



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

# Newsletter

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

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2019



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

### **Football & Healthy Eating Day.**

On Monday, we will be visited by The Football Development Team who will work with all our children, from Reception to Year 6. The team will be looking at developing our football skills and improving our understanding of the importance of healthy eating. School PE kits will be needed for the practical sessions. Football tops, tracksuit bottoms and trainers may also be worn but are not compulsory. **Please can I ask that you only send trainers with your child if they are able to tie their own laces or if the trainers have Velcro fasteners?** Tying over 100 pairs of trainers does get a little time consuming! I would like to say a massive thank you to our PTFA for funding this event. Your support is very much appreciated.

### **Aldi: Kit For Schools**

This year, we will be participating in Aldi's Kit For Schools scheme. Every time you spend over £30 in an Aldi store you will receive a sticker for our school. Once we have collected enough stickers we will receive a free sports kit and will have the chance of winning £20,000 for our school. You can support this venture by collecting stickers from any Aldi Supermarket and, as we are only a small school, please encourage your friends and family to collect stickers for our school too. There is a post box in the hall to collect all your stickers.

### **Pingawings Jumble Sale**

Pingawings will be hosting a jumble sale on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October** at the OAP's Hall in Wrightington. The sale will start at 6:30pm. Please contact Pingawings on 07951834455 if you require any additional information.

### **National Eye Health Week, 2019**

It is National Eye Health Week this week. As part of this initiative each child can enter a colouring competition with a chance of winning book tokens to the value of £20 for first place and three runners up prizes of £10. There will be two age categories, KS1 and KS2, so, if you would like to take part, please enter your child's age on the back of the colouring sheet.

**Please remember that eye tests for children are free.**

### **Harvest Lunch**

Miss Jones is organising a special Harvest Lunch on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**. If any child, who usually has a packed lunch on Thursdays, would like to join us for a school dinner then please book with Mrs Carrier before Tuesday .

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

**Class 1** – Our focus this week has been 'The 3 Little Pigs'. We shared different versions of this well-known traditional tale. Were they all the same? How were they different? We looked at the different materials that the pigs had chosen. Which was the best? Why? Next, we made our own houses using the construction blocks. What features did it need? In Maths, we extended our representations to show groups of objects from 1-10. We discovered that 6 could be shown as 5 and 1 more, 7 was 5 and 2 more. What would 8,9,10 be? During R.E. we talked about Harvest and began to learn our own Harvest Festival song for the service in Church next week.

**Class 2** - We are sharing the story of 'Dogger' by Shirley Hughes and using the story to inspire our writing. In Maths, we have practised finding odd and even numbers and numbers greater than and less than. In Art, we have continued to look at Picasso's portraits and we are beginning to draw our own. In R.E., we looked at the Jewish festival of Sukkot, and how Harvest is celebrated.

**Class 3** – In Maths, we have used all the skills we have built up learning about place value to help us quickly add and subtract ones, tens, hundreds and thousands to numbers. We have also worked on quick strategies to add single numbers to each other. The Iron Man is getting really exciting now. We have explored how he felt when he escaped and how he will have felt when he had all the metal he wanted. We've also written our own instructions to catch a giant. We studied the results of our experiment in Science and realised that things don't travel as far on rougher surfaces. Now we've started looking at how magnets can make things move without even touching.

**Class 4** – This week in class 4, we have been profiling our suspects in our detective unit for English. When doing this, we have ensured that we have used accurate evidence from our witnesses and have presented our writing in a formal tone with parenthetic devices. In Maths, we have been revising written methods for multiplication. The entire class have been so accurate that many were able to move onto the short written method and could apply their understanding to reasoning problems. This week, Class4 also started their Crime & Punishment unit in History. They have been so enthusiastic and can now describe punishments from the Anglo-Saxons.

### Harvest

Our school Harvest Service will take place on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October** at St. James the Great Church, Wrightington. The children will be singing, reading and leading prayers, so please join us for this special service. Transport to the church has been arranged, but please collect your children at 3:30pm from church rather than school. Any child in Stay & Play Club will be transported back to school, but please ensure that they have an appropriate car seat for this journey if they legally require one.

**Please bring any tinned or packaged food items for our Harvest collection to school on that morning.**

### Parents' Evenings

Throughout the year, you will have two formal opportunities to meet with your child's teacher. Our first Parents' Evenings will be on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October** and **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October**. These will be an opportunity for you to meet with the teachers and discuss how well the children are settling into their new class and new year group.

The second will take place in the Spring Term and this meeting will be about your child's attainment and the progress they have been making in school. You will also have an opportunity at this Spring meeting to see the work in your child's books and classroom.

Of course, you are always welcome to contact school to at any time to arrange an informal meeting with the teachers. We really do have an 'open door' policy at Heskin Pemberton's and we will always provide you with any advice or support you may need.

### 2020 Primary & Secondary School Admissions

You can now apply for school places for next September via [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

Supplementary Faith Forms are available on our school website. Please can parents, who require a faith reference for their child's admissions application, ensure that they fill in a slip every time they attend a Service at St. James the Great Church, Wrightington. The closing dates for admission applications are:

**Primary- 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.**  
**Secondary- 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2019.**

Please do not hesitate to pop in and have a chat with me if you have any questions regarding admissions, and please encourage anyone who is interested in their child joining our fantastic school next year to contact me to arrange a visit.

### Lunches

You can now order lunches up to 8<sup>th</sup> November. Orders for the following week need to be made before Wednesday cut off.

### Milk

Class 2 Milk payments up to Christmas are due. Please send cash or cheques made payable to LCC in a named envelope.

### Important Dates:

**30.09.19: Football & Healthy Eating Day.**  
**01.10.19: Parents Evening. 5:30pm-7:00pm.**  
**04.10.19: School Harvest Service at St James The Great. 2:45pm**  
**07.10.19: Parents' Evening. 4:00pm-5:30pm.**  
**18.10.19: Class 4's Worship. 3:00pm.**  
**18.10.19: School Closes for Half term. 3:30pm.**  
**28.10.19: INSET Day.**  
**29.10.19: School Reopens.**  
**30.10.19: PTFA's Celebrate the Season Disco Party.**  
**31.10.19- 07.11.19: School Book Fair.**



## **STARS OF THE WEEK!**

Congratulations to this week's SUPERSTARS!

R: Isabella H  
Y1: Summer B  
Y2: Daniel D  
Y3: Will D  
Y4: Alana M  
Y5: Olivia O  
Y6: Meg R

Well done to you all.

## **Joke of the Week:**

Our joke of the week comes from **Charlie** in Class 4.

**CHARLIE: If there were ten sheep in a field and one of them walked into the next field, how many sheep would be left in the first field?**

**MR B: That's easy! There'd be nine sheep left in the first field.**

**CHARLIE: You don't know sheep very well, do you, they would all follow the first sheep!**

What a great joke, Charlie!  
Ewe really made me chuckle.

Please pass on your best jokes to me for our newsletters.

Hope you have a great week.  
Best wishes,

**Mr Alan Brindle**