



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

# Newsletter

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2018



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

## Wonderful World Book Day

Wow! The children looked fantastic today in their World Book Day costumes. What a way to end the week! Thank you so much for your time, effort and creativity in ensuring that the children looked like their favourite book characters. You did a wonderful job! THANK YOU!

Please remember that you can still enter our 'design a front cover' competition. Just complete your designs and get them back to school by Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March to be in with a chance of winning a certificate, a book voucher and a signed poster of our local Olympic Skier, Dave Ryding.



## Super Science Week

This week, school has been full of little professors completing numerous important scientific investigations and studies. We started the week off by looking at the various animals Allday's Farm brought to school and we had an amazing visit from a truly mad scientist who could set fire to washing up liquid bubbles (don't try this at home). Amazing! I'd like to say a big thank you to all the staff for the additional work they have put into Science Week, a special thank you to Mrs Hugo for organising all of our scientific visitors and a final thank you to our PTFA for providing the funds for our Allday's Farm visit. THANK YOU!

## Interim Reports & Parents Evenings.

On Wednesday next week, you will receive your child's interim report which should form part of the discussion you will have with their class teacher on Parents' Evening. The report will give you a brief update on your child's attendance, attainment levels and effort. We are really looking forward to meeting with you on our Parents' Evenings. 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.

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

Class 1 – For Science week, we have had a wonderful time meeting the animals from Allday's and watching our Mad Science assembly. We have also linked our topic to Science week by investigating which animals live in the Coral Reef and using our predicting and observing skills to find out what happens when sand, water and oil are mixed. We wrote about which animals we had met on Monday, what they looked like or what they ate. In our Maths, we continued our work on money. Our Role Play area became a shop. Could we read the price tags? What did the 'p' stand for? How many pennies would we need to buy it? Was there another coin we could use?

Class 2- This week started off with a fabulous visit from Allday's Farm. What a great experience it was. In Maths we have been looking at recognising multiples of 5 and Year 2 have been reading problems and deciding if they need to multiply or divide. In R.E. we have been thinking about the new life in our chicken eggs and getting excited about them hatching next week. We have made them 'Happy Hatch Day' cards.

Class 3 - In our Maths lesson, we have been learning strategies and tricks to learn some of our trickier times tables. We have had fun doing lots of Science – especially in the snow. We did a great job of stopping snowballs melting in our classroom and we watched solids turn into liquids. We thought about and wrote a definition for solids, liquids and gasses. In D.T. we have begun to plan some healthy sandwiches which we will be giving a rain forest theme. We had a great time swimming again this week and all worked extremely hard.

Class 4 – Have worked incredibly hard this week! In English, they have been innovating the story Alice In Wonderland and have written some amazing poetry. Using 'ing' and 'ed' openers, they composed riddles for Alice to help her understand what would happen if she drank the unknown liquid. They were very creative! During Maths, they have been exploring 2D shapes and should be commended for their perseverance when calculating missing angles and using a protractor. The highlight of the week, aside from the snow, was learning about adaptation when the farm came to visit.

### **Easter Service.**

Just a quick reminder that our school Easter Service will take place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at St. James The Great Church at 2:45pm. The children will be singing, reading and leading prayers so please join us for this special service.

Transport to the church has been arranged but please collect your children at 3:30pm from church rather than school. Any child in Stay & Play Club will be transported back to school but please ensure that they have an appropriate car seat for this journey if they legally require one.

### **Spring Market**

Tunley United Reform Church will be holding their Spring Market between 11:00am and 1:00pm on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2018. There will be many stalls including home-made cakes and pies, crafts, toys & gifts, a tombola, raffle, plants, bric-a-brac & jewellery, scarves & handbags, and guess the name of Tunley's cuddly cow. Light lunches are also on sale.

### **Bishop of Burnley**

On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February, the Bishop of Burnley joined us at St. James the Great Church, Wrightington. Our children sang the opening hymn, My Lighthouse, which coincidentally happens to be a favourite of Bishop Philip. Thank you to all the children and families who joined us for this special service.

### **PTFA Easter Bingo**

The world famous Heskin PTFA Easter Bingo will take place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, in the school hall, at 6pm. £2 per ticket.

### **Old £10 notes**

Please remember that yesterday, Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March, was the last day to use your old £10 notes. From now on, the school office will not be able to accept these notes as payment.

### **PTFA Lucky Numbers**

If anyone would like to enter our Lucky Numbers draw then please return your Lucky Numbers reply slip as soon as possible and you will be entered into our monthly prize draw with a chance of winning £25! We will let you know who the first winner is at the end of the month. All money raised from this will go to our iPad fund. We just need a few more donations and we will have enough money to purchase a new set of iPads so please join our PTFA Lucky Numbers draw. Thank you.

### **Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea Party.**

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March, our hardworking PTFA will be organising an afternoon tea party for mums, grandmothers and their children. This will be a lovely event so please try to attend if at all possible. Tickets are available, at a cost of £7, from Mrs Carrier in the office. **Due to the tea party taking place in the hall, there will be no Celebration Worship on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March.**

### **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:**

07.03.18: Interim Reports sent home.

09.03.18: PTFA Mothers' Day Tea.

15.03.18: Parents' Evening. 4:00pm-5:30pm.

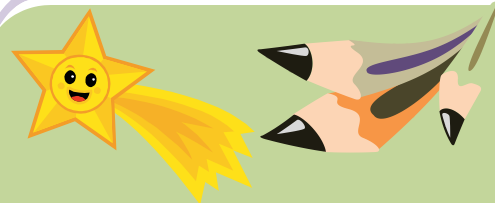
20.03.18: Parents' Evening. 5:30pm-7:30pm.

22.03.18 Easter Lunch

22.03.18: PTFA Easter Bingo. 6pm

23.03.18: School Closes for Easter Holidays at 2:00pm.

19.04.18: PTFA Meeting.



## **STARS OF THE WEEK!**

**YR: Pennie Jones**

**Y1: Amelie Tate**

**Y2: Florence Smith**

**Y3: Amelie Burrill**

**Y4: Bella Morris**

**Y5: James Spear**

**Y6: Zoe Simpson**

### **Joke of the Week:**

This week's amazing joke comes from Ezra in Class 1.

**Q: What do you call a boomerang that doesn't come back?**

**A: A stick!**

That's a great joke, Ezra. I think I will tell that one to all of my friends. I just hope I remember it. I'm sure, if I think hard enough about a boomerang, it'll come back to me!

Hope you have a lovely week.  
Best wishes,

**Mr Alan Brindle**  
**Headteacher**

