



# Heathcoat Primary School Newsletter

Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

Monday 24 April 2017

## Learner of the Week

FSN Millie Phippen  
1S whole class  
1P Billy Phillips  
2G Beau Haslem  
2D Millie Boddy  
3E Toby Jones  
3P Cameron Booth  
4J Elliot Wallace  
4S Mason Mangnall  
5P Cameron Smith  
5B Henry Stanton  
6P Hana Edworthy  
6H Gracie White

## Multiplication Tests

3E 72%  
3P 76%  
4J 76%  
6P 55%  
6H 55%

## Lunchtime Behaviour

FSN Harry White  
FSBB Darcy Holland  
1S Hayden Butt  
1P Desmond Hill  
2G Connie Skinner  
2D Dylan Moore  
3E Lauren Tonkin  
3P Evelyn Simpson  
4J Grace Parker  
4S Evie Broom  
5P Mickey Clark  
5B Riley Farley  
6P Katie Legge  
6H Jodie Vincent

## Best Attendance

4J & 6P - 100%

## Friends of HPS

### Forthcoming Events for your Diary

Yummy Friday - Please could parents of children in Year 3 provide the cakes and biscuits (all nut free) for the next Yummy Friday at the end of this week.

## News

Term Dates - the term dates for the next academic year are on the back page of the newsletter. If you need to see the dates for the end of the year, please come and help yourself to the sheet in the document stand outside the school office.

Drumming Workshop - we have had very few people pay £1.65 for the workshop on Wednesday 26 April. This session has been organised instead of taking the children to Westpoint for the Devon Mix which cost around £10. We have arranged it so that it will be cheaper for parents and to try something new and exciting for the children. We would appreciate it if all parents could send in their payment as soon as possible please.

Year 4 Rockets - On Wednesday last week, 4S went to Tiverton High School to launch the rockets we designed and built last term. The launch day was very successful, with a bespoke launch device built by Heathcoat Fabrics, firing rockets up to 85 metres! Some of the



furthest travelling rockets were built by pupils in 4S. We'd like to thank Heathcoat Fabrics Limited for their hard work and the time they spent putting both the factory tour and the launch day together.

Ballet - there are still spaces for ballet after school if your child is interested.

Writing Competition - Children from Year 5 were given the chance to enter a

Young Writers competition called 'Once Upon a Dream' where they wrote a poem about dreams. Six children from Year 5



did a fantastic job with their poem writing and won the competition, which means they will have their poems published in a Young Writers book of poems! It's great to see the children so enthusiastic about their writing and we can't wait to read the poems.

Swimming - well done to the children who recently took part in the swimathon programme and completed it successfully.



This newsletter will be available on the school website under the 'News' section

### Diary Dates

Drumming Assembly -  
26 April 2.45pm

Dental Survey - 28  
April

Year 1 Assembly - 28  
April 3pm

Class Photos - 4 May

### Term Dates

May Bank Holiday  
Monday 1 May

Summer Half Term  
Monday 29 May -  
Friday 2 June

Last Day of Summer  
Term  
Friday 21 July

First Day of Autumn  
Term  
Tuesday 5 September

Autumn Half Term  
Monday 23 October -  
Friday 27 October

Last Day of Autumn  
Term  
Friday 15 December

First Day of Spring  
Term  
Wednesday 3 January  
2018

Spring Half Term  
Monday 12 February -  
Friday 16 February

Last Day of Spring  
Term  
Thursday 29 March



### Message from Miss Higginson

Welcome back, I hope you all enjoyed the Easter break.

As always we have a busy term ahead of us with lots to look forward to such as the drumming workshop on Wednesday for Year 3, 4 and 5, other trips and visits, sports day and the summer fete to name a few!

At the start of last half term we discussed that attending school on time and regularly is an important part of children achieving their best and making good or better progress. We will continue to focus on making sure that all children attend school on time and regularly. Last term the class with the best attendance each week enjoyed receiving a certificate in assembly and earning an extra 10 minutes of golden time that week. Therefore we will continue to award certificates this term to the class with the best weekly attendance. At the end of this half term the class with the best attendance for the half term will receive a small reward.

As always, if you have any questions please see your child's class teacher or the Team Leader for that phase: Miss Neale (Nursery and Reception), Miss Davis (Year 1 and 2), Miss Pearson (Year 3 and 4) and Mrs Budden (Year 5 and 6).

Exmoor Challenge - Well done to everyone who participated in the practise walks for the Exmoor Challenge. The children representing our school are HPS Team 1: Jodie & Gemma Dilks, Keira Barnes and Merryl Coffey and HPS Team 2: Callum Findlay, Tobias Groover, Christina Pearce and Anna Paine. We wish all eight competitors all the best on Saturday 29 April for the 2017 Exmoor Challenge walk.



SATs Question - from a Key Stage 2 Maths paper for 1 mark

Write the number that is five less than ten million.

Answer to last question - the semi colon is placed after the word 'village' to break up the two statements.

There are Roman ruins near our village; they are being excavated next week.

Wow Slips -

Kayla Penberthy - has been a resilient rhino. For the first time in months, she got herself dressed and ready for school without any help. Well done.

Summer Brooks - has been a resilient rhino, learning to try her shoe laces over the Easter holidays.

Chloe Gribble - has been a busy and resourceful raccoon over the holidays. She helped her dad to decorate the living room, taught Connor how to ride his bike, helped her uncle in the garden and climbed a tree at Knightshayes.