



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

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

Friday 15th November, 2019



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,

Class 3's Worship

On **Friday 22nd November**, the pupils in Class 3 will be leading their own worship. Parents, family and friends are warmly invited to join us for, what I'm certain will be, a truly wonderful worship. Doors will open at 2:45pm for a 3:00pm start. **Please note that there will not be a Celebration Worship that day.**

St James The Great Grand Christmas Draw, 2019

In order to raise funds for the Church, St. James the Great's PCC have organised a Grand Christmas Draw. You will have already received a book of tickets. 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 20th November?**

PTFA Hot Chocolate

This month, our PTFA will be selling hot chocolate drinks for £1 on **Friday 15th November** and **Friday 29th November**. Thank you everyone in the PTFA who give up their time to make and sell these delicious, warming drinks.

PTFA Non-Uniform Day

We will be having a non-uniform day on **Friday 29th November** in order to gather donations for the PTFA's Breakfast With Santa event. We would, therefore, like the children to bring in items for our chocolate tombola.

Sporting Superstars

A huge congratulations to our football team, who played in a tournament yesterday at Parklands High School, and our dodgeball team, who competed in a tournament this evening at Bishop Rawstone Academy. Our dodgeballers played amazing well, reaching the final and finishing runners up to Eccleston Primary. Our footballers were crowned The Chorley Small Schools Champions for 2019, which means that they will now represent Chorley in the regional finals later this season. Well done both teams. I'm extremely proud of all of you. I'd also like to say a massive thank you to Jurgen Crichton, Ole Gunnar Tasker and Pep Marshall for coaching our teams.



What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1 - Our focus this week has been understanding the seasons, beginning with an Autumn walk to collect signs of the season. These objects were then used to create a map, which plotted our route. Using both non-fiction books and the computer, we discussed how each season is different. We talked about our favourite parts of each one and chose a season to paint using the paint programme on the computer. In Maths, we have continued to look at measuring weight, using the balance scales. Could we predict what would happen when we put two objects on using vocabulary 'heavier', 'lighter'? We also began to use cubes and cotton reels to work out 'how many' were equal to a chosen object. Finally, Anjali, Jasmine and Sartaj helped us celebrate Guru Nanek's birthday with fruit, sweets and chocolate. Thank you!

Class 2 - In English, we have continued to write facts about London landmarks for our information booklet. In Maths, in addition to practising using coins we have started subtracting numbers. We learnt the difference between human and physical features in Geography, and in Art created a collage to represent The Great Fire Of London. With the help of Sartaj, we also learnt about Guru Nanak and the origins of Sikhism. It is also the time of year for practising the Nativity, so we have been concentrating on learning the songs.

Class 3 - In English, we have planned our own myth that include our own hero, monster and imaginary battle. We can't wait to write our story next week. We have carried on practising our times tables and division facts and learnt some great ways to crack them. In R.E. we have been talking about Jesus being the Light Of The World. We have talked about what this means to us and how we can show, through the movement of dance, the light overcoming the dark.

Class 4 - This week in English, the class have been practising turning notes into sections for their Sir Robert Peel biographies. We have explored the difference between formal and informal language too and thoroughly enjoyed performing our work as newsreaders. In Maths, we have started to explore ratio and proportion and their links to fractions. We even explored Fibonacci Numbers and spirals in nature! In Art this week, the class have been focusing on trees and how to draw these in charcoal and pencil for their final Highwayman compositions.

THANK YOU!!!!

I'd like to say a big thank you to Sartaj, Jasmine, Anjali and their parents for bringing in a feast of goodies for all the children in school. The goodies were to celebrate the 550th anniversary of the birth of Guru Nanak, the founder of the Sikh faith. We really appreciate your kind gesture and we hope you had a wonderful time celebrating this special occasion.

I'd also like to say a big thank you to *Lillian, Thelia* and *Grace* who all represented our school with great maturity and understanding whilst participating in this year's Remembrance Service in church. Thanks also to the many other members of our school family who joined us for this very special service.



Bag2School

Please fill any Bags2School bags with any unwanted clothes, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties or soft toys and return them to school on **Wednesday 27th 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.

St. James' Family Bingo

In order to raise funds for the church hall extension, St. James' will be hosting a Family Bingo Night between 5:00pm and 7:00pm on Friday 29th November. Tickets are priced at £2 each and this includes refreshments and a hot dog for children. Bingo, raffles and lots of family fun for everyone!

St. James' Christmas Toy Stall

If you have any suitable toys for the toy stall at this year's church Christmas Fair then please pass them on to Rachel Baron or Jenny Evans. Thank you.

Sean Perkins

On Monday, we were joined by Sean Perkins, a local author. Sean read a selection of his books to the children throughout the school, and answered questions about his inspiration, his career path, his background and his love of reading and writing. Thanks for your visit, Sean.

Samaritan's Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Many thanks for all the wonderful gifts you have donated for this year's Samaritan's Shoebox Appeal. Your kindness and generosity will help to make this Christmas very special for lots of children around the world. Thank you.

School Dinner Orders.

Please ensure that all lunch orders are made online by Wednesday for the following week. Please can I also ask you ensure that your accounts remain in credit to avoid any lunches ordered getting automatically removed from the system?

Important Dates:

- 20.11.19: Class 3's Education Visit. Lancaster.
- 23.11.19: St. James' Christmas Fair.
- 27.11.19: Bag2School Collection Day.
- 28.11.19: PTFA Film Night.
- 29.11.19: PTFA Non-uniform Day.
- 05.12.19: Learn This Term With Classes 3 & 4. 3:00pm.
- 07.12.19: Breakfast With Santa.
- 09.12.19: School Nativity Production. 2:00pm & 6:00pm.
- 10.12.19: School Nativity Production. 6:00pm.
- 12.12.19: School Christmas Lunch.



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Congratulations to this week's SUPERSTARS!

- R: Scarlett H
- Y1: Matthew W
- Y2: Elijah T
- Y3: Isabel L
- Y4: Tom B
- Y5: Mia A
- Y6: Thelia W

Well done to you all.

Joke of the Week:

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

Q: What's brown and sticky?

A: A stick!

Phew! Well done, Joseph. A great joke.

Keep sending in your funny jokes for our newsletter. Mrs Marshall has left one on my desk but I know that you can do better!!

Hope you have a great week.
Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher