Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 22nd September, 2017

Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Football & Healthy Eating Day

What a great day we had on Monday! Every child in school took part in a football training session run by ex-professional footballers, before learning all about the importance of nutrition and healthy eating. Matt, one of the coaches, commented on the behaviour, enthusiasm, knowledge and positive attitude demonstrated by all the children in school. I know our pupils are amazing but it made me feel very proud to hear a visitor commenting on how wonderful they are. Well done, Heskin!

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Tunley United Reform Church will be hosting a coffee morning on Friday 29th September in order to raise money for MacMillan Cancer Support. The event will start at 10:30am and will last until 12:00 noon.

Child Safety.

Please remember that children are only allowed on the school Trim Trail, swings and slide with appropriate adult supervision. Our staff assess and manage this danger during school hours but we are unable to take responsibility for any accidents which may occur before or after school, whist the children are still in the care of their parents.

Class 1 Phonics Meeting

There will be a Phonics Workshop for the parents of Class 1 children. This important workshop will take place on Tuesday 26th September between 6:00pm and 7:00pm.

Great British Dinner Day.

Miss Jones is organising a special Great British Dinner Day on Thursday 5th 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.

School Photographer

On Friday, after the Harvest Service, our school photographer will be taking pictures of each individual child and sibling groups. Information regarding the purchasing of these pictures will be sent home shortly.

What has happened in school this week…?

Class 1- Our focus this week has been recalling 'Goldilocks and the 3 Bears', joining in with the repeated refrains. Could we change our voices to sound like the different characters? We have also been looking at 'Jobs People Do'. Using computers and books, we have discovered the different things people do to help us. In our Maths, we have been linking numerals 0-10 to a variety of objects, fingers etc.

Class 2- What a busy week it has been. We really are getting into the swing of things. In Maths Year 1 have been counting up to 100 and comparing quantities using the language most and least. Year 2 have been developing their understanding of place value by representing numbers using different concrete materials and then using their knowledge to solve problems. In English, we have been reading and enjoying the story 'Dogger' by Shirley Hughes. In Art we have been drawing self-portraits using different black media and in History we have started to learn about Florence Nightingale.

Class 3- In Maths we have been practising accurate measuring and how to convert from centimetres into millimetres. In English we have been learning all the technical names for the words in sentences and practised writing sentences with these words. In our topic work we have been finding out about life in an Anglo Saxon village and some of the jobs they had to do. In RE we have continued to talk about authority and how Jesus showed his authority through his actions. Being safe on the computers is our focus in Computing and in PE we are exploring further how to travel on hands and feet.

Class 4- This week in English, Class 4 have been developing their skills in creating great sentences to describe the setting of the library in our book - 'How to Live Forever'. In Maths we have worked on column addition and subtraction, including decimals, and applied these strategies to problem solving. In History we have continued to learn about crime and punishment in the past and we have also worked in teams to create timelines.

Parents' Evenings.

Throughout the year, you will have two formal opportunities to meet with your child's teacher. You will have received a letter about our first Parents Evening, which will be on Monday 2nd October, and the reply slip should be returned to school as soon as possible, please. This first Parents' Evening 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.

Harvest

Our school Harvest Service will take place on Friday 29th September at St. James The Great Church 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. Please bring to the church any tinned or packaged food items for our Harvest collection.

Bag 2 School

We will once again be participating in the Bag 2 School project. Bags will shortly be distributed which should be filled with any unwanted clothes, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties or soft toys and they should be returned to school on Monday 16th October at 9:00am. These items will be used to support families in need and our school PTFA will also receive a donation for the items we collect.

School Council

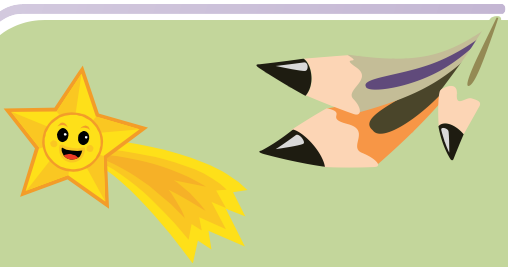
On Thursday, our school council met with a representative from Lancashire County Council's Road Safety Team. The members of our school council will be working collaboratively with LCC, over the next few months, trying to make our school and surrounding areas as safe as possible.

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 in advance so that Miss Jones can organise provision for each night.

Important Dates:

22.09.17: PTFA Family Campover.
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
24.10.17: PTFA Celebrate The Season Party
25.10.17: School closes at 3:30pm.
06.11.17: School reopens.



STARS OF THE WEEK!

YR: **Anna Dunbavin**
Y1: **William Darwin**
Y2: **Drew Thorpe**
Y3: **Mia Argyle**
Y4: **Thelia Wallwork**
Y5: **Robert Wilkinson**
Y6: **Caitlin Rees**

Joke of the Week:

This week's amazing joke comes from Ashton in Class 4.

Q: If frozen water is iced water and frozen lemonade is iced lemonade, what is frozen ink?

A: Iced ink (I stink)

Very funny, Ashton. I love it! Please keep bringing your funniest jokes to me. I've not had a joke from a parent yet! Could you be the first?

Hope you have a lovely week,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher