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NEWS

Debt– As we have just over a week until the end of term, please could all parents clear any debts they have with the school in relation to school dinners, trips, breakfast club, after school club or nursery sessions. We are currently owed **£ 537** for school dinners by parents.

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day- Friday 13th December 2019- The time of year has come again when we get the chance to dress up in festive and fabulous Christmas jumpers to raise money to help children all around the world. You can come into school wearing a Christmassy jumper, and bring £1 to donate to Save the Children. Feel free to go as wacky as you like with your jumpers! But please wear normal school uniform with it. Looking forward to the festive fun and raising lots of money for this super charity.

Year 4,5 & 6 Carol Service-You are invited to attend our years 4,5 & 6 Carol Service, on Thursday 12th December 2019, 2pm at St Paul's Church, Tiverton. All parents/family members are welcome.

Lunchtime behaviour focus

We have been very pleased to see the children enjoying working on improving lunchtime behaviour. They are very keen to line up quickly and quietly on the KS2 playground, love showing examples of good table manners and either finishing all their lunch or scraping their plates clean so that there is no food that will block the kitchen sink!

The next week and a half will be spent reminding the children of all of the previous targets from the Autumn Term: This will enable children to practise all that they have learnt and earn lots of golden tickets.

Thought of the week

The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it!

Learner of the week



FSDB The Whole Class
 FSG The Whole Class
 1BA Jack
 1P Rosie
 2D Amelia
 2P Mileja
 4C Esme
 4E Jessie
 5F Lily Rose
 5S Lottie & Isabel
 6H Jimi
 6W Jessica B/B

Lunchtime Behaviour



FSDB Wyatt
 FSG Logan
 1BA Edith
 1P Jasper
 2D Kaitlyn
 2P Kesley
 3E Laiton
 3P Isabelle B
 4C Findlay
 4E Shanaya
 5F Lexie
 5S Hudson
 6H Finley
 6W Kieran

Best Attendance

FSDB, 2P & 6W
 100%



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Diary Dates



Year 4,5 & 6 Carol
Service
12th December

Term Dates



Last Day of Autumn Term
Wednesday 18th December

First Day of Spring Term
Monday 6th January 2020

Spring Half Term
Monday 17th February-
Friday 21st February

Last Day of Spring Term
Friday 27th March

First Day of Summer Term
Tuesday 14th April

Heathcoat Heroes

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

3P – Isabel W

5S - Liam

Christmas Market

A huge thank you to the "Friends" for organising and running the Christmas market along with members of staff. A large amount of work went into the preparations beforehand and on setting up the stalls. The children had been busy making things to sell during the week. Thank you to everyone who supported the market, it was a lovely atmosphere and got us all into the Christmas spirit. We raised an amazing £1178.58!

Goodbye

We will be saying goodbye Jill Channing on Wednesday 18th December when she retires. Jill has worked as a cleaner for the last 9 years as well as working in the kitchen. We would like to thank her for all her work and wish her all the best.

New staff

We would like to welcome Mrs Bartlett to the teaching assistant team. She will be working in Year 1.

School Uniform

Can we ask for your support in naming all your child's school uniform. It means that we can return any lost uniform to them and it also saves you money! The lost property box is once again overflowing with unnamed items of clothing. There will be selection of second hand uniform for sale at the school office this week. The money will go to the "Friends", who support learning opportunities for the children at HPS

Year 2 & 3 Christmas Show- Upon arrival for the performances on Tuesday 10th December at 2pm and Wednesday 11th December at 9.30am, please put any buggies under the Year 1 shelter and wait outside the Year 4 cloakroom door near the sensory garden. The entrance will be indicated by a sign.

Primary School Places for September 2020

If your child is due to start primary school in Devon in September 2020, the application process will close on 15 January 2020. It's easy to apply online at www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline or you can fill in a hard copy of the application form, which can be requested by calling our Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.



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Girls Futsal Competition

Congratulations to the year 5/6 and year 3/4 girls futsal teams and who competed against other schools at the Futsal competition at Tiverton High School. All the girls were extremely well behaved and played really well as a team, displaying good sportsmanship. The year 5/6 girls teams came 3rd and 6th out of the 7 teams competing. The year 3/4 team got through to the final and won a silver medal. Well done everyone.

Year 3&4 Girls Futsal



Year 5/6 Girls Futsal





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Funky Fun Dance Moves Club- with Vicky Baldwin is available to all year groups and will run on a Monday from 3.15 pm to 4 pm in the blue hall, from 13th January to 16th March. To book your child's place please email vicky.baldwin@live.co.uk or text 07866510567. Cost of the 9 sessions is £27 per child, cash or cheque to paid on collection after the 1st session on Jan 13th (**please do not send money into the school office**). This a fun, funky and relaxed club, open to all and no experience needed. This term the children will working towards a dance presentation in assembly.

Guitar Lessons Available- There are still places available for children to sign up for the spring term. The cost for each term is £50. Guitar hire is also available for a small fee. If you are interested in lessons, please contact Dan Maynard direct by email danmguitarlessons@gmail.com or call 07890311186.

Pantomime Workshop

On Thursday 28 November, a group of KS2 children enjoyed an hours Pantomime drama workshop with Lisa Hudson, education officer at the Northcott Theatre. She taught them some of the traditions of panto, such as the goodie coming on from stage right and the baddies coming on from stage left. She also taught them about the 'ghost scene', where people pretend not to see the threat and then one by one disappear from the stage in a humorous manner. On Monday 2nd December we took these children to the Northcott Theatre to see the Beauty and the Beast Pantomime. They were enthralled with the stage set, the acting, singing and dancing. They booed and hissed in all the right places and great fun was had by all.

