



Heathcoat Primary School Newsletter

Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

Monday 15 May 2017

Learner of the Week

FSN Ava Frost
1S Alissa Stevens
1P Lucas Parkhouse
2G Holly Penberthy
2D Anna Simpson
3E Ethan Wood
3P Chloe Gribble
4J Evie Peacock
4S Mason Mangnall
5P Tyler Beal
5B Josie Long
6P whole class
6H whole class

Multiplication Tests

4J 65%
4S 27%
5P 60%
5B 50%

Lunchtime Behaviour

FSN Alfie Parfect
FSBB Harvey Pratt
1S Lewis Hunter
1P Ella Laws
2G Ava Lees
2D Lily-Rose Gear
3E Alex Bush
3P Lennox Boddy
4J Isabelle Potter
4S Ruby Skinner
5P Tyler Beal
5B Briana Wallace
6P Conor Warren
6H Esther Webber

Best Attendance

4S & 6H - 99.6%

Friends of HPS

Forthcoming Events for your Diary

Next Meeting - the Friends will be meeting again on Wednesday 7 June at 2pm. We would love to see some more parents and carers at the meeting either to share ideas/views or just to come along, have a cuppa and see what we do.

News

Year 6 Transition to High School - a few weeks ago the children were sent home with an information pack from Tiverton High School. In this pack was an S11/1 Data Collection Form. Please could parents complete this and return to the school office as soon as possible.

Outstanding Money - a reminder to parents that dinners, trips, breakfast club and nursery sessions must all be paid for IN ADVANCE. The school is currently owed £386.40 for dinners alone! In restaurants and supermarkets goods must be paid for when received - it should be no different at school.

Class Photos - Order forms have been sent out today for you to order class photos. Each class has displayed a copy of their photograph in the window for you to have a look at. Please ensure that your order is handed in by 23 May with payment by cheque.

Scooters and Bikes - Just a reminder that for safety reasons all scooters and bikes must be pushed through the school grounds at the start and the end

of the school day and not ridden by the children.

Fidget Spinners - While we appreciate that children are enjoying playing with fidget spinners they are starting to cause a distraction in lessons and on the playground. Therefore from today please can we ask for your support in ensuring fidget spinners are left safely at home.

Holidays in Term Time - since the recent High Court ruling, we have been advised that if children are absent from school for five days or more due to holiday, then Devon County Council will issue parents with a penalty notice. While the Isle of Wight case was ongoing the raising of penalty notices was put on hold, but as the ruling was upheld by the High Court, the original guidance on holidays in term time is now back in place. Please continue to notify the school of holidays by completing the absence request form, available from the office.

Mayor Choosing - On Monday 8 May Miss Davis and Miss Pearson took the Year 4 School Councillors to the annual Mayor choosing. We were invited to watch the ceremony in the Town Hall along with children from the other local schools. The children presented the new Mayor with some flowers and wished him luck in his work in the forthcoming year. As always the four children; Tristan Ferdinando, Tilly Matthews, Jayden Hunt and Grace Parker, represented Heathcoat Primary extremely well and were a credit to us.

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

Diary Dates

Year 3 Paignton Zoo -
17 May

Family Art Workshop -
23 May

Reception trip to Tiver-
ton Museum - 24 May

Pirates of the Curry
Bean - 25 & 26 May

Term Dates

Summer Half Term
Monday 29 May -
Friday 2 June

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
2018

Spring Half Term
Monday 12 February -
Friday 16 February

Last Day of Spring
Term
Thursday 29 March

Building Learning Power (BLP): Reasoning - As you are aware, we are teaching BLP to all the children from Nursery up to Year 6. Our focus for this half term has been to develop a 'reasoning friendly culture'. We have been looking at ways to build reasoning into everyday activities. The children will have repeated opportunities to construct logical arguments which can be backed up by evidence - "can you prove it", "tell me/show me what you think". Our focus is to improve skills so our children can convince others of their thinking, "can you make a convincing presentation of your thinking?" Throughout the school, we are developing skills to look for patterns, evaluate our thinking, look for pros and cons and prove new ways of thinking. The children are describing, explaining, justifying and proving what they are thinking and why.

We would like parents to send in wow slips over the next few weeks when their child has shown these reasoning skills at home. If you would like some activities to do at home, please talk to your child's class teacher

Dance & Drama Clubs - Vicky Baldwin who runs the dance, drama and ballet club after school would like to make a change after half term. Dance moves will now run on a Monday at 3.15pm and drama will be on a Friday after school. Letters will be sent out shortly. If your child is interested in joining, please send the slip back to the office with your payment.

SATs Question - from a Key Stage 2 English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling paper for 1 mark.

Replace the underlined words in each sentence with the correct pronoun.

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

Answer to last week's question

If $n = 22$ then $2n$ is 2×22 which is 44 and then add 9 which is 53.

To work out $2q + 4 = 100$ you have to work backwards. $100 - 4 = 96$ and then $96 \div 2$ is 48. Therefore 2×48 is 96 then add 4 which is 100.

Wow Slips -

Hannah Patch - was a resilient rhino. She managed to swim two lengths in the big pool. Well done Hannah.

Ella Tolly - has been a resilient rhino, working really hard at home. She has been practising maths using pictures and has shown a lovely improvement in reading.

Freya Booth - was a resilient rhino this weekend when she did her first park run. She found it hard as we had forgotten to take any water with us, but she carried on and in the end, crossed the finish line ahead of her mum. Well done Freya!