



Heathcoat Primary School Newsletter

Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

Monday 19 September 2016

Learner of the Week

1S Bailey Pearce
1P Sophie Brandon-Brown
2G Ella Orr
2D Basti Ferdinando
3E James Beales
3P Chloe Gribble
4J Brooke Gould
4S Evie Broom
5P Ruby Leatham
5B Kaidon Butler & Oliver Davey
6P Hana Edworthy
6H Denzil Peard

Multiplication Tests

5B 56%

Lunchtime Behaviour

1S Jayden Taylor
1P Imogen Rapo
2G Billy Short
2D Bethany Marshall
3E Millie Snell
3P Danny Wright
4J Lydia Butt
4S Tristan Ferdinando
5P Jacob Mitchell
5B Billie Tinniswood
6P Ned Cockbain
6H Amy Moore

Best Attendance

4J - 100%

News

Scaffolding - As you are aware we are in the process of having the roof fixed. We appreciate that it can cause a bottle neck at the start and end of the day in certain places around the grounds. Thank you for your understanding and patience whilst we have the roof repaired.

Healthy snacks - A huge well done to all those children who are bringing healthy snacks and have drinking water in their bottle.

Guitar Lessons - these will start again on Friday 23 September. Please see the back page of the newsletter for other music lessons provided by Sarah Small.

Harvest Assembly - We had a visitor from the local housing charity (CHAT) today. They spoke to the children about collecting food items such as tins of vegetables, fruit and meat (corned beef, curry, stew, chilli), packets of rice/pasta or pasta pots with sauce, tins of custard or rice pudding, cartons of fruit juice and long life milk, cereal, tea/coffee, biscuits, cereal bars, deodorant, shower gel/shampoo, etc. They would also really appreciate individual tins with ring pull openings. If you would like to donate some items for CHAT please take them to the kitchen area in the cathedral by Wednesday 5 October.

Medical Appointments - we understand that children have to sometimes go to appointments in school time, but could we ask parents to try to make appointments after 1.30pm if at all

possible. When children do go to the doctor or dentist, please could parents bring a appointment card or a copy of the appointment letter to the office.

Children's Toilets - in the interests of safeguarding, please could we ask that parents do not go into the children's toilets. If you need to accompany your child, please use the disabled toilets at either end of the building.

Flu Vaccine - letters were sent out to all children in Year 1-3 recently about the nasal spray flu vaccine. The form which was in the pack of information must be signed by parents and returned to the school by Friday 23 September, even if you do not give consent.

Family Fun Day - the Tiverton Devon Air Ambulance Shop is holding a fun day on Saturday 24 September 10am-3pm with stalls, tombola, face painting, cakes, animals and entertainment. Some of our Year 4 children will be singing at the event in Market Walk at 11am. If your Year 4 child wants to join in and you have not brought the slip back, then please come for 10.50am and we would love to see them there.

Museums at Night - The Royal Albert Memorial Museum in Exeter is holding a family Halloween event on Friday 28 October from 7-9pm. Come and see the museum glow in the dark! You can make a roman lamp and join the candle lit parade around the museum to see the sparkly rocks and iridescent butterflies. Go to www.rammuseum.org.uk for more information.

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

Diary Dates

Year 4 Kent's Cavern -
26 September

Macmillan Coffee
Morning - 30 Sept

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

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Message from Mrs Keller, Headteacher

As you are aware, we are very keen to be as approachable as we possibly can be in school. Working in partnership with you as parents is vital, if we are to maximise the progress and wellbeing of our children here at HPS. Within school, we have four teams each of which have a Team Leader. Please do introduce yourself to your child's team leader and if you have any question or concerns that your child's class teacher can't help you with, then get in touch with the Team Leader who is best placed to help you.



Miss Higginson
Deputy Headteacher



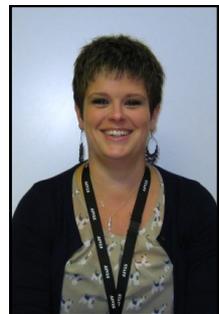
Mrs Roberts
Children with Special Needs
and Attendance Officer



Miss Neale
Foundation Stage Team
Leader (Nursery and
Reception)



Miss Davis
Early Years Team Leader
(Years 1 and 2)



Miss Pearson
Middle Years Team Leader
(Years 3 and 4)



Mrs Budden
Upper Years Team
Leader (Years 5 and 6)

Music Lessons - We have a music teacher called Sarah Small who can offer lessons on the flute, recorder, clarinet, oboe, saxophone and guitar here at Heathcoat Primary. She works in other local school and can provide first rate references. She has a step by step approach, making these instruments accessible to anyone who wants to learn, including children with dyslexia, dyspraxia and ADHD. She also teaches recorder/woodwind/jazz ensembles - even very young children find learning the recorder very beneficial. The new toots and doods are great as they make fabulous classroom instruments for children as young as 5 or 6. All instruments can be provided for the first few lessons and many are available to hire longer term. Lessons are 15 or 20 minutes long and cost £5.50 or £7.25 each. Sarah will be teaching at Heathcoat on Fridays. Please email or contact her direct with your child's requirements (smallsarah44@gmail.com or 07970 951 168).

Wow Slips -

Jessie Short - has been a resilient rhino, even though she doesn't eat vegetables, she tried carrots last week and loved them! She has also been having to take medicine twice a day which she has done without any fuss.