



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

# Newsletter

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

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2019



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

### **Class 4's Worship: God's Big Story**

With the help of Martin & Emma Price, the children and staff in Class 4 will deliver a fantastic worship this afternoon. Their preparation for this worship has been outstanding and I can't wait to see what it looks like when it all comes together. Well done, everyone.

### **Samaritan's Christmas Shoebox Appeal**

We will once again be participating in the Samaritan's Christmas Shoe Box Appeal by filling shoe boxes with Christmas gifts for children who are less fortunate than ourselves. We will be collecting all boxes on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November** and then passing them on to the Samaritan's for distribution.

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

Thank you for all the stickers we've already received. Please remember that 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.

### **School Eco Council: Recycling Challenge**

On Monday, we were visited by Michael from Biffa. Michael set each year group the challenge of creating a bright, eye-catching design for a recycling bin, and the challenge of collecting the most recycling items. Each year group in school will have their own bin in which to collect cardboard, paper, plastic bottles, plastic packaging, shrink wrap and cans. Mrs Keane and the Eco Council will send out more information, which will explain how you can help with this important challenge.

### **St James The Great Grand Christmas Draw, 2018**

In order to raise funds for the Church, St. James The Great's PCC have organised a Grand Christmas Draw. I have sent home a book of tickets earlier this week. Hopefully, you, your friends or your family will buy a ticket or two and win one of the various prizes, which include £200 and a drinks hamper. Please can you return all money, unsold tickets and ticket stubs to school by **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November**.

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

**Class 1** – Our focus this week has been 'Jack And The Beanstalk'. Using picture cards, we created a story map to help us retell the events in the story. The giant left his boots in the classroom. Looking at the boots, could we use words to describe what the giant looked, smelt and sounded like. We then drew our giants thinking about the description we had used. In Maths, we have been exploring time. How many objects could we place in our container in 10 seconds. What if we had a different container? Amount of time? Could use two hands instead of one? How could we record our amounts?

**Class 2** - We have researched the life of Florence Nightingale, and found out about her important work with the soldiers during the Crimean War. We also looked at the conditions in Victorian hospitals and compared them to modern hospitals. We created descriptive Autumn poems using our senses and continued to read stories and poems that rhyme. In Maths we practised solving subtraction word problems. In Art, we used collage to create portraits. As we read and enjoyed the story of the Gingerbread Man again, we decorated our own gingerbread man. We hope they were enjoyed! It's been a great half term and we are looking forward to what Autumn 2 brings!

**Class 3** – We have enjoyed performing our Iron Man Kennings in English. We used expression in our voices and in our faces to make our performances as entertaining as possible. In Maths, we have learnt about doubling numbers and how we can use partitioning to help us double trickier numbers. In our last Science lesson on forces, we carried out an investigation to find out whether all magnets are the same strength. We worked well in our teams and came to a conclusion that they don't!

**Class 4** – This week in Maths, the children have been exploring the properties of triangles. Using their reasoning skills, they learnt how their area links to rectangles, and explored missing angles in triangles too. In English, we have explored how to build atmosphere using similes, metaphors and personification. The children did a fantastic job at using these in their final chapters. We have combined Art and R.E. and produced amazing faith stained-glass windows.

### School Driveway & Staff Car Park

Please take care on the driveway leading up to school. This road is used by vehicles visiting school and visiting the house at the end of the road. I have noticed a few near misses over the last few weeks, especially with pupils on scooters or pupils collecting conkers. **Please encourage the children to use the path at all times, when coming to or leaving school, rather than walking down the middle of the road or through the staff car park.** Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

### Adios Jack

Today, we say goodbye to Jack who is moving to Spain. Jack is a kind, considerate and fun-loving member of our Heskin family and he will be sorely missed but I know that he will have lots of fun in his new home in sunny Spain. I'm sure you'll join with me in wishing Jack and his family all the very best for their move and I'm sure they will be keeping in touch and telling us all about their Spanish adventures. Good luck, Jack. We will miss you.

### PTFA's Celebrate The Season Party

Our World famous Celebrate The Season Party will take place on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October**, between 5:30pm and 7:00pm. Tickets can be purchased at a price of £5 for one child, or £10 for 2 or more children in the same family. This price includes a hot dog, a drink, a cake, spooky crafts, games, Gingerbread Decorating (thank you, Mrs Marshall for baking the gingerbread people) and a disco. **Please put all money and ticket requests in a labelled envelope and send through to class for our PTFA to process.** Remember that there will also be a prize for the best costume and our pumpkin carving competition! **Make sure all pumpkins are brought to school on the Wednesday morning ready for the judges.** I'd like to say a big **THANK YOU** to our PTFA for organising this great event.

### PTFA's Bag 2 School

We will once again be participating in the Bag 2 School project. Bags have been distributed and should be filled with any unwanted clothes, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties or soft toys. They should be returned to school on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November** at **9:00am**. These items will be used to support families in need, and our PTFA will also receive a donation for items collected.

### Dance Club

Our Dance Club performed their final routine for a packed audience on Tuesday. I'd like to say a big thank you to the children, who were amazing, and also to Miss Sinnott, from CSSP, for helping to choreograph such a great performance.



### Well done, Pemberton

The children in **Pemberton House** have been crowned this half-term's winning House. As a reward for all their hard work and effort they can have their own special non-uniform day on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2019**. Well done to all the children in Pemberton.

### Important Dates:

**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.

**11.11.19:** Sean Perkins  
(Author) visit to school.

**12.11.19:** Flu Vaccinations.

**20.11.19:** Class 3's Education  
Visit. Lancaster.

### Joke of the Week:

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

**Q: Why does Jack refuse to  
buy Velcro?**

**A: Because it's a rip off!!!**

Well done, Jack. I'm going to  
miss your jokes.

Please keep the funny stuff  
coming in.

Hope you have a great half  
term break.

Best wishes,

**Mr Alan Brindle**  
Headteacher