



Heathcoat Primary School Newsletter

Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

Monday 5 June 2017

Learner of the Week

FSBB Cameron Stevens
1S Annie Newton
1P Rhys Humphreys
4J Paige Clarke
6P Gracie Hopkinson
6H Esther Webber

Multiplication Tests

4J	58%
5P	54%
5B	60%
6P	66%

Best Attendance

6P - 97.6%

Friends of HPS

Forthcoming Events for your Diary

Yummy Friday - thank you to everyone who supported the recent cake sale. We raised £50.70.

Friends Meeting - our next meeting will be on 7 June at 2pm. All are welcome.

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Widemouth Bay Residential - if you didn't pay the final balance for your child's trip to Widemouth before we broke up for half term, please could you come to the office and make the final payment or go online and pay by card.

Super Swimmers - A huge well done to Gemma and Jodie Dilks for their recent achievements in swimming. The twins qualified to enter the SWR swimming championships held over two weekends in May at 50m pools in Hengrove in Bristol and at Millfield in Street. Jodie came 2nd in 200m butterfly and 2nd in 200m breaststroke also placing 4th in four other races and 5th in the 400m individual medley out of 9 races she entered. Gemma came 4th in 200m butterfly and 9th in 200m freestyle and 9th in 100 fly in the 12 year age group they swim in. Swimmers come from 6 counties in the SW Cornwall, Devon, Somerset, Gloucestershire, Dorset and Wiltshire to race at this event.

Drama Club for Years 1-6 - we do still have spaces for the drama club running on Fridays after school

starting this week. The club will run for 5 weeks until 14 July and costs £12.50. If your child would like to join, please collect a form from the office.

Pirates of the Curry Bean - huge congratulations to all the children in Years 3, 4 and 5 who worked incredibly hard over the last half term to put on a superb performance of "Pirates of the Curry Bean". We are very proud of their dedication and professional attitudes – and delighted with some excellent feedback from parents. Several said that it was the best primary school production they had ever seen! Not everyone feels comfortable on the stage, however every child had the opportunity to get involved in some way either making props, posters or tickets, painting scenery or working the lights and music. The staff also worked hard with rehearsals and painting props and scenery, even dressing in gorilla suits which helped to make this a truly memorable show, dripping with 'Piratical Style"! A special thank you to Mrs Brandon-Brown for the fantastic parrot headdress for 'Squawk'.



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Diary Dates

Fantastic Mr Fox - 15 June

Year 6 Science Workshop - 8 June

Term Dates

Last Day of Summer Term
Friday 21 July

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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
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Spring Half Term
Monday 12 February -
Friday 16 February

Last Day of Spring Term
Thursday 29 March

First Day of Summer Term
Monday 16 April

May Bank Holiday
Monday 7 May

Summer Half Term
Monday 28 May -
Friday 1 June



Message from Miss Higginson

Welcome back. I hope you all enjoyed a lovely half term break.

At this time of the year we start thinking about and planning for the new academic year. As you are aware we have federated with Rackenford Primary School (RPS) and Tiverton High School (THS). Already we have been working more closely with both schools and staff from all schools have been working in or supporting colleagues in THS and RPS.

This close working will continue in the new academic year. There will be some staff changes across both the primary schools. Mrs Dunning who is currently Head of School at RPS will be moving on to a new job at another local school and Mrs Drake will be acting Head of School at RPS. As you know Mr Ferdinando will be coming back to HPS having spent the last two years on secondment at RPS. Miss Budden is off to RPS for the year and we would like to welcome Miss Ezell who will be joining us at HPS.

In the next few weeks we will be thinking about arranging children into classes for next year. Teachers will take into account the mix of boys and girls, current ability as well as friendships to ensure that the classes are as equally balanced as possible. If you have any questions or concerns about classes for next year please speak to your child's class teacher as soon as possible, as it is much easier to take this into consideration before, rather than after, the classes are decided.

I would like to say a huge well done to all the children in Year 3, 4 and 5 who took part in the Pirates of the Curry Bean just before half term. It was a fantastic performance and all the children worked really hard and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Thank you to all those parents who came along to support the children, gave us positive feedback about the show and donated money towards our new piece of sound equipment which broke the day before the show.

As always, if you have any questions please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance and then the Team Leader for your child's year group.

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

Write **all** the common multiples of 3 and 8 that are **less than 50**.

Answer to last week's question - the correct pronoun which replaces the underlined words are 'she' and 'it'.

When Sara came to the end of the road, Sara turned right.
The pavement had a large hole and Sara fell into the hole.

Wow Slips -

Grace Boys - was a resilient rhino when she completed badges 7 and 8 at gymnastics.
Alfie Boys - is a resilient rhino as he can now ride his bike without stabilisers.
Findlay Crawford - was a resilient rhino when he played in his football tournament. They had to play some hard teams, but he kept on trying to score even though it was tricky and he was awarded a medal.