



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

# Newsletter

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2019



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

## **Wonderful World Book Day!**

What an amazing day we had today! I was blown away with the wonderful costumes worn by the children, not to mention the staff, for World Book Day. I feel I must say a huge thank you to everyone for your time, effort and hard work in ensuring that the children looked like their favourite book characters. You did a fantastic job - THANK YOU! Please remember that you can still enter our 'design a story scene' competition. Just complete your designs and get them back to school by **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March** to be in with a chance of winning a certificate, a book voucher



## **Parents Evenings.**

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. Members of our school governing board will also be present at both Parents' Evenings so please stop for a chat and pass on any helpful ideas or ask any questions.

## **World Kidney Day & Red Nose Day**

Next week, we will be raising awareness and money for Kidney Charities Together Group and for Comic Relief. We will be having a non-uniform day on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March**. This year, we are asking the children to wear something bright and colourful, for these two important charities, and bring a voluntary donation of around £1. More information about these charities can be found on their websites:

[www.comicrelief.com/rednoseday](http://www.comicrelief.com/rednoseday) [www.worldkidneyday.co.uk](http://www.worldkidneyday.co.uk)

## **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 6:00pm. £2 a ticket. Come along for an evening full of family fun. You'll not regret it!

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

**Class 1** – Our focus this week has been the Coral Reef. We have been finding out about the types of fish who call this habitat their home. After sharing 'The Rainbow Fish' story, we thought about what makes a good friend and created our own college 'Rainbow Fish' scenes. Following on from our Treasure Hunt story last week, we drew story maps to retell our own version of the 'We're Going On A Treasure Hunt'. In our Maths, we have consolidated our understanding of teens number values. Using a variety of objects, could we show a given number. In 13, how many was the 1 worth? 3 worth? Remember '1 group of 10 and 3 more!'

**Class 2** – This week in Maths we have been working on statistics. By looking at the similarities and differences of objects, we have organised them using Venn diagrams, tally charts, bar charts and pictograms. In English, we have learned about Giants this week, beginning with 'The Smartest Giant in Town' and ending with 'The Enormous Turnip.' On Friday, we used drama to innovate The Enormous Turnip- it was lots of fun! In Topic, we learned about the countries and cities of the United Kingdom and used an atlas to find out where they are. We plotted them on a map and drew their flags.

**Class 3** – We have explored the poem 'The Spider & The Fly' in our English lessons. We have used drama to imagine what they might be thinking and feeling and we have started to learn the poem off by heart. In Maths, we have been learning about tenths and hundredths. We started a new topic in Science and had lots of fun drawing a life-size skeleton. We knew the names of lots of the bones in our body. In RE, we have been thinking about the events leading up to Easter. We have looked at Palm Sunday and thought about how different people would be feeling about the different events.

**Class 4** – The highlight of our week has most definitely been Pancake Day! We decided to link our Big Write to this and researched all about Lent. Then, we wrote some fantastic information texts about what we found out. In Maths, we have been exploring measures in word problems. Not only did we link our work ratios, we even explored imperial and metric measurements. Class 4 have also enjoyed their second week of practising Mindfulness through our Yoga session.

### Extra-Curricular Clubs

Due to Parents' Evenings, the following extra-curricular clubs **will not** take place:

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March-** Ethos Club  
Gymnastics Club

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March-** Gymnastics Club

All other extra-curricular activities will take place as usual.

### Chickenpox

I have been informed that a couple of our children have been diagnosed with Chickenpox this week. Although Chickenpox is very common it can be quite an uncomfortable condition for children and is often worse for adults. Please follow the link below to find out more information about the symptoms and treatment of Chickenpox. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/chickenpox/>

### Children's Conference

On Wednesday, Miss Dean, Olivia and Ashton travelled to Ewood Park to take part in the Blackburn Diocese Board of Education's annual Children's Conference. Along with other children from all over the North West, they found out about the difficulties some people face in getting clean, hygienic water each day and how WaterAid are helping these people. Miss Dean was full of praise for Olivia and Ashton who both conducted themselves impeccably throughout the day, making valuable contributions to the conference.



### Bags2School

Please remember to fill your Bags2School bags with any unwanted clothes, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties or soft toys and return them to school on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 9:00am**. These items will be used to support families in need and our school PTFA. If each child could bring at least one bag into school we could smash our 100 bag target. Thanks for your support.

### Spring Market

Tunley United Reform Church will be holding their Spring Market between 11:00am and 1:00pm on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2019**. There will be many stalls including home-made cakes and pies, crafts, toys & gifts, a tombola, raffle, plants, bric-a-brac, jewellery, scarves & handbags. There will also be a guess the name of Tunley's Easter Bunny competition.

### Important Dates:

**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 Mother's 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.**

**23.04.19: School Opens for the Summer Term.**



## **STARS OF THE WEEK!**

**YR: Christopher B**

**Y1: Charlie T**

**Y2: Sophie S**

**Y3: Tom B**

**Y4: Amelie B**

**Y5: Rowan M**

**Y6: Spencer B**

### Joke of the Week:

This week's joke comes from Leo in Class 4.

**Q: What's worse than finding a worm in your apple??**

**A: Finding half a worm in your apple!**

That joke made me giggle and feel a little bit sick at the same time! Well done, Leo.

Please keep sending in your funny jokes for our newsletter.

Hope you have a wonderful week.

Best wishes,

**Mr Alan Brindle**  
Headteacher