have been learning how to round decimals and looking at negative numbers. WE have continued to investigate crime and punishment from different periods in history and we have loved sharing our life journeys in RE.

In PE, we worked with Mr Sheffield & Miss Walls on orienteering and gymnastics.

### Parents Evenings.

Throughout the year, you will have two formal opportunities to meet with your child's teacher. Our first Parents Evening will be on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October and this will be an opportunity for you to meet with the teachers and discuss how well the children are settling in to their new class and new year group. The second will take place in the Spring and this meeting will be about your child's attainment and the progress they have been making. You will also have an opportunity at this Spring meeting to see the work in your child's books and classroom. Of course, you are always welcome to contact school to at any time to arrange an informal meeting with the teachers. We really do have an 'open door' policy at Heskin Pemberton's and we will always provide you with any advice or support you may need.

### Extra-Curricular Clubs

Our extra-curricular clubs letter went home earlier this week and we've already been inundated with lots of reply slips. There are still places available so please continue to send in your slips if your child would like to attend any of the clubs or activities on offer this half term. I'd like to say a big thank you to all the staff who run these clubs, proving wonderful opportunities for our children.

### Football & Healthy Eating Day.

On Monday, we will be visited by The Football Development Team who will work with all our children, from Reception to Year 6. The team will be looking at developing our football skills and improving our understanding of the importance of healthy eating. School PE kits will be needed for the practical sessions. Football tops and trainers may also be worn but are not compulsory. Please can I ask that you only send trainers with your child if they are able to tie their own laces or if the trainers have Velcro fasteners. Tying 109 pairs of trainers does get a little time consuming!

I would like to say a massive thank you to our PTFA for funding this event. Your support is very much appreciated.

### Stay & Play.

If you would like to make use of our after school club, please could you contact Miss Jones on 07519190760. It is important to book these places so that Miss Jones can organise provision for each night.

### Important Dates:

- 18.09.17: Football & Healthy Eating Day.
- 20.09.17: Reception Class Photograph for Chorley Guardian.
- 21.09.17: School Council to meet with LCC Road Safety Officer.
- 22.09.17: PTFA Family Camp over.
- 25.09.17: Drama Day at Heskin!
- 26.09.17: Class 1 Phonics Meeting.
- 28.09.17: Chorley Magistrates visit to school.
- 29.09.17: Individual & Family Photographs.
- 29.09.17: Harvest Worship at St. James The Great.
- 02.10.17: Parents Evening.
- 04.10.17: No Pen Wednesday!
- 05.10.17: Great British Dinner Day!
- 06.10.17: Christian & British Values Day.
- 13.10.17: PTFA Autumn Ball.
- 17.10.17: Relax Kids Workshop in Class 4.
- 17.10.17: Year 6 educational visit to Chorley Magistrates Court.
- 23.10.17: My Asian Experiences presented to Class 3 & 4
- 25.10.17: School closes at 3:30pm.
- 08.11.17: School reopens.



## STARS OF THE WEEK!

YR: **Everyone in Class 1**

Y1: **Amelie Tate**

Y2: **Thomas Boyer**

Y3: **Charlie Burton**

Y4: **Bella Morris**

Y5: **Ashton Lucas**

Y6: **Dylan Warburton**

### Joke of the Week:

This week's joke comes from Matthew in Class 4.

**Q: Why was 6 scared of 7?**

**A: Because 7, ate, 9!!!**

I love it, Matthew. What a great joke!

Please keep bringing your funniest jokes to me.

Hope you have a lovely week,

**Mr Frightsome Squiggler!!!**

Headteacher

