



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 19th May, 2017



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Christian Aid Week

The children in our Ethos Group have been working tremendously hard in raising money for and awareness of Christian Aid. They have delivered a fantastic worship about the important work undertaken by this charity. We all loved their amazing cakes this morning and I'm sure the money we have raised will make a difference to people all over the world. A special thanks goes to Amelie and Noah who brought in a large amount of money from their own savings to pay for their cakes.



Leyland Warriors Rugby Club

A number of our children attend Leyland Warriors Rugby Club and I was extremely distressed when I heard that their club house had become a victim of an arson attack last week. A way you can support this club during this difficult time is to place your Blue Tokens in the Leyland Warriors pot the next time you visit any Tesco store in Chorley, Preston or Leyland. I hope the club are soon back on their feet.

School Car Park

Thank you for your extra care and consideration when parking on Withington Lane. The traffic flow has been considerably better recently. However, I have noticed that a number of children are leaving school by walking across the school car park rather than using the path. Although not many cars will be entering or leaving the car park at this time, I would much prefer our children to leave safely by the path in future, please. Many thanks for your cooperation with this matter.

Sunny Weather!

As I look out of my office window, there are dark clouds in the sky but we have experienced quite a lot of sunny weather recently. I'm convinced that our summer isn't over yet so if the sun does make another appearance, please remember that your child may need a water bottle, sun cream and a sun hat.

What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1- Our focus this week has been looking at a frog's lifecycle. We watched the lifecycle on the interactive whiteboard and linked it back to what we had seen during our pond dipping activity at Greenslate last week. Next, we shared The Teeny Weeny Tadpole Story. What bouncy animals did he meet? What other animals jump? We wrote our own story about who the tadpole met next. In our Maths, we have continued to look at halving and sharing practical problems. We focussed on how halves need to be equal and fair and what happens if we don't have enough objects to share.

Class 2- This week has been an incredibly busy week. Year 2 have been doing some very special reading 'showing off' and they have all made us very proud. In Maths, we have been spotting multiples of 2, 5 and 10 and linking this to our times tables. Year 1 have been telling the time to o'clock and half-past and also learning about position and direction. Year 1 have been writing their own fantasy story based on Anna and her Amazing Multi-coloured Glasses. In Science, we have been looking for minibeasts in different habitats in our school environment.

Class 3- In English, we have written our sound poems and have created sound pictures. We have written different sorts of poems about places in our dreams. We have tried to use similes, personification, imagery and onomatopoeia in our writing. In Maths, we have worked hard learning to tell the time on analogue clocks and on 12 & 24 hour digital clocks. We have had a great visit from Mrs Leadbetter who taught us how to keep our teeth healthy and we have also been working on how to build up a healthy, balanced meal. On Thursday we used our art skills to make a collage of this meal.

Class 4- This week in English we have been learning all about the powers of persuasion, the language used in persuasive texts and how adverts influence us. In Maths, Year 6 have been solving a murder mystery case using their expert problem solving skills. We have also looked again at algebra and some children in Year 5 have had a go at this too. In Year 5, all week, we have been using formal methods of multiplication and division. In Topic, we have finished our persuasive Ancient Greek tourist leaflets and have listened to Theseus & The Minotaur. Class 4 were very excited this week to learn about the summer production which we will be performing at the end of term.

Bag2School

Thank you for all the bags of clothes you brought into school this week. As well as providing clothes for the needy we have also raised £76.80 for our PTFA. Well done, everybody.

Brian Waite

On Thursday Brian Waite led our worship. The theme was caring for others and during the worship we were delighted to hear that Brian had been awarded the British Empire Medal for his services to the community. Brian helps disadvantaged people all over the North West and thoroughly deserves this acknowledgment. In his next visit to school our Ethos Group will be looking at ways we can help Brian continue his important work.

PFTA Copper Boxes

The local banks have just informed me that there is now a national copper shortage thanks to your kindness and generosity! Our copper boxes are filling up fast and Class 2 are already on their second box!! The winning class will be notified on Thursday and will be rewarded with a non-uniform day.

Trim Trial

Just a quick reminder that children should refrain from using the school trim trail during the morning drop off and the afternoon pick times. In order to avoid accidents, we closely monitor our pupils during school hours but we have seen an increasing number of younger children using this equipment before and after school. Sorry to be a nag but the safety of everyone associated with our school is really important to me. Thank you.

Important Dates:

- 25.05.17: Copper Box Competition deadline.**
- 26.05.17: School closes for half term.**
- 05.06.17: School reopens.**
- 16.06.17: PTFA Fathers' Day Breakfast.**
- 23.06.17: Sports Day & Summer Fayre.**
- 30.06.17-03.07.17: Patterdale Residential Visit**
- 07.07.17: Waring Treat Day**



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Class 1 – Sam O'Rourke

**Class 2 – Y1 Freya McEvoy
Y2 Mia Argile**

**Class 3 – Y3 Robert Wilkinson
Y4 Meg Robinson**

Class 4 – Faye Scott

Joke of the Week:

This week's joke comes from Olivia in Class 3:

Q: What do the Pixie learn on the first day of school?

A: The elfabet.

What a great joke, Olivia. Keep the jokes coming in!

Hope you all have a great weekend.
Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher

