



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

We are a happy Christian school, where everyone is helped to be the best they can.

Friday 10th May, 2019



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Book Fair

Many thanks to everyone who bought items from our Book Fair. Your purchases, over the last two years, have provided Heskin with an additional £630 to spend on books for our school library. Well done, everyone.

Mawdesley To Moria

Moria is a refugee camp in Lesbos, Greece. The camp contains thousands of vulnerable people who have fled their own country due to war and violence. The camp also contains a large number of children, many of whom have been separated from their families. Isabel Kingsford from Mawdesley is currently working in the Moria Camp for the charity Refugee4Refugees. She has witnessed the dreadful conditions first hand and, as well as her day-to-day work, she has also asked the people in her local villages to try to help the children in this camp. In order to support Isabel in her work, Heskin Pemberton's will collect items of clothing for these refugees. Any unwanted clothes, suitable for winter or summer, will be very much appreciated. These can be bagged up and dropped off at school on **Friday 24th May**. The children are living in horrendous conditions and your support will help to put a smile on their faces and go some way in providing them with a little bit of hope for a better future. Thank you.

Heskin Lunches: Summer Menu Orders

You are now able to book all of your child's summer lunches up to the end of term. Remember to bring your favourite Teddy Bear to join us for our special Teddy Bear's Picnic that will take place on **Thursday 16th May**.

Year 6 SATs Week!

Our Year 6 pupils will be completing their SATs during the week commencing **Monday 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.

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 chicken's life cycle. We discovered there are 3 stages – eggs, chick, adult chicken and that hens are female and cockerels are male. We used our observational skills to draw our own chickens. We also began to discover what happens each day inside the egg using our learning eggs in a pretend nest. Using our Life Cycle diary. We recorded what was happening to our vegetables, caterpillars and eggs this week. What change could we see? In our Addition work we have been practising counting on from the first amount to find the total. We have also been looking at how we can record our work as a number sentence.

Class 2 – In English this week we have been writing about Grace Darling and lighthouses. We have read 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' and are planning to make Mr Grinling some 'lighthouse sandwiches'. In Maths, Year 1 have worked very hard to check all the things they have learned so far in Year 1. Year 2, have focused on shape, time and money. In Art Year 1 have been painting lighthouses and a new backdrop for our role play area. Year 2 have continued to sketch shells. We have been finding out about black bears and elephants in Science and thinking about their habitats and what they eat.

Class 3 - In Maths this week we have been looking at division and the different ways we can divide larger numbers. We have also been continuing our work on times tables, and trying to recall them more rapidly. In English we have written our own fable using all the features and techniques we explored over the past couple of weeks. We will be sharing our fables with Class 1 and we can't wait for them to hear them. In D.T. we have been looking at what we need to have a healthy diet. We have investigated what we need in a healthy balanced diet and we've designed our own healthy packed lunch.

Class 4 – This week in English, Year 5 have been rewriting the legend of the Trojan Horse. They have explored how to use ambitious vocabulary appropriately and have looked at how to show personality traits through actions. Year 6 have been revising SPAG this week and have impressed me with their understanding of parenthetical devices, the subjunctive form and active and passive voice. In Math, we have been working on our understanding of coordinates and have used resilience to solve tricky reasoning problems. In addition to this, we have explored the differences between Athens and Sparta and discussed where we'd rather live in History. The whole class enjoyed a calm, but physically challenging Yoga class and celebrated the positive in their lives.

SCHOOL COUNCIL: Plastic Request

The children in Class 4 will be taking part in a recycling competition run by Home Truths. Their task is to use a variety of plastic items in order to build a house. Prizes will be awarded for the biggest and the most creative houses. The plastic will then be recycled. The children will therefore need as many clean items of plastic as possible. Please could you save and bring in any plastic bottles, pots and containers etc on **Friday 17th May**. Thank you.

PTFA 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.

PTFA Fathers' Day Breakfast

On **Friday 14th June**, our PTFA will be hosting a Fathers' Day Breakfast between 7:45am and 8:50am at school. This will give us the opportunity to treat our dads and grandads before the official Fathers' Day on Sunday. Delicious breakfast barmes, prepared by our hardworking PTFA, can be bought for £3 per adult and £1 per child.

PTFA Non-Uniform Day

We will be having a non-uniform day at school on **Friday 14th June**. In order to wear their own clothes for the day, we will be asking our children to bring in donations for our Summer Fair stalls. Chocolates, bottles of wine, toys and bric-a-brac will all be gratefully received.

Park & Stride!

Our Walk to School Week will take place on the week commencing **17th June**. We will be participating in this initiative in order to improve the health of our children and look after our environment. Our School Council have spoken to **The Corner House** and **The Farmer's Arms** who have all agreed to allow our parents to park on their grounds so that the children can walk to and from school together. So if you live too far away from school to walk you can still participate by parking at any of these venues. The School Council have put together a leaflet with more information about their Park & Stride ideas so hopefully we can all get behind their plans and enjoy taking part in Walk to School Week.

Important Dates:

- 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 Fathers' Day Breakfast BBQ.**
- 14.06.19: PTFA Non-uniform Day.**
- 19.06.19: Online Safety Worskshop.**
- 21.06.19: Sports Day & PTFA Summer Fair.**
- 28.06.19: Waring Treat.**
- 29.06.19: St. James the Great Summer Fun Day.**
- 05.07.19: Spencer's Slippers To School Day.**
- 19.07.19: School Closes for the Summer Holidays. 2:00pm.**



STARS OF THE WEEK!

- YR: **Sofia K**
- Y1: **Elijah T**
- Y2: **Lloyd E**
- Y3: **Jacob M**
- Y4: **Roddy C**
- Y5: **Jacob G**
- Y6: **Alice S**

Joke of the Week:

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

Q: Why did Luke Skywalker always sleep with the light on?

A: Because he was afraid of the Darth!

Funny it is, your Star Wars joke!
Done well, young Daisie, you have.

Please keep passing on your funny jokes to me for our newsletters.

Hope you have a great week.

Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher