

HEYTESBURY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 9th March 2018



Dear Parents,

What a change in the weather – it's hard to believe that only last week we had all that snow!

With the gradual improvement in the weather, our sporting events are beginning to increase. Unfortunately, we had to pull out of the netball tournament due to insufficient numbers of Y5/6 wanting to participate but we just had enough Y4/5/6 to enter a rugby festival at Warminster Rugby Club on Wednesday. They worked incredibly hard as a team and displayed excellent skills and determination, receiving a well earned certificate. Well done! Next week, all classes will be taking part in a tennis taster session.



We had been asked by parents to run more clubs for the younger children, but unfortunately, those we have set up on a Monday are not well attended – card club Y1-6 and Y1/2 sports club. If your child is interested please fill in a permission form which is available by the front office -if numbers are no higher next week, we will unfortunately have to cancel both clubs.

It was great to see so many parents come into school to observe phonic lessons in Otters Class – we hope you found these sessions of benefit.

Unfortunately, the school nurse running 'Building resilience and reducing anxiety in your child' workshop is ill so the workshop has been cancelled. We will let you know the new date once it has been arranged.

The children will shortly be bringing home their full annual reports. We have changed the format of the report this year so it is in line with other Acorn Trust Schools. You will have an opportunity to discuss this report with class teachers on Wednesday 21st March 3.30 – 6.00 or Thursday 22nd March 2.15 – 4.30 Badgers & Foxes; 3.30 – 4.30 Otters – the booking system will open next week. Unfortunately, I will not be there for the Thursday meetings as I have a Head Teacher meeting in Devizes but am happy to meet with any parent at a mutually convenient time.

Our World Book Day celebrations will be on Monday, 26th March & Tuesday 27th March. It would be great if your child came to school on the Monday dressed as a book character (not Disney princesses) and bring the book too. We would like to invite grandparents to come to school on Tuesday, 27th March to read a favourite story to a group of children. If you would like to do this, please sign up on the sheet in the entrance foyer. The Scholastic Book Fair will also be available during the parent's evenings, so do come prepared to buy some new books for your child – the school will receive a percentage of all books sold.

Many thanks to all the parents who baked for Otters cake sale today. It will be the turn of Foxes Class on Friday 23rd March.

Have a restful weekend.

Mrs Godfrey & Team

SCHOOL DIARY — TERM 4

March

- Wednesday 14th Tennis Taster (within school)
- Wednesday 14th Kingdown Y7 students to visit Y6
- Friday 16th Annual reports to parents
- Friday 16th Y1/Y2 Football Tournament
- Wednesday 21st Parent Consultation Meetings 3.30-6.00
- Thursday 22nd Parent Consultation Meetings
Badgers & Foxes 2.15-4.30
Otters 3.30-4.30
- Thursday 22nd Book Fair
- Friday 23rd Book Fair
- Friday 23rd Foxes Class Cake Sale & 'Duck Sale'
- Monday 26th Whole school focus: Books & Stories
Children dress up as a book character
- Tuesday 27th Whole school focus: Books & Stories
- Tuesday 27th HSPA Easter Bonnet Parade
- Tuesday 27th Last Day of Term 4
- Wednesday 28th Staff Training: Safeguarding
- Thursday 29th Staff Training: Writing

April

- Monday 16th First Day of Term 5
- Tuesday 17th Reception Height & Weight checks
- Monday 23rd Dress up in Red/White/Blue for St Georges day

May

- Monday 14th Y6 SATS week
- Friday 18th HSPA Disco

CLUBS TERM 4

Drawing Club	Y1 - Y6	MONDAY	3.15-4.15pm
Sports Club	Y1 & Y2	MONDAY	3.15-4.15pm
Cards Club	Y1 – Y6	MONDAY	3.15-4.15pm
Writing Wizards	Y6	TUESDAY	3.15- 4.00pm
Dance Club	Y1 - Y4	THURSDAY	3.30- 4.15pm
PH SPORTS CLUB	Y1 - Y6	THURSDAY	3.15-4.15pm
Homework Club	Selected pupils only	FRIDAY	3.15- 4.00pm

Swim Session Cancelled

Due to essential repairs being carried out at Warminster Sports Centre on Monday 26th March, there will be no swim session on this date. A full refund will be issued and be available for collection from the office Monday and Tuesday morning.

THIS WEEKS ACHIEVEMENTS

DIAMOND

George G, Charlie B, Rufus E, Sam M

SAPPHIRE

EMERALD

Daisy O

Oscar E

RUBY

DIAMOND = SOLVING PROBLEMS

SAPPHIRE = KEEPING FOCUS MONSTER DISTRACTION

EMERALD = RESILIENCE/PERSEVERANCE

RUBY = SUPPORTING OTHERS



Pippa B, Bella D, Amelia H,
Belle M, Arthur F,

Summer Uniform

This can be worn AFTER the Easter holidays and consists of a blue checked *one-piece dress* - no checked shorts, skirts or blouses. Grey trousers/shorts or skirt and white polo shirt may also be worn. Thank you.

This term's value: Truthfulness

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. John 14:6

In worship this week, Badgers class helped act out the story of Adam and Eve.

Learning Corner

Badgers: In Y5 and Y6 Maths, we have focussed on applying our knowledge of decimals, percentages and fractions to problem solving situations. Hopefully, next time you go shopping, the children will be able to use their knowledge of percentages and fractions to find you some bargains!

In Science, we have continued to investigate how living organisms are grouped using different criteria. We can (hopefully) sort vertebrates from invertebrates and further subdivide each group, identifying the characteristics of each subset.

We continue to work on our weekly spellings. Each week there is a letter pattern or rule that we have learnt as well as a couple of spellings from the statutory list we have to teach. Additionally this week, I have asked the children to find some spellings that they find tricky (for example, a few still spell 'went' as 'whent' or 'friend' as 'freind'). Please practise these spellings at home; can the children come up with a useful and suitable 'memory hook' and then ensure they get the spellings right in their work next week?

Foxes: This week Foxes have been planning an adventure story. They created a display of WOW words to use in their stories to help make them exciting. To plan their stories they have made story maps and mountains to ensure a structure.

In maths, year 2 have continued to practise some SATs papers as well as quickly recapping properties of shape. Year 3 have been learning about angles. Ask them the difference between a right, obtuse and acute angle.

In Science. Foxes have explored some food wheels and have been sorting different foods into food groups. They are now also keeping a food diary for a week to see if they are eating a balanced diet.

Otters: The Year 1 children have been working hard to show off their learning in their English and Maths assessments.

In the afternoons, we investigated windy places around the school using our wind socks. Then we learned about the Beaufort scale to measure wind. We also made cards. Mums please look in your child's book bag.

In RE, we made palm branches and acted out the story of Jesus being welcomed like a king.