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Friends of HPS

Forthcoming Events for your Diary

Cake Donations– The Friends would like cake donations (nut free) for the refreshment stall for Sports Day on 19th June. These can be brought on the day and handed in at the school office.

Summer Fete- Will be held on Friday 5th July at 3.15pm. If you would like to have a stall at the fete, please pick up a booking form from the school office. The Friends will be holding a meeting every Tuesday in the staff room at 2pm. All parents and carers are welcome to come along.

NEWS

Sports Day– Please can all children come dressed in their PE kits and wearing a t-shirt of their house colour for sports day on Wednesday. The park gate will be open at the start and end of the day and access to the school premises can be gained via the Broad Lane entrance throughout the day. Don't forget to bring along a picnic blanket or your own portable chair to watch the races. Refreshments will be on sale during the day so please bring along some pennies. Please refer to today's letter for all housekeeping rules so that everyone can enjoy a safe sports day.

The timings for the day are as follows:

9.15am—9.45am Nursery
9.45am– 11.15am Reception and Year 1
11.15am– 12.15pm Year 2 & Year 3
1.30pm– 3.00pm Year 4, 5 & 6

Please note that there will be no Jacket potato option on sports day.

Class Photos- Order forms were sent out last week for you to order class photos. Please ensure that your order is handed in by Wednesday 19th June. If you miss this deadline you will need to post your order direct to Tempest and include an additional £5 for the late order.

Class 4C – Just a reminder that the children from 4C need to bring in a toothbrush and toothpaste on Tuesday 18th June for their dental health lesson.

Learner of the week



FSDB Ella
FSG Poppy-Mai
1BA Murray
1P The whole class
2D Oran
2P Harry
3H Maisie H
3S Ellie-Mai
4C Bethany
4E Poppy
5F Bradley
5S Alex
6P Lucas
6W Aurora

Lunchtime Behaviour



FSDB Layla
FSG Wesley
1BA Joseph
1P Mason
2D Matilda
2P Neve
3H Ethan
3S Thomas
4C Ava
4E Ruby
5F Millie S
5S Lauren
6P Phoebe
6W Hayden

Best Attendance

5S – 99.1%





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Diary Dates



Sports Day
19th June

Term Dates



Last Day of Summer Term
Friday 19th July

First Day of Autumn Term
Tuesday 3rd September

Autumn Half Term
Monday 21st October –
Friday 25th October

Last Day of Autumn Term
Wednesday 18th December

First Day of Spring Term
Monday 6th January 2020

Heathcoat Heroes

The children below have all reached the very top of our learning behaviours and expectations system this week.

2D – Tiana & Cameron

3H – Maisie H

5F – Millie N, Jaxon & Millie S

6W – Libby C & Aurora

Suicide Bereavement Group- A group has been set up for families that have suffered a suicide bereavement, where we can talk and support each other. Just a friendly gathering with tea/coffee and cake! The group will meet at Moorhayes Community Association & Country House Bar & Restaurant, Tiverton in their back bar on Tuesday 25th June, 6.30pm until 9pm, for people from Tiverton and surrounding areas. For further information please call: 07815 951522 or email suicide.bereavement.group@gmail.com

Swimming Gala 2019- On Wednesday 12th June, 18 pupils from across years 4, 5, and 6 represented our school in the Tiverton Primary Schools Gala. A boy and a girl from each year group competed to win points in the three disciplines. - Freestyle, Breaststroke and Backstroke. At the end of the Gala, Heathcoat Primary School were declared the winners with a total score of 174 points. The children represented the school brilliantly, both in and out of the water, and the staff accompanying them were very proud of the effort and the behaviour they displayed. The team captains, Freddie and Phoebe, proudly collected the trophy which is now displayed in the school's trophy cabinet.



Congratulations to the following pupil who has demonstrated their building learning powers in various different activities outside of school.

5S - Jessica

Parents can share their child's wow moments regarding Building Learning Power by sending in a wow slip (available from the document stand outside the office).



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School Absence Procedures -As a Federation, we believe that in order for children to fully benefit from their education, quite simply, good attendance is crucial. Without good attendance the children miss lessons, vital learning and important information and they will not get the most out of their primary school experience. We work closely with the Education Welfare Officer to ensure that the school monitors pupils' patterns of attendance, informing parents/carers in writing of irregular attendance and arranging meetings with them if necessary. We are working hard to promote good attendance with all children.

With this in mind we would like to remind you of the schools procedure if your child is absent from school:

- If your child is unwell, you should contact the school office by 9.15am on the first day of the absence and telephone every day thereafter unless your child has a doctor's certificate.
- The school will contact you if your child is absent and no contact has been made. If no contact is made, we will continue to try to contact you and the other emergency contacts that you have provided us with.
- If after 2 days there has been no contact, the school may ring 101 and ask the Police to make a welfare call to your address.
- All requests for time off must be on the absence request form which can be found outside the school office and should be returned at least 2 weeks in advance. Any requests for absence will be assessed on a case by case basis.

As a parent/carer, you can demonstrate your commitment to your child's education by not allowing your child to miss school for anything other than an exceptional or unavoidable reason.

If you have any questions regarding attendance, please speak to Miss Higginson, Mrs Budden or Mrs Williams(in the school office).

Early May Bank Holiday 2020 – Change of Date- You may already be aware from recent media coverage that the decision has been made to move the date of the early May Bank Holiday next year. This is to coincide with the national celebrations for the 75th anniversary of VE Day. The bank holiday will move from **Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May** to form part of a three-day weekend of commemorative events. Apparently this has only happened once before – in 1995 - to tie in with the 50th anniversary celebrations for VE Day.

We realise that some parents may have been planning a long weekend away for the earlier date (4th May), however, this will now be a normal school day. If this change affects you and your child's attendance then the absence will need to be requested and approved in the normal way i.e. by submitting a request form to our school office. Any requests for absence will be assessed on a case by case basis.





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Calm Tools for Families- Open Minds UK offers emotional wellbeing support for families. Our personalised toolkit helps your child manage tricky times and become more resilient. Sessions cost £45 per hour in Bradninch and you take away lots of useful ideas and resources to use at home. It really helps! See website for testimonials.

Family Courses- Our Calm Tools for Families course will take place at Exeter Phoenix on 18th June, 25th June and 2nd July. Cost £80 for one adult and one child.

See website for more details: www.openmindsuk.org.uk

**ROTARY FAIR
& DOG SHOW**

Sunday 23 June | Midday - Late Afternoon
Adults 50p | Children FREE
People's Park, Tiverton

Enjoy Britain's Got Talent entertainer 'Nutty Noah' & local magician 'Stephen Lovering'

Plus ... Tiverton Town Band, Majorettes -
 The Diamond Twirlers, Beer Tent, Pizza
 Van, BBQ Food, Face Painting, Craft
 Demonstrations and Adult &
 Children's Games

<p>Tiverton Town Band 12.00pm - 1.00pm</p> <p>Magician 12.30pm - 1.30pm</p> <p>Dog Show 1.30pm - 3.00pm</p> <p>Nutty Noah 3.15pm - 4.15pm</p> <p>Parade of Champions 4.15pm</p> <p>The Diamond Twirlers 4.30pm - 5.15pm</p>	<p>Registration for Dog Show from 12.30</p>
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