



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 3rd May, 2019



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Book Fair

On Tuesday we started our Book Fair. The importance of reading and sharing books as a family cannot be underestimated. This has been 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.

Heskin Lunches: Top Marks!

I'd like to pass on my congratulations to Miss Jones and the rest of the catering staff for once again achieving the highest rating on their recent Hygiene Assessment. For the ninth year in a row, Heskin Pemberton's school catering department has scored a 5 star rating. Well done, Miss Jones.

Heskin Lunches: Summer Menu Orders

You are now able to book all of your child's summer lunches up to the end of term. This includes our special Teddy Bears' Picnic on **Thursday 16th May**.

Year 6 SATs Week!

Our Year 6 pupils will be completing their SATs during the week commencing **13th May**. During SATs Week, they can come to school at 8:30 am Monday to Thursday for a special brain boosting breakfast, served by the world famous chefs: Brindle, King & Dean! Friday will be a non-uniform rewards day in order to celebrate all their hard work and effort in the build up to these assessments.

Class 1 & Class 4 Educational Visits

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

Hothersall Lodge Meeting

On **Wednesday 22nd May** we will be holding an Information Evening for the parents of our Year 5 & 6 children who are attending Hothersall Lodge Activity Centre this year. The meeting will take place at 6 o'clock in Class 4 and we will be passing on lots of information and advice about the forthcoming residential visit.

What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1 – Our focus this week has been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. We have discovered that there are four life stages:- Egg, Larva, Pupa & Adult. Next, we used our observational skills to draw one of these stages, thinking carefully about shape and colour. Could we say what came before and after this stage? After sharing 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar', we sequenced and wrote parts of the story, thinking of alternative foods the caterpillar could eat. In Maths, we have continued to use our addition skills. Working with amounts beyond 10, could we show the total as 10 and so many more...?

Class 2 - We have been very busy in Class 2 learning all about the Seaside. We have used all 5 senses to write expanded noun phrases about sand, shells, fish and chips etc. In Maths, Year 2 have focused on reasoning and problem solving. Year 1 have worked hard on Place Value and have been sketching shells and shading them with pencil. We had our first striking and fielding session outside which was great fun. In R.E. we are still learning about the story of Joseph and have been learning songs about him. In Music we are listening to Reggae and have begun learning a song called Zootime which is all about an aardvark.

Class 3 - In English this week, we have researched facts about animals to include in our fables. We have already had some great ideas about how we can develop our own stories. We have been working on multiplication and division in Maths. We have learnt how to partition larger numbers to help us multiply them. In R.E. this week we have been thinking about rules and how they are important to all of us. We looked at the Ten Commandments and how God gave us all a set of rules to live our lives by.

Class 4 – This week Class 4 have been exploring mixed number fractions and fraction of amounts in Maths. Then, In English, the children have been learning all about the legend of the Trojan Horse. They produced film strips and even dramatized the story! In Topic, the Class have been comparing periods of History on a Timeline and planned some fabulous Greek Art too. In R.E. we have been discussing the nature of God. The philosophical discussion we had was amazing and so mature.

Well done, Year 2!

The children in Year 2 have taken part in a trial of some new KS1 Reading Assessments. They completed two very different tests and worked extremely hard, trying their very best. Mrs Prance was delighted with the hard work, maturity, sensible attitude and determination demonstrated by all the children in Year 2 and has asked me to pass on her congratulations to everyone who took part in the trial. Well done, Year 2. We are all very proud of you.

Family Campover

After the success of our previous fun filled camping exploits, our PTFA have organised a Summer Family Campover for **Friday 17th May** at Charity farm. There will be a scavenger hunt, a BBQ and lots of campfire games. 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 5th 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. I'd like to say a big thank you to Mrs Hugo and the rest of Class 3 for all their hard work and creativity in designing and making Heskin Pemberton's scarecrow. You can see our Mary, Mary Quite Contrary at the bottom of the school drive over the bank holiday weekend. Thank you, Class 3.

2nd 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.

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:

05.05.19: Scarecrow Festival & Family Fun Day.

06.05.19: Bank Holiday.

13.05.19-16.05.19: Year 6 SATs Week.

17.05.19: PTFA Family Camp at Charity Farm.

22.05.19: Hothersall Lodge Information Evening.

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

10.06.19: School Opens.

14.06.19: PTFA Father's Day Breakfast BBQ.

19.06.19: Online Safety Workshop.

21.06.19: Sports Day & PTFA Summer Fair.

28.06.19: Waring Treat.

29.06.19: St. James the Great Summer Fun Day.

19.07.19: School Closes for the Summer Holidays. 2:00pm.



STARS OF THE WEEK!

YR: **Alma A**

Y1: **Joshua A**

Y2: **Amelie T**

Y3: **Harry W**

Y4: **Mia A**

Y5: **Declan R**

Y6: **Robert W**

Joke of the Week:

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

Q: Why did the banana go to the hospital?

A: Because it wasn't peeling very well.

Your joke really tickled my funny bone, Harry. Well done.

If you think you've got a joke that's just as funny as Harry's then please pass it on to me for our newsletters.

Hope you have a great week.

Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher