



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 12th October, 2018



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Pentathletes

Last week, the children in Classes 3 and 4 took part in a Pentathlon Competition, organised by CSSP. The children competed in 5 disciplines ranging from the long jump to a distance throw. Every child performed extremely well, demonstrating great skill. Our team score will be compared to schools all over Chorley but our individual winners were:

Year 3: **Tom & Martha**, Year 4: **Joseph & Olivia**, Year 5: **Leo & Phoebe**, Year 6: **Spencer & Eve**.



Celebrate The Season Party

Our World famous Celebrate The Season Party will take place on Thursday 18th October, between 5:30pm and 7:00pm. Tickets can be purchased from Mrs Carrier in the school office at a price of £5 for one child or £10 for 2 or more children in the same family. This price includes a hot dog, a drink, a cake, spooky crafts, games and a disco. There will also be a prize for the best costume. Oh, and don't forget our pumpkin carving competition. After their meeting, Mrs Moss and our school council came up with the following activities: DJ Selfies, Gingerbread Decorating (thank you, Mrs Marshall for baking the gingerbread people), Home-Made Slime, Find The Worm, Marshmallows In Your Mouth Competition, Donut Biting, Hook-a-Witch, Turnip Bowling, Mystery Boxes, Trick Or Treat Wheel and Apple Bobbing! Wow! What great ideas! Well done, Mrs Moss and our School Council. **Please note that we will not be running our Football Training or Musical Theatre Club on 18th October due to the Celebrate The Season Party.**

Milk Money

Please can any Class 1 & 2 parents, who have ordered milk for their child, pay any remaining balances as soon as possible. Cheques should be made payable to LCC or Mrs Carrier will gladly receive cash payments via the school office.

Cake Sale

Class 1 will be holding a cake sale on the **19th October** in aid of CDH UK – a charity helping families affected by Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernias. A 50p donation will allow you to buy one of the delicious treats on offer.

What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1 – Our Focus this week has been the 'Gingerbread Man'. Using what we had learnt about story maps, we created a class map which we could all follow to recite the story together. We made boats to help him cross the river and then tested them out in the water tray. Had we chosen our materials wisely? We also baked our own delicious Gingerbread Men biscuits and decorated them with sweets. In Maths we have been naming and describing the properties of 2 D shapes. In R.E. we painted self portraits and described our families. Sharing these with the class we discovered how unique we all are.

Class 2 - What a busy week we have had! In Maths we have been weighing mass using grams and measuring length. We have all been measuring using either cm or non-standard units such as cubes. Year 2 have also been reading weighing scales in divisions of 100g and reading intervals of 25, 50 and 75g. Wow! They were amazing!! In English we have started to write our own Katie Morag stories entitled 'Katie Morag's Busy Week/Day'. In Art we have developed our shading skills with twilight drawings of the Isle of Struay. In R.E. we have created art work to show how we feel about the beautiful world God created for us and how we need to help to look after it.

Class 3 – In Maths this week we have started to use our place value skills to carry out addition and subtraction skills. We have practised mental calculations, adding and subtracting 1s, 10s and 100s to different numbers. In English, we have begun to work on performance poetry. This week, we have been listening to poems by different British authors and thinking about how to improve our performance of them. We learnt about how rocks are formed in Science. We sorted 'chocolate and biscuit rocks' into igneous and sedimentary rocks by their features. In topic, we have been learning about 4 and 8 point compasses. Year 3 have been following directions on a map and Year 4 have been designing their own map and key.

Class 4 – This week the children have practised talking about their Maths so that they are more readily able to tackle word problems involving all 4 operations. They've done a fabulous job and even learnt why mistakes are a huge part of the learning process. In English, the class have been learning to look for key details to help them summarise the main ideas in a chapter. They then used this to plan their very own chapter ready for writing next week. Our highlight of the week has been Science, as our butterflies emerged on Monday! We chose a location outside and released them.

Rev Stefan Dnistrianskyj

Rev Stefan Dnistrianskyj will be officially inducted as our new vicar at St. James the Great Church on **Wednesday 31st October at 7:30pm**. You are cordially invited to attend this special service which will be attended by The Bishop of Blackburn, Arch Deacon Grant Ashton and Father David Arnold.

Dance Club

Our Dance Club will be performing their final routines on **Tuesday 16th October**. Parents are invited to watch this wonderful performance at 4:15pm in the school hall.

Parent Pay

Please ensure all Parent Pay accounts remain in credit and please endeavour to clear any outstanding Stay & Play and Breakfast Club balances before we break up for half term. Thank you.

Bonfire Lunch & School Lunches

Our menu selection is now available on Parent Pay for lunches after half-term. If you wish to order a school lunch for the week we return you will need to make your selections via Parent Pay before **Wednesday 17th October**. We also have a special Bonfire lunch on **Monday 5th November**. Thank you, Miss Jones for organising this special lunch and thank you for the additional time and effort you put into school lunches at Heskin. We have a wider selection of meals here compared to other primary schools and all food is freshly prepared on site.

School Driveway & Staff Car Park

Please take care on the driveway leading up to school. This road is used by vehicles visiting school and visiting the house at the end of the road. I have noticed a few near misses over the last few weeks, especially with pupils on scooters or pupils collecting conkers. **Please encourage the children to use the path at all times when coming to or leaving school, rather than walking down the middle of the road or through the staff car park.** Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

Tennis Training

It's great to have Stuart Grice at Heskin. Stuart is one of the very best tennis coaches in the North West and is now delivering a breakfast club at school every Wednesday morning, 8:00am-9:00am. Please see Mrs Carrier, in the office, for an application form if you would like to participate in this club.

NSPCC & School Council

Next week we will be visited by Jo and Buddy from the NSPCC, who have recently been working with our School Council in order to raise funds for Childline. You probably already know that Childline is free to call and you might know that they receive approximately 2,000 calls every day from children who need help or support. What you probably don't know is that every call responded to by Childline costs £5. Our School Council have decided that they would like to help this amazing charity by running a Danceathon on **Tuesday 30th October**. They will be sending home more information about this great event next week.

Important Dates:

18.10.18: PTFA Celebrate the Season Party. 5:30pm-7:00pm. No Musical Theatre Club or Football Training.

19.10.2018: Class 1 Cake Sale In Aid of CDH UK – 50p a cake

19.10.18: School Closes for Half Term. 3:30pm.

29.10.18: INSET Day.

30.10.18: School Reopens.

30.10.18: NSPCC Danceathon Day.

31.10.18: Church Service for Stefan Dnistrianskyj. 7:30pm.

08.11.18: PTFA Meeting. 7:00pm. White Lion.

27.11.18: PTFA Film Night.

08.12.18: Breakfast With Santa!



STARS OF THE WEEK!

YR: **Lilia M**
Y1: **Pennie J**
Y2: **Sam O'Rourke**
Y3: **Florence S**
Y4: **Rory B**
Y5: **Rowan M**
Y6: **Spencer B**

Joke of the Week:

This week's fantastic joke comes from Jack in Class 4:

Mr B: Why don't you like Velcro, Jack?

Jack: I think it's a rip off!

Very original, Jack. Well done.

Please keep sending your amazing jokes to me.

Hope you have a great week.

Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher