



Newsletter

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We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Absence reporting email

If your child is unwell, please contact the school office by 9.15am by telephone 01884 252445 or email attendance@heathcoat.devon.sch.uk, on **each day** that your child is absent. Please could we ask that you include the child's name, class and reason for absence (ie sickness).

Safeguarding

Safeguarding and Child Protection Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and all child protection concerns need to be acted on immediately. If you are concerned that a child may be at risk or actually suffering abuse please contact Demelza Higginson, Becky Budden, Hannah Gleeson or Mike Payne within school or alternatively if not in school hours please contact MASH (Devon County Council multi agency safeguarding hub) who are available to discuss your concern and advise 0345 155 1071. If we have any safeguarding concerns regarding your child, we will discuss these with you unless we feel that doing so would put your child at greater risk.



Learner of the week



- FSDB The whole class
- FSA The whole class
- 1B The whole class
- 1D The whole class
- 2CP Hazel
- 2SP The whole class
- 3E Wyatt
- 3K Lola
- 4C Charlie
- 4P Freya
- 5F Riley
- 5K Amelia R
- 6S Tammy
- 6F/C Ryan

Lunchtime Behaviour



- FSDB Joshua
- FSA Mia
- 1B Charlie
- 1D Effie
- 2CP Hazel
- 3E Cooper
- 3K Alfie
- 4P Toby & Peter
- 5F Ryan
- 5K Mason P

Best Attendance

1D – 98.5%



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Diary Dates



First day of Spring Term
Wednesday 4th January

Term Dates



Last day of Autumn Term
Friday 16th December

First day of the Spring Term
Wednesday 4th January 2023

Spring Half Term
Monday 13th February –
Friday 17th February

Last day of Spring Term
Friday 31st March

First day of Summer Term
Monday 17th April

Heathcoat Heroes

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

FSA – Toby 3E – Travis

4C – Orlaith, Matilda, Jonah,
Saffy, Lloyd, Willow, & Jesse

4P - Indy

BAKE SALE

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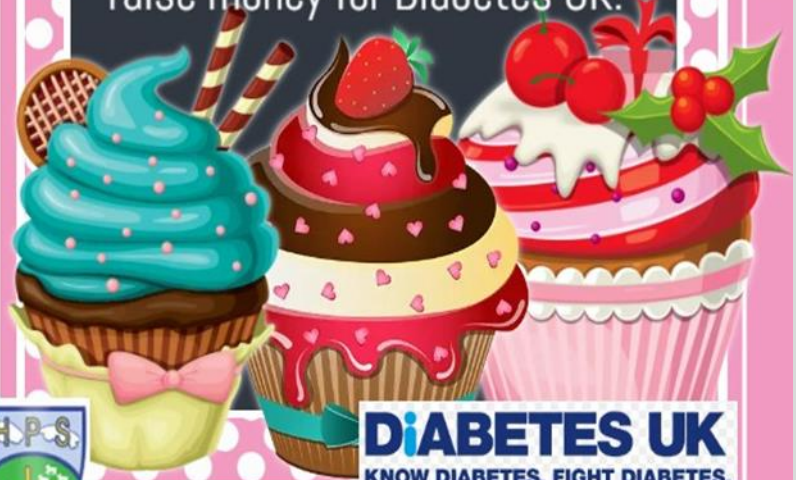
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Tuesday 13th December

3:00 - 3:30pm

Location: Outside the office

Run by our School Council to
raise money for Diabetes UK!



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DIABETES UK
KNOW DIABETES. FIGHT DIABETES.

Accelerated Reader Achievement

5F highest average quiz percentages



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Y6 Stand Against Violence Workshop

On Tuesday 6th December Year 6 completed a very engaging and informative workshop. The children learnt a powerful story about a young man from Taunton, who was murdered in an unprovoked attack. The children heard how the split-second decision made by the perpetrator effected the lives of both the friends and family members of the victim as well as the perpetrator. The children completed a drama-based session to appreciate how our body language and facial expressions can help us determine someone's mood or emotion. Two informative discussions to appreciate the real cost of violence and the impact on family and friends of the victim and perpetrator. Children feedback the similarities and differences that this crime had on all who were affected. In the afternoon they learnt how to recognise risks and how to stay safe along with understanding grief, loss and anger associated with revenge. Throughout the day, the children completed a reflective journal which they took home to share with their families. The Y6 children found this workshop opened their eyes to the serious nature of their actions when reacting to situations and the life changing consequences that this can cause themselves and others.





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Christmas at HPS





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Setting up new devices

We know that many children may be getting a new device (phone, tablet, laptop). It is important that they are set up from the start with safety controls so that you can keep your child safe online. Below are links to some website who provide advice on how to set up your child's device and how you can keep them safe online.

[Digital Parenting | Vodafone](#)

[Internet connected devices | NSPCC](#)

[Using parental controls \(thinkuknow.co.uk\)](http://thinkuknow.co.uk)



HPS Singers and Dancers Market Performance Friday 16th December

Children in the singing and dance clubs at HPS have been practising their songs and dances in preparation for their Christmas performance at the Pannier market in Tiverton on Friday 16th December so please come along and support them. They will be performing just at approximately 10.15/10.20am.

We would love to see lots of parents and friends of HPS there to cheer them on and really get in the Christmas mood!

End of the day

Please remember you need to collect each child from their classroom, rather than collecting all your children from one classroom.

EYFS nativity

Well done to all our children in EYFS for their wonderful nativity in St Paul's church last week. They had worked incredibly hard and were a credit to themselves, the school and their parents. It was great to be in front of a live audience again and we have received lots of positive comments from parents.