



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

# Newsletter

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

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2019



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

### Park & Stride!

Our Walk to School Week will take place next week. 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.

### Waring Treat

You are cordially invited to join us for our Waring Treat Celebrations on **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June** at St. James the Great Church, Wrightington. The children will be transported to church by coach for the service, which will start at 2:00pm, and there will be a celebratory tea party, courtesy of our School Governors, at the church hall immediately after the service. Parents are welcome to pick their children up after the tea party at 3:15pm. **Please could any of last year's winners return their trophies to school as soon as possible?** Any children going to Stay & Play will be transported back to school with Heskin Staff. Please ensure that these children bring car seats to school if they are legally required to use them.

### PTFA Fathers' Day Breakfast

Wow! Our PTFA have done it again! An amazing morning was had by all as dads, grandads, children and even a few hungry mums enjoyed a delicious breakfast barm in the hall. As well as raising lots of money for our children this was, more importantly, a great social occasion with everybody enjoying themselves. I'd like to say a big thank you to our PTFA and a big thank you to everyone who joined us for breakfast this morning!

### May Bank Holiday 2020

Many of you will have already heard that the first bank holiday in May next year has changed in order to coincide with the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day. We originally published Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May as the Bank Holiday on our holiday list but this has now been changed to **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May**.

### Terrific Tennis Players!

On Thursday, our Class 3 tennis team took on 8 other teams from the Chorley area in a tournament organised by CSSP and Stuart Grice. Everyone played exceptionally well throughout the competition and finished third overall in our group.  
**HESKIN SQUAD: Amelie, Emily, Joseph, Jacob & Harry.**

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

**Class 1** – We have begun our 'Down on the Farm' topic by looking at sheep. We discovered lots of information about sheep farmers and the shearing process. We also found out that there were many different breeds of sheep and used this to create a unique card for a special person (ssshhh). When 'Marvin Gets Mad' the silly sheep falls down a big hole! We wrote our own story endings. Did he get out? How? What happened at the end of the story? We also discussed what happens if we can't get everything we want after sharing 'Marvin Wants More.'

**Class 2** – We have been very busy in Class 2 this week, focussing on our spelling and grammar. We have learned about different word classes and have been using a variety of punctuation marks. We have been reading about Percy the Park keeper and finding out about the different characters in these stories. In Maths, we have been telling the time on analogue clocks and drawing the hands of the clock in the correct position. Our Computing time has been spent researching the work of Capability Brown, the famous landscape architect, and collecting some ideas for designs of our own.

**Class 3** – We have been looking at statistics in our Maths lessons this week. We have created pictograms and bar charts and answered some very tricky questions about the data. We have used all our persuasive skills in English and have written letters to people persuading them to live a healthy lifestyle. We finished the week by persuading our friends to walk to school next week! In RE we have been writing a guide book for someone who has just become a Christian containing all they need to know about how to live their lives.

**Class 4** – This week, Class 4 have started their Discussion & Debate unit in English. They have read various discussion texts and have thought about the importance of seeing both points of view. In RE, the children have been thinking about the nature of God. They then produced graffiti style words to describe Him. In addition to their usual lessons, Class 4 have also started to rehearse for their production. It has been great to see them practise their use of intonation and expression on the stage. We have a very talented group of children, whom we are very proud of.

### Online Safety Workshop

The primary schools in Heskin, Mawdesley, Charnock Richard, Croston, Eccleston and Bretherton have come together and organised an online safety workshop for parents. The workshop will take place at 6:30pm on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June** at Eccleston Primary School, PR7 5RA. The workshop should enable parents to strengthen their understanding of how best to support their children online. There will also be free supervision for children during the workshop so parents who may struggle with childcare can also attend.

### Sports Day & Summer fair

Heskin Pemberton's world famous Sports Day is on **Friday 21st June, 2019**, starting at **1:30pm**, with spectators being admitted from **1:10pm**. Children will come to school in their pumps or outdoor trainers, and their school PE kit or house colours. They will also need a plastic water bottle. Please apply sun cream and provide sun hats, if required. The PTFA Summer Fair will follow our Sports Day so please stop and enjoy the various activities and stalls.

### Tunley United Reform Church: Strawberry Evening

Tunley United Reform Church are hosting an evening of strawberries, cream and shortbread at 7:00pm on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July**. Entertainment is provided by Betsy the Housekeeper. Tickets for this popular event are priced at £6 per person and can be purchased by telephoning **01257 463407** or **01257 425330**.

### Celebration Worship

Please note that today will be the last Celebration Worship for a couple of weeks due to Sports day and the Waring Treat. Our next celebration worship will take place at 3:00pm on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July**.

### Extra-Curricular Clubs

You will have received details of the various extra-curricular clubs taking place this term and additional copies of these letters can be found in the school office. We have already received a lot of replies and places are being filled very quickly so, if you haven't done so already, please can you return your reply slips to Mrs Carrier as soon as possible. I would like to say a massive thank you to all the members of staff who have volunteered to give up their time in order to organise and run these clubs. For a small school we do provide a lot of extra opportunities for our children.

### Family Fun Day

St James the Great Church will be hosting a Family Fun Day on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June** from 11:00am until 3:00pm. Our children will open the event by singing 2 songs from this year's summer production. There will be a host of attractions so please come along and support this fun event.

### Well done, Eve!

I'd like to pass on my congratulations to Eve in Year 6 who has been announced as the winner of this year's Lancashire Sporting Pledge Competition. Eve will now be a VIP guest at the Lancashire School Games and her pledge will be read to all of the athletes and spectators during the opening ceremony. Well done, Eve.

### Well done, Grace!

Heskin has yet another competition winner! This time it is Grace in Class 3 who has won the Southport Flower Show's 'Design a Garden' Competition. Her design will be transformed into a real garden for this year's Show. Grace has also won herself VIP tickets for this prestigious event and has been awarded £250 for our school's gardening club. Well done, Grace.

### Important Dates:

- 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.**
- 30.06.19: Heskin Village Field Day Event.**
- 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: Poppy H**
- Y1: Anastasia K**
- Y2: Amelie T**
- Y3: Danielle P**
- Y4: Charlie B**
- Y5: Declan R**
- Y6: Spencer**

### Joke of the Week:

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

**Q: What do you give a citrus fruit when it's had an accident?**

**A: LemonAid.**

Wow! That joke is simple the zest! Well done, Eve.

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

Hope you have a great week.

Best wishes,

**Mr Alan Brindle**  
Headteacher