



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 18th May, 2018



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Year 6 Super Stars

I have been extremely impressed with the determination, hard work and positive attitude demonstrated by each and every one of our Year 6 pupils this week as they've completed their SATs. They've conducted themselves impeccably and set a wonderful example to the rest of the school. We are all very proud of these children and they thoroughly deserved their treat day, today. The water fights were great fun and the breakfast BBQ really got the day off to a fantastic start. Well done, Year 6 and well done to the Year 6 teaching team. You are all SUPER STARS!

Park & Stride!

Next week is National Walk to School Week. Schools all over the country will be participating in this initiative in order to improve children's health and look after our environment. Our School Council have spoken to **The Corner House, Heskin Village Hall** and **The Farmer's Arms** who have all agreed to allow our parents to park on their grounds so that the children can walk to and from school together. So if you live too far away from school to walk you can still participate by parking at any of these three venues. The School Council have put together a leaflet with more information about their Park & Stride ideas so hopefully we can all get behind their plans and enjoy taking part in Walk to School Week.

Super Scarecrows!

Well done to Mrs Furzeman, Mrs Sharrock, Mrs Marshall and all the members of the Arts & Crafts Club for your FIRST PLACE in the Scarecrow Festival. Your hard work, creativity and teamwork throughout this project was amazing and your final creation was spectacular. Please note that the Arts & Crafts Club had their last session last night but I'm sure it will return next year.

Outdoor & Adventurous Activities

This morning our OAA team took part in a festival at Astley Park, Chorley. They completed many orienteering and outdoor challenges, working with great enthusiasm and teamwork throughout the morning. Thank you Mrs Marshall and Mrs Williams for leading our intrepid team of Bear Grylls wannabes and well done everyone who represented our school in this festival. *HESKIN SQUAD: Olivia, Emily, Mia, Grace, Charlie, Thomas, Oliver and Jacob.*



Patterdale Meeting

On **Wednesday 23rd May** we will be holding an Information Evening for the parents of our Year 5 & 6 children who are attending Patterdale Activity Centre this year. The meeting will take place at 6 o'clock in Class 4 and we will be passing on lots of information and advice about the forthcoming residential visit.

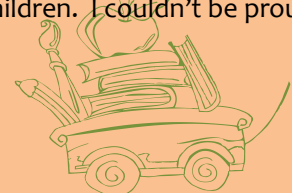
What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1- This week our focus has been snails. After sharing 'Snail Trail' we drew our own trail maps. Where did the snail go? What features did they pass? We had real snails visiting our class. Whilst holding them, we drew and labelled our own snail diagrams. We used our predicting and observing skills during our snail slime investigation. Which mixture would be the stickiest? Why? In Maths we continued our work on teens numbers, looking how we write them

Class 2- This week we have been continuing our explanation writing about Emperor Penguins and their life cycle. In Maths we have been telling the time and learning about duration of time. In Art we have used warm or cold colours to create a background for our 'Matisse' style collages. In Computing Year 2 have used scratch junior to write programmes and Year 1 have used Textease Turtle to write simple programs. In R.E. we have thought about the presence of the Holy Spirit in our Lives.

Class 3- We have written our class story this week – we have included speech, lots of description and loads of action to keep it entertaining. In Maths, we have practised multiplication skills. We have been working on using the quick method to multiply larger numbers. In Science we learnt about atoms in solids, liquid and gases. At swimming this week we learnt how to do butterfly underwater. In topic we looked at Egyptian symbols and began to create a piece of abstract art with these.

Class 4 – This week Year 5 have been creating Scratch games linked to our English novel Wonder. They made some amazing mazes and some children even included an interactive quiz. The Year 6 children loved playing them too! In History, the class learned about the Ancient Mayan ball game of Pitz and created some amazing guides on how to play. Throughout the week the Year 6 children have undertaken their SAT's examinations. They came in every morning with great enthusiasm and even bigger appetites! A huge well done to all of the children. I couldn't be prouder.



Parent Pay

You should all have received your username & password for Parent Pay. Please activate your account as next week you will need to choose your dinners online before the **24th May** for lunches the week commencing 4th June 2018.

Great Golfers

On Thursday, our golfers headed to Holy Cross to take part in the CSSP's Golfing Competition. The children participated in eight different golfing activities against 22 other schools from all over Chorley. Our team played brilliantly, getting progressively better throughout the afternoon. Finishing in the top ten was an amazing achievement and I am very proud of every member of the team. Well done, everyone. *HESKIN SQUAD: Phoebe, Thelia, Isabelle, Issy, Bella, Joseph, Jack, Addison, Rory and Robert.*



Royal Wedding

Royal wedding fever has hit Heskin over the last two days. We started the celebrations with a delicious Royal Wedding Tea Party (thank you, Miss Jones) and then completed the fun with a red, white and blue non-uniform day today. The children have also been completing a variety of different activities linked to this historic event.

DIY SOS

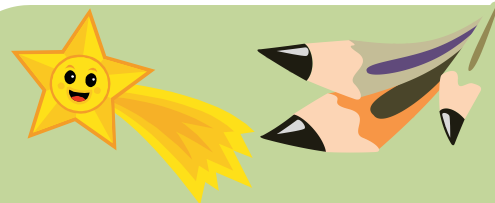
We will be having a DIY SOS day at school on **Saturday 14th July**. There are a number of little DIY jobs around school that need completing so we are getting our friends, parents and members of the local community together to help out. It might involve painting a bench for the children, power washing a path, fixing a fence panel or building a new den for our Reception Class. If you would like to share your DIY skills in order to improve our school then you'd be very welcome to join us anytime between 9:00am and 1:00pm on Saturday 14th July. A BBQ breakfast will be provided for all our volunteers.

Bagz2School

Please remember to fill your Bagz2School bag with any unwanted clothes, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties or soft toys and return them to school on Wednesday 23rd May 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.

Important Dates:

- 18.05.18: PTFA Family Campover.**
- 23.05.18: Patterdale Meeting. 6:00pm.**
- 24.05.18: Governor Morning.**
- 25.05.18: School Closes for Half Term.**
- 04.06.18: School Reopens.**
- 07.06.18: PTFA Meeting. 7:00pm in The White Lion.**
- 10.06.17: Summer Fun Day at St. James the Great.**
- 13.06.18-15.06.18: Patterdale Residential trip.**
- 15.06.18: Fathers' Day Breakfast.**
- 22.06.18: Sports Day & Summer Fair.**



STARS OF THE WEEK!

- YR: Oscar Bragg**
- Y1: Isabel Leadbetter**
- Y2: Harry Wilson**
- Y3: Olivia O'Rourke**
- Y4: Issy Taylor**
- Y5: Matthew Dewhurst**
- Y6: All of Year 6**

Joke of the Week:

This week's joke comes from Harry in Class 3. It's also a bit of a riddle so get your thinking caps on!

Q: What can you serve but not eat?

A: A tennis ball!

Very clever, Harry. I love your joke/riddle.

Mrs Brindle says that I should be good at tennis because I'm always making a racquet! Not sure what she means by that!

Hope you have a great week.
Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher

