

HEYTESBURY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

19th January 2018



We were visited this morning by Archdeacon Alan Jeans, who was very impressed with the children's fantastic behaviour and with how the children were able to talk to him about life at Heytesbury School. I am sure those parents who were able to join us enjoyed Alan's Worship as much as we did.

We would like to invite parents of children in year 6 to a SATs information session on Friday 2nd, February at 3.20. We would strongly advise parents to attend – the children should come too. We will outline what is being expected from your child and suggest ways for you to help at home.

As you are aware, we have a new supplier for our school dinners. I am pleased to say that the food is delicious. As a result, the number of children ordering a hot lunch has soared and consequently the lunchtime staff have been rather overwhelmed with the increase in the amount of washing up and clearing up. We would like to ask if any parents would be prepared to volunteer from 12.30 – 1.30 to help with the washing up (we do have an industrial dishwasher) and the clearing up of the hall (those peas get everywhere!) This would release the staff a little bit earlier, enabling them to take the children outside for play that little bit more quickly. Ideally, we would like to have a rota of parent helpers as we would not ask anyone to volunteer every day. If you are interested, please let me or Mrs Eagle know. (All volunteers will need to have a DBS carried out - Disclosure and Barring Service clearance – this will be done through the school.)

Planning ahead, the summer term in any school is always a busy time due to residential visits, sporting events, extended visits to secondary schools and so on. For this reason, as well as the time demanded to deliver the curriculum, we have decided that the whole school summer production will become a bi-annual event. As 'Dragon Days' was such a huge (and wonderful) performance last July, and took up so much time, the next production will be summer 2019. In place of a production in term 6, there will be a musical show-case, involving all children.

The dance club are busy rehearsing for the Bath Dance Festival. Many thanks to 'Nanny Jan' for her incredible generosity in purchasing the costumes for every child.

This Friday, the HSPA are holding a 'Mums' Movie Night' – do bring your popcorn and lemonade and enjoy watching a film in good company.

Have a great weekend – wrap up warm!

Best wishes
Mrs Godfrey & Team

SCHOOL DIARY — TERM 3

January

- Friday 19th HSPA Movie Night 7.30pm
- Wednesday 24th SATs Information Session 3.20pm

February

- Tuesday 6th West Wilts Dance Festival
- Rehearsal 3.00pm
- Dance Festival 6.45pm

CLUBS TERM 3

Starting w/c 8th January

Cards Club	Y1-6	MONDAY	3.15-4.15pm
Writing Wizards	Y6	TUESDAY	3.15-4.00pm
Dance Club	Y3-Y5	THURSDAY	3.15-4.15pm
PH SPORTS CLUB	Y1-6	THURSDAY	3.15-4.15pm
Homework Club	Selected pupils only	FRIDAY	3.15-4.00pm

THIS WEEKS ACHIEVEMENTS

DIAMOND

Talia P

SAPPHIRE

Ruby L, Ashton C, Belle M

EMERALD

DIAMOND = SOLVING PROBLEMS

SAPPHIRE = KEEPING FOCUS MONSTER DISTRACTION

EMERALD = RESILIENCE/PERSEVERANCE

RUBY = SUPPORTING OTHERS



Olivia & Ruby B

Learning Corner

Badgers: In Science, we are going to be describing the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in our solar system, by examining the geocentric and heliocentric theories. We will be looking at scientific evidence that has supported or refuted ideas and theories in this context. Last week, Emily worked hard at home and brought in a poster and model of the solar system that she had made. She shared some interesting facts with the class that everyone found very interesting.

In Music, we are going to be listening to some of 'The Planet's Suite' by Gustav Holst and considering how his music is linked to each planet. For example, 'Mars' is named after the roman god of war – how does the music reflect this? Every Monday, Mrs BT is checking home reading and passport practice – keep up the good work!

Foxes: This week in English Foxes have been looking at writing setting descriptions. We used expanded noun phrases, similes and WOW words to help us put together complex descriptive sentences.

In Maths we have learnt how to round 2 digit numbers to the nearest 10. Some year 3's even looked at rounding 3 and 4 digit numbers to the nearest 10! We have also looked at estimation and used this to help us verbalised logical reasoning.

Otters: In Maths, we have been learning how to find one more and one less than a number up to 20 but some children managed up to 1000! We have also been exploring money, recognising the value of coins and how to make different amounts using the coins.

In English, the children now know how to make singular words plural by adding 's' or 'es' and have learnt to use a comma when writing a list. They have also had fun creating a story map for the story 'The Night Pirates'.

In the afternoon they made Chinese New Year animal masks.

This term's Worship theme: **Wisdom**

'If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.' James 1 V5