



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 17th March, 2017



Happy St. Patrick's Day to our Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Cultural Educ-Asian Day

I can't wait until Wednesday 22nd March when, as part of our Cultural Educ-Asian Day, our children will be making and sampling vegetarian samosas. With this in mind, please could you inform class teachers if your child has any specific food allergies which we may need to be aware of?

Parking Safely.

As you may have noticed, our local police officers and myself have been monitoring the parking situation on Withington Lane. I appreciate that the number of spaces available is extremely limited and it is clear that the majority of you drive and park courteously when dropping off and collecting your children. However, it is extremely important that our children are safe and I would urge everyone to adhere to the road markings, especially the single yellow line opposite the school entrance. Many thanks for your continued understanding and cooperation with this matter.

Parents Evenings.

We are really looking forward to meeting with you on our Parents' Evenings. As usual, your child's work will be available for you to look at in their classrooms, prior to your appointments with the class teacher. I, along with some of our support staff, will also be available on both evenings in order to keep the appointments running to schedule and to assist in any way we can.

Celebration Worship & Star of the Term

Our final Celebration Worship this term will take place on Friday 31st March at the earlier time of 1:30pm. We will be announcing the Stars of the Term so please could last term's winners return their trophies before that date?

Cross Country

I was extremely proud of our school Cross Country Team who participated in yesterday's competition at Bishop Rawstorne Academy. Over 120 children raced over the muddy 1400m track and our runners were amazing! Their behaviour, sportsmanship and determination were outstanding throughout the competition. What a team!

I'd like to say a special thank you to Mrs Cowie, Mrs Hugo and Mrs Morgan for all their hard work and support.



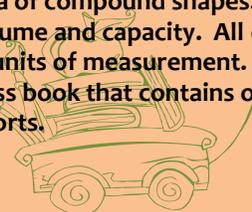
What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1- Our focus this week has been Whales. After sharing 'My Friend Whale', we thought of possible reasons why whale had not returned to see the boy. Next, we wrote our own endings to the story. Was it a happy or sad story? We also read 'The Snail and the Whale'. What type of lands and environment had they explored? How were they similar or different to our own and each other? In our maths we have been continuing to explore the value and order of our 11-20 numbers. We also used the number balance to work out which 2 numbers equalled another e.g. 2 and 3 were the same as 5. What other ways can we balance our numbers?

Class 2- We have finally finished our instructions for brushing our teeth and today we followed them with our very own tooth defender tooth brushes and toothpaste. In maths we have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes. Year 2 have been making a shape museum and today they gave Year 1 visitors a guided tour. In R.E we have begun an art project about Holy Week.

Class 3- We have been working hard on our non-chronological reports in our English lessons. We have used books and the internet to research all about children in Roman Britain and used all our facts in a class report. In maths we have been practising written methods for addition and subtraction. We have been solving problems using column methods. We have been investigating how light behaves when it is reflected by a mirror and how we can mix colours of light to make a new colour. We have also pretending to be archaeologists looking at artefacts from Roman Britain and coming up with our own ideas about how the Romans changed the lives of the Celts. We used clues and compass directions to solve puzzles in PE.

Class 4- We have had a busy week in class 4. In R.E, we looked at art work by John Reilly on The Resurrection and re-created this in our art journals. Also, we have listened to songs about victory and Easter. In English, we have come to the end of our Jungle Book unit and have been drawing and writing what may have happened next. In maths, Year 5 have been finding the area of compound shapes. Year 6 have been investigating volume and capacity. All of class 4 have also been converting units of measurement. In computing, we have made a class book that contains our animal, non-chronological reports.



Bikeability.

On Monday and Tuesday our Year 5 children will be completing their Bikeability Training. Please could you ensure bikes, helmets and suitable clothing are brought to school on these days?

Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea Party.

Our PTFA Mothers' Day Tea Party will take place in the school hall on Friday 24th March at 3:00pm. Tickets are available, at a cost of £5, from Mrs Fry in the office. **Please note, there will be no star assembly that afternoon.**

Wigan Warriors!

If you'd like to purchase tickets for the Wigan Warrior's match against Hull FC, please complete the reply slip on the bottom of the letter which was sent home last week and send it into school ASAP.

Red Nose Day!

We will be raising money for Comic Relief on Friday 24th March by having a non-uniform day. This year we are asking the children to wear something red and bring a voluntary donation of around £1 into school.

Fantastic Fencing!

On Wednesday we had a very exciting fencing demonstration in preparation for our fencing club which will start after the Easter holidays. Jess in Year 6 and Joshua in Year 3 were our joint winners in the final duel!



Easter Service.

Just a quick reminder that our school Easter Service will take place on Friday 31st March at St. James at 8:50am. Please take your children to the church that morning, rather than school, and please feel free to stay and attend the service. Children in Breakfast Club will be transported to church by staff but please ensure that they bring their own booster seats if they require them. Transport back to school has been organised.

Important Dates

- 22.03.17: Cultural Educ-Asian Day.
- 22.03.17: Year 5 Visit to Croston Methodist Church.
- 23.03.17: Parents' Evening.
- 24.03.17: Red Nose Day.
- 24.03.17: PTFA Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea Party.
- 24.03.17: Wigan Warriors Flag Waving.
- 27.03.17: Parents' Evening.
- 28.03.17: Class 1 & 2 Visit to Gillmoss.
- 29.03.17: Ollerton Cup Football Match.v. Whittle-le-Woods.
- 30.03.17: Class 3 & 4 Visit to Jodrell Bank.
- 30.03.17: Cluster Football Tournament.
- 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 – Lloyd Evans

Class 2 – Y1 Thomas Boyer
Y2 Joseph Scott

Class 3 – Y3 Issy Taylor
Y4 Ashton Lucas

Class 4 – Dylan Warburton

Joke of the Week:

This week's Joke of the Week comes from Olivia in Class 2 and it really had me using all of my brain cells when I first read it:

Knock Knock!

Who's there?

Isabelle.

Isabelle who?

Isabelle really necessary on a bike?

A very clever joke, Olivia! Well done. Please keep sending your wonderful jokes to me for our newsletters.

Hope you have a great week.

Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher

