



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

# Newsletter

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2019



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

## Book Fair

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April** will be the start of our week long Book Fair in school. The importance of reading and sharing books as a family cannot be underestimated and this will be a great opportunity for your child to select the perfect book for their reading enjoyment. Our school library will also be given a selection of free books, so the more books you buy for home, the more books we can get for the children in school. The book fair will be open every night after school until **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May** so please come along if you can.

## Fantastic Footballers

On Thursday, our football teams took part in the Cluster School's Football Tournament at Bishop Rawstorne Academy. Both teams played well in their matches, with the boys finishing third in their league and the girls finishing joint fifth. I'd like to say thank you to all the parents, who supported Heskin, and Pep Crighton, Ole Gunnar Scovell, Jurgen Marshall & Rafael Tasker for managing the two teams. Well done, everyone! *HESKIN SQUAD: Thelia (c), Grace, Amelie, Olivia, Mia, Emily, Ezrin, Spencer (c), Leo, Harry R, Harry T, Harry W, Roddy, Addison, Jacob & Joseph.*



## April'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. April's winning number was **20**. Well done to our lucky winner, **Hannah Wotherspoon**. Congratulations, Hannah, and good luck to everyone in next month's draw.

## Extra-Curricular Clubs

The letter containing the details for our extra-curricular clubs went home earlier this week. Please complete the permission slips if you would like your child to attend any of these activities, which will start next week. I'd like to say a big thank you to everyone who gives up their free time to run these activities. For a small school we offer a lot of additional opportunities for our children.

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

**Class 1** – Our focus this week has been Plant Life Cycles. We discovered what happened to a seed once it has been planted in the ground. We also used the Paint programme to draw a seed with its roots and shoots. Next, we planted a variety of vegetable seeds in the garden and talked about what things they would need to be able to grow. How could we help them to grow big and strong? In our Maths, we have begun using the part, part, whole method to add single digits totalling less than 10.

**Class 2** – This week in English we have been reading nonsense poems by Edward Lear. We have written all about the characters and illustrated them. In Maths, Year 1 have been focusing on place value and number bonds to 10, 20, and 50. Year 2 have been learning how to read different types of scales and working on inverse operations. The children have enjoyed listening to the story of Joseph the Dreamer in R.E. They have designed brightly coloured coats for him and have been learning a song about him in Music.

**Class 3** – We have started a new unit in our English lessons all about Fables. We have watched a video and read some fables that we already know. Perhaps you could read your favourite fable at home! In Maths, we have learnt all about 24 hour clocks and have practised solving problems all about time. Our new Science topic is Food. We have thought about why we need food and what we get from food. We even thought about what it would be like if we could not make our own sources of food, as plants are able to do.

**Class 4** – In English this week, Class 4 have started their Myths and Legends Unit. They have been reading around the genre and have looked at texts including the Loch Ness Monster and Orpheus and Eurydice. In Maths, the children have been exploring place value, negative numbers and rounding. During History, the class also began to find out all about modern day Greece and produced some fantastic leaflets. Our Yoga lesson this week focused on World Earth Day.

Please ensure all outstanding debts are cleared on Parent Pay. Your Parent Pay account should remain in credit at all times. Thanks for your cooperation.

### PFTA Meeting

The next PTFA meeting will take place on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** at the White Lion, Wrightington. The meeting will start at 7:00pm and it would be great to see as many people there as possible. Our PTFA do a wonderful job for our school so please come along and support us in any way you can.

### Class 1 & Class 4 Educational Visits

The final payment for Class 4's Hothersall Lodge trip is due before **10<sup>th</sup> May** and payment for Class 1's visit to Mere Sands Wood is due before **3<sup>rd</sup> May**. Thank you.

### Family Campover

After the success of our previous fun filled camping exploits, our PTFA have organised a Summer Family Campover for **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May** at Charity farm. There will be a scavenger hunt, a BBQ and lots of campfire games on the Friday evening and a hot breakfast followed by a family walk on the Saturday morning. Camping is £10 per family which can be booked via Carol Leadbetter or Melissa Gardiner. Remember, if spending the night under the stars is not your thing then you can always join us for the BBQ and scavenger hunt before heading off to your nice warm beds. Everyone is welcome.

### Scarecrow Festival & Family Fun Day

As part of the Wrightington & Heskin Scarecrow Festival, there will be a Family Fun Day on **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May** at Tunley Church hall and field. There will be refreshments, a bouncy castle, an assault course, stalls, games, donkey rides, face painting, ice creams and many more activities for all the family. The event starts at 12:00 noon and will finish at 4:00pm.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Wrightington Rainbows

Our local Rainbows are currently looking for volunteers to join their team of helpers. Please contact the Rainbow Leader, Sarah O'Neill, on 07480350850 if you are interested in helping this worthwhile organisation or if you would like any further information.

### Class Photographs

The children will be having their class photographs taken on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May**. Mr Crowther will also be taking photographs for our school website on that day.

### School Driveway & Staff Car Park

Please take care on the driveway leading up to school. This road is used by taxis and 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, with pupils walking though the staff car park. **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.

### Stay & Play.

If you would like to make use of our after school club, please could you contact Miss Jones on 07519190760 between normal working hours (8:30am and 6:00pm). It is important to book these places in advance so that Miss Jones can organise provision for each night.

### Important Dates:

- 30.04.19: Travelling Book Fair.**
- 01.05.19: Class Photographs.**
- 02.05.19: PTFA Meeting in the White Lion. 7:00pm.**
- 05.05.19: Scarecrow Festival & Family Fun Day.**
- 06.05.19: Bank Holiday.**
- 17.05.19: PTFA Family Camp at Charity Farm.**
- 24.05.19: School Closes for Half Term.**
- 10.06.19: School Opens.**
- 21.06.19: Sports Day & PTFA Summer Fair.**



## **STARS OF THE WEEK!**

YR: **George D**

Y1: **Jack M**

Y2: **All Year 2**

Y3: **Rosie F**

Y4: **Isabella C**

Y5: **Addison T**

Y6: **Zara R**

## **Joke of the Week:**

This week's joke of the week comes from Zara in Class 4.

**Q: Why could the boy not stop reading the Anti-Gravitational book?**

**A: Because it was impossible to put down!**

What a great joke, Zara. Well done. Please keep sending in all your funny jokes for our newsletter.

Hope you have a great week.

Best wishes,

**Mr Alan Brindle**  
Headteacher