



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 1st March, 2019



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Wonderful World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day in style at Heskin Pemberton's but, as always, we will be doing things slightly differently here! We will be dressing up as our favourite book characters on **Friday 8th March**, rather than the Thursday. We will still be having our special World Book Day Lunch on Thursday. However with Class 3 swimming on this day, we couldn't have them missing out on the fun or having to make changes to their costumes... and I don't think the sight of the Class 3 teaching team dressed up as Oompa Loompas would've done the people of Tarleton any good! As well as our usual dressing up shenanigans we are also running a 'design a story scene' competition, details of which were sent home before half term.

Swimming Gala

On Wednesday evening, our swimming team participated in the Chorley Schools' Swimming Gala at All Seasons Leisure Centre. We competed in a number of individual and relay races throughout the event and the children were amazing. I'd like to say a big thank you to Mrs Williams for her help on the evening and a massive thank you to all the parents who brought their children and supported the team.

HESKIN SQUAD: Phoebe T, Olivia W, James S, Roddy C, Joseph S and Oliver S.



School Lunches

Just a quick reminder that lunches can now be booked right up to 29th March.

Please can all outstanding balances be cleared from Parent Pay. Your child's accounts should remain in credit at all times.

What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1 – We have begun our new 'Under The Sea' topic looking at Pirates. After reading 'We're Going on a Treasure Hunt' we went on our own hunt. Could we read the trail of clues to find the treasure? Then we wrote our own clues on a map for our friends to read back. Using a story map, we created our own class version of the treasure hunt story, retelling it using actions as prompts. Using our junk model skills we followed instructions to make our own toilet roll pirates. In Maths we have begun to use objects to represent teen numbers. Linking it to numerals, we discovered, for example, 14 was one group of 10 plus 4 more.

Class 2 – In Class 2 this week we have been learning how to spot and write different types of sentences. In Maths we have been solving calculations by measuring and have investigated the different coins and notes of British currency. We have begun to look at the symbols of Easter and are learning all about how Jesus died for us. This week we began to design our castles and palaces as part of our Fairy tale topic. We did this on paper and on the computers.

Class 3 – In English, we have started to learn classic poetry. We started our new unit by writing some poems about the insects in our garden. We have been exploring equivalent fractions in Maths. They are tricky to spot but fraction walls helped us. We had our last science lesson about light and shadows. We were able to make a shadow clock out of a rounders post in the sunshine. It was amazing.

Class 4 - This week in English, Class 4 have started reading about dragons and have been comparing them in fiction, non-fiction and poetry. They've even practised their skim reading technique and the speed with which they can find keywords. In Maths, the children have been exploring mixed operation multistep word problems and the importance of giving things a go. Our highlight of the week has definitely been our first Yoga session, which proved to be very calming indeed.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

You will have received details of the various extra-curricular clubs taking place this term and additional copies of these letters can be found in the school office. We have already received a lot of replies and places are being filled very quickly so, if you haven't done so already, please can you return your reply slips to Mrs Carrier as soon as possible. I would like to say a massive thank you to all the members of staff who have volunteered to give up their time in order to organise and run these clubs. For a small school we do provide a lot of extra opportunities for our children. Please note that the S7 Academy Superhero Club will be capped at 24 and priority will be given to those children who were unable to attend the rearranged time for the Olympics Club.

Interim Reports & Parents Evenings.

On Wednesday, your child's interim report was sent home. This report should form part of the discussion you will have with your child's class teacher on Parents' Evening. It 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 and our school governors, will also be available on both evenings in order to keep the appointments running to schedule and to assist in any way we can.

Bags2School

Please remember to fill your Bag2School bag with any unwanted clothes, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties or soft toys and return them to school on **Thursday 21st March** 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. If each child could bring one bag into school we would smash our 100 bag target. Thanks for your support.

January & February's PTFA Lucky Numbers Winner

Thank you to everybody who has entered this year's lucky Numbers Draw. Your kind generosity is very much appreciated. January's winning number was **4** and February's winning number was **21**. Well done to our lucky winners, **Rachel Ramsay** and **Jo Fazakerley**, who both win a cheque for £25. Congratulations, Rachel and Jo, and good luck to everyone in next month's draw.

Year 6 SATs Boosters

Our Breakfast Booster sessions will resume as usual next week. Thank you to Mrs King and Miss Dean for running the Boosters and well done to all our Year 6 children work so hard in these sessions.

Worship Theme

In Worship this half term, we will be exploring **Easter** and the Christian Value of **Trust**. I look forward to seeing our Ethos Group deliver their worships on this special theme.

Important Dates:

- 07.03.19: World Book Day Lunch.**
- 08.03.19: World Book Day.**
- 12.03.19: Parents' Evening. 3:45pm.**
- 14.03.19: World Kidney Day.**
- 15.03.19: Red Nose Day.**
- 16.03.19: St James the Great Dance- Music from the 60's and 70's.**
- 19.03.19: Parents' Evening. 5:15pm.**
- 20.03.19: Heskin Book Bench on Display in Chorley.**
- 21.03.19: PTFA Bags2School.**
- 29.03.19: PTFA Mothers' Day Tea Party.**
- 30.03.19: St James the Great Presents Parkside Colliery's Male Voice Choir.**
- 04.04.19: PTFA Easter Bingo.**
- 10.04.19: School Closes for Easter at 2:00pm.**



STARS OF THE WEEK!

- YR: Luca K**
- Y1: Pennie J**
- Y2: Amelie T**
- Y3: Ava R**
- Y4: Ezrin H**
- Y5: Bella M**
- Y6: Daisy W**

Joke of the Week:

This week, we have a few jokes from Mrs Carrier to get us in the mood for World Book Day.

Q: What did the frog say when it went to the Library?

A: Read-it, read-it, read-it.

Q: Why was the Library messy?

A: Because it was full of litter - ature.

Q: Why shouldn't you throw books in the ocean?

A: Because it creates a title wave.

I can't find the words to thank you for those Mrs C, apart from - don't give up your day job.

Please keep sending in your funny jokes for our newsletter.

Hope you have a wonderful week.

Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher