



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

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

Friday 24th May, 2019



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Governor Morning

Yesterday, our school governors spent the morning in school. They visited every class and even completed pieces of work, alongside our pupils. The governors had an extremely busy but extremely enjoyable morning. Each and every one of them commented on the impeccable behaviour, determined attitudes, hard work and caring nature of our children. Well done, everyone.

Mawdesley To Moria

I'd like to say a big thank you for all the clothing you have donated to the children living in the Moria refugee camp in Lesvos. Your generosity is very much appreciated. 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.

PTFA Father's Day Breakfast

On **Friday 14th June**, our PTFA will be hosting a Father's 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 Father's 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.

Well done, Waring!

The children in **Waring House** have been crowned this half-term's winning Houses. As a reward for all their hard work and effort they can have their own special non-uniform day on **Monday 10th June, 2019**. Well done to all the children in Waring.

PTFA Smartie Tube Challenge

The PTFA has provided every child in school with a tube of Smarties. Once all of the Smarties have been eaten, the PTFA would like you to fill the tube with any spare change and return it to school after half term. Please can you label the tube with your child's name and class before returning it? The class who raise the most money will receive a special reward!

What has happened in school this week... ?

Class 1 – Our focus this week has been learning about snails. We have also looked at a bee's life cycle and how it is very similar to the life stages of other insects. After sharing *A Snail's Trail*, we created our own snail trail maps. Where did our snails go? What environments did they pass through? What features did they see? Had we been somewhere like that? Then, using our knowledge of insects, we created our own minibeast quiz sheets. Could the class guess which creature it was from our three clues? What a busy half term! Have a lovely few weeks off but please continue with your child's reading pack activities.

Class 2 – This week Year 2 have been really showing off their amazing reading and Maths skills to the best of their ability. Year 1 have been working on 2D & 3D shapes and their properties. In English, we have been planning and writing a story about a fairground using lots of adjectives to make our work very interesting to read. We have also been writing with adverbs to describe verbs. This week in PE, we were striking & fielding and learning about the rules of rounders. In Music, we continued our theme of Reggae and started to add our own lines in to the song.

Class 3 – In Maths this week, we have learnt about equivalent fractions. We have identified fractions that are the same by using diagrams and bars. In English, we have been continuing our work on persuasive writing. We are thinking about healthy living and how we can keep our whole body healthy, including our mind. We really enjoyed trying out some meditations too! In Science, we created an information sheet to advise people about health and nutrition. We remembered to include food and diet, water, sleep, exercise and good hygiene. We also had an amazing time at Lancashire County Cricket Club's ground, Old Trafford.



Class 4 – In English this week, Class 4 have been writing their own chapters about the Battle of Troy. They thought really carefully about how language impacted the atmosphere created in their writing. In Maths, we linked our work in Science this week and measured shadows at different times of the day. We then used the information to create line graphs too. We also thoroughly enjoyed our History work this week, as we learnt all about the Battle of Marathon and used our understanding to write recounts.

School Lunches

Just a quick reminder that the deadline for ordering lunches for the week beginning 10th June has now passed. Please provide your child with a packed lunch if school lunches have not been ordered. Lunches can now be booked right up to the end of term.

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

St. James the Great Father's Day Service

There will be a special Father's Day Family Service at St. James the Great Church, Wrightington, on **Sunday 16th June** at 10:30am. Everyone is welcome.

St. James the Great Confirmations 2019

Whether you are young or not-so-young, and feel the opportunity to affirm your faith would be something important to do, how about taking the opportunity to be confirmed later this year with other folk from St James'? If there's only a few we will take part in the service at Euxton Parish on the **17th November**. 3.00pm. However, if there's a lot of you, we'll ask the Bishop to come to St James' and have a service there. So, if you would like to be confirmed, let Rev Stef know as soon as possible. You can e-mail him vicar@stjames.net or ring the vicarage on 01257 451332. He will make sure that anyone who wishes to be confirmed will be well prepared for the experience.

Park & Stride!

Our Walk to School Week will take place during 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. Members of 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.

Rock & River Holiday Club

Rock and River's school holiday club will be open during our half term break from **Tuesday 28th May** until **Wednesday 5th June**, excluding weekends. Activities run from 9:00am until 4:00pm with drop offs from 8:00am and collections until 5:00pm. Full or half day sessions are available. Please contact Rock and River directly on **01704822644** or email info@rockandriver.co.uk for additional information or to make a booking. Alternatively follow this link to their website: <https://www.rockandriver.co.uk/school-holiday-club>

PTFA Lucky Numbers

May's winning number was number **3**. Our congratulations go to **Carol Leadbetter** who wins **£25**. Thank you to everyone who supports this fundraiser for school.

Important Dates:

- 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 Workshop.**
- 21.06.19: Sports Day & PTFA Summer Fair.**
- 28.06.19: Waring Treat.**
- 29.06.19: St. James the Great Summer Fun Day.**
- 02.07.19: Summer Production. 2:00pm.**
- 02.07.19: Summer Production. 6:00pm.**
- 04.07.19: Summer Production. 6:00pm.**
- 05.07.19: Spencer's Slippers To School Day.**
- 10.07.19-12.07.19: Hothersall Lodge Residential**
- 19.07.19: School Closes for the Summer Holidays. 2:00pm.**



STARS OF THE WEEK!

- YR: Matthew W**
- Y1: Josh A**
- Y2: Sam O'R**
- Y3: Emily R**
- Y4: Joseph S**
- Y5: Issy Taylor**
- Y6: Amelie T-B**

Joke of the Week:

This week's joke of the week comes from Phoebe in Year 6.

Q: What is brown and sticky?

A: A stick!

A great joke, Phoebe. Well done. I had a completely different answer!

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

Hope you have a lovely half term break. See you on **10th June**.

Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher