



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 9th November, 2018



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

School Council: Indian Cookery Night

Our School Council, with the help of the PTFA, have organised an Indian Cookery Night which will be hosted in the school hall on **Friday 16th November at 7:00pm**. Tickets are priced at £15 per person which can be paid for by cash or cheque, via the school office. Cheques should be made payable to Heskin Pemberton's Primary School. Each ticket entitles the bearer to a professional cookery demonstration, a tasty Indian meal and a free raffle. All proceeds raised by this event will go to our School Council who will be purchasing new playground equipment. **This is the first time the School Council have organised an event like this so please support it if you can.**

NSPCC & School Council: Danceathon

The Danceathon, organised by our School Council, Mrs Hugo and Mrs Keane has raised in incredible **£955.10** for the NSPCC! What an amazing achievement! Our school has raised enough money to help **191 children**. I'd like to pass on my thanks for your kindness and your generosity with this project and I'd also like to say a massive well done to every child who took part in our Danceathon. You should all be extremely proud of yourselves.



Class 2 Snack Money

Please can you endeavour to clear any outstanding payments for Class 2's daily snack as soon as possible? Payments of £5 can be given directly to Miss Hughes or to Mrs Carrier in the school office.

Remembrance

This week, we have been selling Poppies and Remembrance wristbands to commemorate the centenary anniversary of the end of WWI. I'd like to pass on my thanks to all the children who have given up their lunchtimes and playtimes to raise money for people who have been affected by conflict or war. I'd also like to say a big thank you to everyone who has made a donation this year.

On Sunday, we will be participating in the Remembrance Service at St. James the Great Church, Wrightington. Our children will be laying a wreath in honour of the men and women of our village who have lost their lives in war. Everyone is welcome to attend this special service which will start at 10:30am.

Running Club Thursday

There will be no Running Club next Thursday 15/11/2018.

What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1 – Our focus this week has been the Hindu festival of Diwali. We discovered how families prepare for and celebrate this special occasion with decorations, gifts, family and food. We made our own Diva Lamps from clay and created collage Rangoli patterns. Then, using the puppet theatre, we retold the story of Rama and Sita. What were the similarities between Diwali and festivals or celebrations which we had experienced? We continued our work on 3D shapes this week by looking at their properties. How many faces, edges or vertices do they have?

Class 2 - This week we have been writing our own poems to perform. Our poems are based on 'I Am Angry' by Michael Rosen and they are entitled 'I Am Happy'. We have planned, put actions and performed them for each other. In Maths, Year 1 have been developing their understanding of subtraction by using number stories, number sentences and learning a method for using jottings. Year 2 have continued to work on addition strategies and how to spot when we need to use base ten or jottings and when we can work them out in our head. In art we have started to weave our own tartan and in Science we have been thinking about what amazing mammals humans are and what 'wows' us about our bodies.

Class 3 – We have continued to practise our adding skills in our Maths lessons. We are all becoming experts at using column addition to add larger numbers together. We've also been experts in our English lessons. We have been studying some of Wallace and Gromit's Cracking Contraptions and have explained how each part works. (Have a look at them at home- they're great!) We made fireworks in a glass in Science. All you need is water, cooking oil and food colouring. Give it a try! In Computing we have been learning about algorithms and how to decompose them. In French, we are learning all about greetings and common instructions.

Class 4 – This week Class 4 have been exploring fractions. They have been working to learn their common decimal, fraction and percentage equivalence too. In English, the children have been reading 'The Charge of the Light Brigade'. They will be producing their own poems about the sacrifices made by the Chorley Pals and as such, did lots of research on them this week. Science has been great fun this week too, as the children have been learning about the circulatory system. They created models to show how the blood becomes oxygenated in the lungs and learnt about the parts of the heart.

Samaritan's Christmas Shoebox Appeal

We will once again be participating in the Samaritan's Christmas Shoe Box Appeal by filling shoeboxes with Christmas gifts for children who are less fortunate than ourselves. We will be collecting all boxes on **Friday 16th November** and then passing them on to the Samaritan's for distribution. We still have many leaflets available in the school office if you would like to find out more information on how to make this Christmas a time to remember for a child in need.

Amazing Athletes!

On Tuesday, Mrs Usain Hugo's Athletics Team took part in an indoor meeting at Albany High School. They participated against schools from all over the Chorley area and their score will be judged against a total of 27 primary schools in this round of the competition. The competitors were excellent and we currently lie fourth, with three more heats to be completed. Well done to all the athletes and thank you to all the parents and grandparents who helped with lifts. TEAM HESKIN: *Jack, Robert, Joshua, Spencer, Declan, Harry, Jacob, Shaun, Evan, Joseph, Olivia W, Alice, Olivia G, Phoebe L-G, Phoebe T, Zara, Eve, Meg, Olivia O'R, and Grace.*



Maths Challenge

On Wednesday, Miss Dean took *Ashton, Leo, Alice and Phoebe* to Preston in order to take part in this year's Young Mathematicians competition. The team worked extremely well on their very tricky puzzle and they will shortly find out if they have made it through to the next round. Well done, mathematicians!

St James The Great Grand Christmas Draw, 2018

In order to raise funds for the Church, St. James the Great's PCC have organised a Grand Christmas Draw. I have sent home a book of tickets before half term. Hopefully, you, your friends or your family will buy a ticket or two and win one of the various prizes, which include £200 and a drinks hamper. Please can you return all money, unsold tickets and ticket stubs to school by **Wednesday 14th November**.

Panto Trip

Please can you endeavour to clear any outstanding payments for this year's panto before Monday 3rd December?

Centrepoint: Big Broth Day

Miss Jones has asked me to say a big thank you to everyone who helped to raise money for Centrepoint. So **THANK YOU!** Well done to Mrs Carrier for winning the sweepstake and thank you to Miss Jones for organising this event.

Important Dates:

16.11.18: Class 2's Worship.

16.11.18: Indian Cookery Night.

17.11.18: St. James the Great Christmas Fair.

27.11.18: PTFA Film Night.

29.11.18: Nasal Flu Vaccinations.

08.12.18: Breakfast With Santa!



STARS OF THE WEEK!

YR: **Christopher B**

Y1: **Anastasia K**

Y2: **Moses W**

Y3: **Darcie L**

Y4: **Amelie B**

Y5: **Declan R**

Y6: **Daisie W**

Joke of the Week:

This week's funny joke comes from Isobel in Class 4:

Q: What do you can a boy with an insect on his patella?

A: Anthony! Ant on Knee.

A very clever joke, Isobel. Well done.

Please keep sending your funny jokes to me. I'm also looking for some Cracking Christmassy jokes for the final newsletter of the year so start sending those in for me to giggle at.

Hope you have a wonderful week.

Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher