



Heathcoat Primary School Newsletter

Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

Learner of the Week

FSN Joey Mangnall
FSBB Alice Longbottom
1S Jayden Taylor
1P Nathan Gale
2G Liam Yates
2D Darcy Frost
3E Millie Snell
3P Liam Coles
4J Libby Clow
4S Tilly Matthews
5B Thomas Cox
6P Katie Legge
6H Leon Bush

Multiplication Tests

3E	62%
3P	52%
4J	39%
4S	50%
5P	73%
5B	74%
6P	82%
6H	63%

Lunchtime Behaviour

FSN Daisy Williams
FSBB Daisy-Mai
Somerton
1S Annabelle Sinclair
1P Desmond Hill
2G Kiaryn Howe
2D Archie Noad
3E Emily Green
3P Nevaeh Cherry
4J Tristan Ferdinando
4S Ellie-Mai Northcott
5P Ruby Land
5B Poppy Holland
6P Star Fewings
6H Gracie White

Best Attendance

1S - 99.7%

Monday 17 October 2016

News

Cloakrooms and Corridors - Could we please remind parents that although they are welcome to pop into the classrooms at the start and end of the day to speak to the teacher, we would ask that they do not go into the cloakrooms or internal corridors of the school. We would like to encourage the children to be independent in hanging up their coats and also prevent these areas from becoming congested.

Samaritan's Purse - This charity sends shoeboxes filled with Christmas gifts to disadvantaged children around the world. If parents would like to make up a box with their child over half term, please pop to the office for a leaflet which gives you information about what to put in the box and how to wrap it. Boxes can be prepared for boys or girls for the following age ranges: 2-4, 5-9 and 10-14. These boxes will be collected on Monday 31 October which is the first day back after half term.

Arriving Late - in regard to promoting good attendance within the school, can we please bring to your attention the procedure if your child is late. The external classroom door closes at 8.50am and in order to make sure that all children have appropriate lunchtime arrangements and are marked in the register, please can you make sure you enter the school through the main reception and the staff will sign your child in there. If you have any issues regarding getting your child to school on time, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Drama/Dance/Ballet Club - letters have been sent out for children who would like

to join our ballet (Monday) and dance (Friday) clubs next half term. Spaces are limited so please return your slip and payment as soon as possible. If you didn't receive a letter, please pop to the office for one. We will not be running the drama club at the moment.

Start of School - please could we remind parents that children should not be unaccompanied in the school grounds before 8.45am. If children are here too early without an adult then the teacher will be phoning home. Not only is this our usual school policy, but with all the building work going on, it is also to ensure your child's safety.

Individual School Photos - we will be holding our school photos on Friday 11 November. Letters will be sent home this week with further details so please look out for it and return the reply slip if you need to, by the date requested.

Down's Syndrome Day - to raise awareness we are asking everyone to wear stripy, bright or odd socks on Friday 21 October.

School Crossing Patrol - Devon County Council are advertising for a lollipop person. If anyone is interested please see the following website <https://new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/safe-travel/road-safety/schools/school-crossing-patrols/>

Teaching Assistant Post - We have a vacancy for a teaching assistant to work approximately 25 hours with a specific child. The closing date is noon on 1 November. For more details and an application form please see the school website www.heathcoat.devon.sch.uk

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

Diary Dates

Federation Presentations

18 October 6pm at Tiverton High

19 October 3.20pm at Heathcoat Primary

20 October 3.40pm at Rackenford Primary

Family Workshop - 20 October 3.15pm

Term Dates

Autumn Half Term
Monday 24 October -
Friday 28 October

Non Pupil Day
Friday 18 November

Last Day of Term
Friday 16 December

First Day of Spring Term
Tues 3 January 2017

Spring Half Term
Monday 13 February -
Friday 17 February

Last Day of Term
Friday 31 March

Non Pupil Day
Tuesday 18 April

First Day of Summer Term
Wednesday 19 April

May Bank Holiday
Monday 1 May

Summer Half Term
Monday 29 May -
Friday 2 June



Message from Miss Davis

As we approach the end of the first half of the Autumn Term, this is to inform you of the topics that your child will be studying in Key Stage One.

Year One's current topic is the body, in which they have learned all about the different body parts and their function. Within this topic, the children have made split pin body models, have written their own page of a non-fiction book and have created a model of their own face using a paper plate and art materials.

After half term, the children will learn all about the Gunpowder Plot, a key event in British history and a science based topic on materials. Children will learn all about natural and man-made materials, and will also develop their use of descriptive vocabulary to describe everyday materials. At the end of the term, the children will learn about Christmas and the Christmas story.

In Year Two, the children have been learning all about animals. They have discovered that there are different animal groups, and have also learned lots of facts about nocturnal animals. After half term, the children will be learning about the origins of The Gunpowder Plot, and will write their own recount of this event. The main topic for the second part of the Autumn Term is Dinosaurs, in which children will create their own dinosaur fact files. The term ends with a study of Christmas in Victorian Britain.

As you can see, the Autumn Term in Key Stage One is full of exciting and interesting learning! If you have any questions or concerns, then please speak to your child's teacher in the first instance and then to myself, as Team Leader, if you require further support. We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that children must go to the cloakroom on their own each morning. Parents are welcome to remain in the classroom. We thank you for your support in helping us to develop your child's independence.

SATs Question

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This question is for 1 mark

Answer to last week's question - You may bring sandwiches and juice or water for the trip, but glass bottles are not allowed.

Wow Slips -

Leon Bush - has shown all of the four learning behaviours by achieving second place in the annual District Scout Association Soap Box Race recently. Resilience for persevering after falling off several times during practice runs. Resourcefulness when building the soap box with other team members. Reflectiveness for planning and revising plans and lastly reciprocity for interdependence and collaboration with his team mates, recognising that it was a team effort to win the trophy. Well done.

The children at Tea and Toast - have been helpful, setting the tables and tidying away the chairs. They have been helping each other and working as a team. Well done all.