



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

# Newsletter

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2017



Happy Easter to our Parents, Pupils & Friends,

## Dog Safety.

On Wednesday, we were visited by Paul Hodson who was promoting Jade's Campaign for dog safety. He spoke to all the children about looking after dogs appropriately and identified ways in which we could see if dogs were distressed. The children were extremely sensible and mature throughout the presentation and have learnt a lot about our canine friends.

## Easter Celebrations

We have had a lovely day at school today, celebrating Easter in lots of different ways. Thank you so much for all the time and effort you have spent in helping your child decorate their eggs for today's competitions. They all looked amazing and it was very difficult to judge the best ones! The best decorated egg winners are Ruby Crighton, Harry Tasker, Hollie Smith and Phoebe Thorpe. Our 2017 egg rolling champions are Moses Wotherspoon, Sam O'Rourke, Lillian Ainscough, Eve Turner, Zoe Simpson and Jessica Pitt.

## Singing & Dancing Competitions

Our wonderful singers and dancers who took part in the CSSP competitions. I know the children along with Mrs Cowie, Miss Cowie and Mrs Robinson have all worked really hard over the last few months preparing for this event and their performances were outstanding. I am so proud of our wonderful teams who both narrowly missed out on a top three finish this time. Next year will be our year! Come on Team Heskin!

## Rev Polly

We had our final service with Rev Polly in church this morning and we commemorated her retirement with a special Easter Tea Party back at school. Rev Polly has been a big asset to our school, working hard as a governor and taking a full and active part in all aspects of school life. I'm sure you'll join with me in wishing her all the very best for her retirement and thanking her for all her hard work for our school and our parish. Thanks, Rev Polly. You will be missed.

## Wigan Warriors!

On Friday, we walked onto the pitch at the DW Stadium before Wigan's Super League clash with Hull FC. Although the result was not what we would've wanted, the experience and the match were both very exciting.

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

**Class 1-** Our focus this week has been Treasure Maps. We had to read and follow clues to find the treasure which was hidden in our garden. We also had to write our own clues for our friend to read and follow. In our maths we have been looking at money. How many pennies is each coin worth? How could we pay 6p for something? Which coins could we use? We have also been busy with our Easter events. What super decorations, shame to roll them really! Have a lovely Easter break.

**Class 2-** This week we have written our own fairy tale based on the Three Billy Goats Gruff. We have been busing doing Easter activities and we have been thinking about glad, mad, sad and bad feelings we have for the Easter story. We had a fabulous trip to Gillmoss Recycling Discovery Centre. What a busy week we have had!

**Class 3-** We have had a really busy week. We have written a non-chronological report about our amazing airships and we have been preparing for our Easter service. Our trip on Thursday to Jodrell Bank was a great day out. We learnt so much about stars, planets and space. We have been finishing our "mood panel" paintings in RE depicting the joy of Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday and the sadness of Good Friday. We have also been completing books showing the Holy Week story.

**Class 4-** We have had such a busy week. In English, we watched 'The Jungle Book' which was excellent and a little bit scary! We have talked about The Easter story and practised our readings for church. On Thursday, we thoroughly enjoyed our science trip to Jodrell Bank. We certainly learnt a lot.



### **Barnardo's Easter Eggs**

I was overwhelmed by your generosity this morning in church. The amount of Easter Eggs you donated was fantastic and I am certain that they will make many children very happy this Easter. Thank you so much for your kindness.

### **School Trips**

What a busy week! Classes 1 & 2 visited Gilmoor Recycling Centre on Tuesday, learning many fascinating facts on how we can help our environment by reducing, reusing and recycling our waste. On Thursday, Classes 3 & 4 had a very scientific day at Jodrell Bank. All the children were amazingly well behaved and I'd like to thank all the staff for their hard work in organising these educational visits.

### **Cluster Football**

Last night, we took two teams to Bishop Rawstone Academy to take part in a football tournament against the other schools in our local area. Our girls team finished third in their league and our boys team finished second, only missing out on the top position on goal difference. Thanks also goes to Mrs Cowie and Miss Hughes for managing the two teams.

### **PTFA LUCKY NUMBERS!**

The winning number this month is 16 and our lucky winner is Paul Leadbetter who receives £25.

### **Cross Country**

Mrs Cowie took our cross country team to Astley Park on Saturday to compete against other schools in the Chorley area. All the runners were amazing and a special mention must go to Isobel Dyson who came 2<sup>nd</sup> in her race. Well done to everyone who represented our school.



### **Important Dates**

- 31.03.17: School Closes at 2:00pm for Easter.
- 18.04.17: School Reopens for the Summer Term.
- 18.04.17: PT Day (Please see yesterday's letter for details).
- 25.04.17: Cluster Tag Rugby Competition.
- 26.04.17: School Swimming Gala.
- 27.04.17: PTFA Meeting.



## **STARS OF THE Term!**

Class 1 – Sophie Scott

Class 2 – Y1 Harry Wilson  
Y2 Roddy Crighton

Class 3 – Alice Shinkfield

Class 4 – Holly Shinkfield

### **Jokes of the Week:**

It's the end of the Spring Term so we have two jokes for you! Aren't you lucky? Our first joke is from Millie in Class 2:

**Q: Why is the mushroom always invited to parties?**

**A: Because he's a fungi to be with!**

And our second joke, which is Easter related, comes from Lottie in Class 4:

**Q: Why did the chicken cross the car park?**

**A: To get to the eggs-it!**

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

Hope you have a wonderful Easter break.

See you all back at school on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle  
Headteacher

