



Heskin Pemberton's CE Primary School

Newsletter

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

Friday 29th November, 2019



Dear Parents, Pupils & Friends,



Class 3's Worship

Wow! What a wonderful worship our Class 3 children led on Friday. The children spoke with amazing maturity and confidence and their singing was amazing. I loved hearing about the Vikings and learning about how they weren't all as fearsome or violent as we thought. I guess we should never judge a book by its cover. Well done, Class 3.

Rock FM's Mission Christmas

This year we are supporting Rock FM's Mission Christmas by becoming a local drop off point for their gift appeal. Rock FM's mission is to ensure that every child has a happy Christmas this year and are asking people to buy 1 extra gift to help disadvantaged children in our local community. If you feel like you would like to contribute then simply bring your unwrapped gift to school and pop it in Santa's Box outside Mrs Carrier's office. Thank you.

Brilliant Boccia

Today, we participated in a Boccia and Kurling event at Clayton Green sports Centre. Our team took part in a skills festival against a variety of schools from all over Chorley. The children were amazing in their attitude, enthusiasm, skills and sportsmanship. Well done, everyone. TEAM HESKIN: Xanthe, Albert, Eve, Isabella, Scarlett, Anjali, Jasmine, Ella, Sebastian, Phoebe and Matilda.

St James The Great Christmas Fair

Thank you to our excellent singers who opened this year's Church Christmas Fair last Saturday. Your singing was amazing and put everyone in the festive spirit. Well done.



What has happened in school this week...?

Class 1- This week we have been identifying woodland animals. Using various sources, we discovered facts about their homes and food. Then, we matched a variety of animals to their homes, along with a fact about them. We also explored texture, using various printing tools to create owl 'feathers' and hedgehog 'spikes'. In RE, we created a Nativity scene, identifying and naming different characters who appear in the story. In Maths, we used playdough to create caterpillars, which were 'wide' and 'narrow'. What did we notice about how their width affected their weight? Please have a look this weeks 'Wrapping' homework. It will help develop your child's understanding of measurement terms, such as, longer, shorter, taller, wider, narrower, heavier or lighter.

Class 2- We've continued to learn about The Great Fire of London and the importance of Samuel Pepys' diary as a source of information. We have also completed our models of Pudding Lane and we all think it looks splendid! We are compiling our non-fiction books about London in English and in Maths, have used mental calculations to add and subtract numbers. We have retold the story of Hanukkah in RE and made a colourful menorah to remind us of this Jewish festival. We are continuing to practise The Nativity as we will soon be performing! Well done to everyone for learning their lines and all the songs!

Class 3- This week we have worked hard in our maths using our division skills to divide larger numbers. Year 4 have used key multiplication facts to help them crack "chunking" as a division strategy. We have also been busy writing our legends. We have tried to use all our writing skills to create exciting stories that will be told for years to come! In Science, we had lots of fun exploring sound. We used short and long string telephones to find out what happens to sound the further away you get from the source. In topic we have started making our Viking Longships. We have chosen the materials we wanted to use to make them and we are using our DT skills to help us cut and join the materials properly.

Class 4 -This week in Class 4, the children have started their new English unit - poetry. We have been practising reading poems aloud using intonation, volume and gestures. They all did a fantastic job and even managed to learn some of the verses by heart to perform aloud. In Maths, the class have been exploring units of measure. Using their understanding of multiplication and division, they practised converting between different metric units and applied this to reasoning problems. We have also been researching police vehicles in DT this week, in preparation for creating our own. The class even found out about a special police tractor!

Breakfast With Santa

Our annual PTFA Breakfast With Santa event will take place on **Saturday 7th December** in the school hall. There are many stalls, a tombola, Christmas crafts, refreshments and a very special visitor. Tickets are priced at £6 per child.

PTFA Film Night

A BIG thank you to our PTFA for organising our film night and all the members of our school staff who stayed behind to supervise the films, the popcorn, the pizzas and the drinks. We had a wonderful time and I hope the parents did too. The winners of the DVDs from the Film Night are **Charlie B** who gets to take home Toy Story 4 and **Ruby C** who can now watch the The Lion King whenever she wants.

Bag2School

Many thanks for all of the bags of clothes you brought into school this week. As well as providing clothes for the needy we have also raised over £170 for our school PTFA. Well done, everybody.

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!

THANK YOU!!!!

I'd like to say a massive thank you to Freddie's dad, Mr Waring, for clearing the leaves away from the path leading to school. You've done a wonderful job and I'm extremely grateful for his kindness in offering to do this for us.

Tunley Church Events

CHRISTMAS FAIR: Saturday 30th November, 11:00am-1:00pm in Tunley Church Hall. Stalls, raffles, tombolas, Santa's grotto, lunch and home-made cakes. Everyone is welcome.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: Friday 13th December, 7:30pm in Tunley Church Hall. Entertainment by Coppull & Standish Brass Band. Tickets are £8.00 which includes a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie.

Please contact 01257 463407/425330/426252.

PTFA Hot Chocolate

Our PTFA will be selling hot chocolate drinks for £1 today. Thank you everyone in the PTFA who give up their time to make and sell these delicious drinks.

Sacred Heart

On Thursday, Class 4 visited Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School in Blackburn. As well as participating in an workshop linked to their RE topics, our children also delivered a presentation to the pupils and staff at Sacred Heart all about our Gospel Values and what Faith means to us.

Important Dates:

- 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: Christmas Lunch.
- 13.12.19: Panto Trip.
- 17.12.19: Advent Service at St. James the Great.
- 19.12.19: Christmas Party Day.
- 20.12.19: Christmas Cracker 1:15pm.
- 20.12.19: School Closes at 2:00pm.
- 06.01.20: School Reopens.



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Congratulations to this week's SUPERSTARS!

R: Anjali K
Y1: Olivia R
Y2: Anna D
Y3: Ruby C
Y4: Gemma F
Y5: Rory B
Y6: Jacob G

Well done to you all.

Joke of the Week:

Our joke of the week comes from **Mrs Marshall** in Class 2. She's been pestering me for weeks to put this in the newsletter!!!

Q: What do you call a Spanish man with a rubber toe?

A: Roberto!

Thanks, Mrs Marshall. That was well worth the wait!

We now need your best Christmassy jokes for the next three newsletters. Let's see what you can come up with.

Hope you have a great week.
Best wishes,

Mr Alan Brindle
Headteacher