



Heathcoat Primary School Newsletter

Aspiring to achieve our best: moving forward together!

Monday 23 April 2018

Learner of the Week

FSDB Faith Medina
FSE Sandra Stankiewicz
1BA Harry Nguyen
1P Joshua Gard
2D Phoebe Groover
2G Michaela Palmer
3P Liam Yates
3S Leo Disberry
4C Harry Hawkins
4E Amber Shakespeare
5F Paige Clarke
5S Maisy Ffrench
6H Callum Parsons
6P Merryn Ellis

Lunchtime Behaviour

FSDB Seth Williams
FSE Reuben Groover
1BA Harvey Pratt
1P Neve Haslem
2D Poppy Adwick
2G Nathan Gale
3P Marty Colman
3S Lily-Rose Gear
4C Harvey Eastley
4E Naomi Evans
5F Zack Douglas
5S Emma Broom
6H Sophie Baker
6P Briana Wallace

Best Attendance

1BA, 3P, 4C & 4E - 100%

Friends of HPS

Forthcoming Events for your Diary

Next Meeting - The Friends will be meeting on Tuesday 1 May at 2.30pm. All are welcome.

News

Year 1 Assembly - we would like to invite parents and carers of children in Year 1 to come to our assembly on Friday 27 April at 2.40pm.

Uniform - a reminder that all children should be in the correct school uniform every day. This includes a blue sweatshirt or cardigan (available from Tony Pryce in Tiverton), trousers/skirt and black shoes. Jeans and coloured trainers are not part of the uniform. Children should also have their PE kit in school from Monday to Friday complete with daps or other shoes especially for PE. Children should not be wearing their usual school shoes for PE as well. A copy of the full uniform list is available from the document stand outside the school office.

Stranger Danger - A number of incidents have been reported in the local area recently of unknown adults approaching children on their way home from school. The latest incident happened on Friday where a car stopped and took a photo of a group of children. This incident has been reported to the police, if anyone has any further information or saw what happened, please call 101 and report it to the police. We have talked to the children in assembly today about stranger danger. You may want to reinforce this message at home tonight.

Class Photos - all the children will be photographed in their classes on Wednesday 2 May. If your child is in

nursery and they do not normally attend on a Wednesday, please bring them in at either 9.15am or 12pm so that they can be included in the group photo.

Attendance - well done to all four classes who achieved 100% attendance last week. This is a record! Please could we ask for parent's support in keeping children's attendance as high as possible - lost days really do have an effect on their learning. A child who has 90% attendance will have missed a half day EVERY week and only HALF of these pupils will achieve their target grades!

Book Fair - we are holding the book fair after school again on Thursday 3 May, Friday 4 May and Tuesday 8 May. If you would like to buy any books or just have a browse, the fair will be in the New Hall from 3.30-4pm.

Thrive Swimming Sessions - Tiverton Leisure Centre have kindly agreed to open the small pool earlier on week days to allow children/young adults with disabilities, additional needs and anxiety based disorders, to swim in a calmer and less busy environment. The 'Thrive' sessions will run twice a week on a Tuesday and Thursday morning from 7:30am to 8:30am and cost £4.50 for two people, per session. The leisure centre provide a lifeguard/instructor to maintain pool safety and assist with water confidence and there will also be toys and floats available to use. These sessions have already proven to be hugely beneficial to my son Leo, and really help to regulate and ease his anxieties so that he can engage and concentrate fully once he gets to school. If you think you or anyone you know could benefit from these sessions, please contact either myself (Helen Disberry) or the leisure centre directly to find out more.

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

Diary Dates

Year 6 SATs meeting -
26 April 2.30pm

Drumming Workshop -
30 April

Class Photo - 2 May

Term Dates

May Bank Holiday
Monday 7 May

Summer Half Term
Monday 28 May -
Friday 1 June

Last Day of Summer
Term
Friday 20 July

First Day of Autumn
Term
Tuesday 4 September

Autumn Half Term
Monday 22 October -
Friday 26 October

Last Day of Autumn
Term
Wednesday 19 Dec

First Day of Spring
Term
Monday 7 Jan 2019

Spring Half Term
Monday 18 February -
Friday 22 February

Last Day of Spring
Term
Friday 5 April

First Day of Summer
Term
Tuesday 23 April

Message from the Thrive Team - As a school we work together with the Early Help For Mental Health Team (EH4MH) to ensure that our children are aware of the positive steps they can take to keep their brains and bodies healthy. The team suggest that there are 10 a day options for sustaining positive mental health that everyone (adults and children) should try to do. Over the coming weeks, we will list one of the '10 A Day' that we would like you to encourage your child to do on a daily basis. Number one on the list for this week is: 'talk about your feelings.' You may also be aware that the pastoral team have been going into the classroom delivering mental health and well being sessions. Last term we focused on 'kindness'. The focus over the next few weeks will be 'Resilience - getting through difficult times and bouncing back'. It would be great if you could encourage your child to talk about what they have learnt from the sessions. If you have any questions or would like to talk about mental health and well being further, please do not hesitate to contact Karen Moore (Pastoral Lead/Thrive Practitioner).

More Healthy Lunchbox Ideas - for a change why not try one of these fillings in a roll, wrap, pitta or sandwich:

Cheese and apple - mix grated cheddar cheese with grated apple, chopped spring onions, a squeeze of lemon and a little mayonnaise. Delicious with wholemeal bread or rolls.

Creamy smoked mackerel - remove the skin and flake smoked mackerel fillets, then mix with a little mayonnaise and Greek yogurt. Spread onto thick wholemeal bread and top with crisp lettuce leaves.

Heathcoat MCC - try Marmite, grated cheddar and sliced cucumber in a sandwich, crusty baguette or ciabatta roll, they'll either love it or hate it!



We were very sad to hear the news that Maggie Fasey who worked at Tiverton High for a significant number of years, passed away at the weekend. She played a large role in the transition for Year 6 pupils moving to the high school and will be sadly missed. Our thoughts are with her family at this difficult time.

SATs Question - taken this week from a Key Stage 2 Maths Reasoning paper for 2 marks.

The numbers in the sequence increase by 14 each time. Write the missing numbers.

82 96 124 138

Answer to last week's question - the sentence the uses the present perfect form is: My dog was very naughty, but since the classes he has been much better.

Wow Slips -

Amelia-Rose Phippen - has been a resilient rhino, eating her pasta all by herself, with no help at all and she even had a second bowl. She was also a resourceful raccoon when she got dressed by herself and was only asked once to do it. Well done!