

'Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.'



HEYTESBURY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
18 October 2019



Dear Parents,

I am sure you would agree that we had a wonderful harvest celebration worship yesterday – well done to the staff and children. Many thanks for the harvest offerings you sent in for Warminster Foodbank – they were collected today.



The teaching and support staff attended Epi-pen training this week with the school nursing team. Please remember, we are a 'nut-free' school.

We are starting a new system for 'forgotten items' after half term eg lunch-boxes, coats, PE kit etc. We will place a box in the entrance foyer where you can leave the forgotten items; children in year 5 or year 6 will check the box at morning play and deliver any items so please make sure that if you leave something in, it is clearly named. Needless to say, we would encourage you to help your child, especially those in Badgers Class, to be as independent as possible so the items are not forgotten in the first place.

It's hard to believe we finish on Tuesday for half-term, though the children (and staff) are ready for a break! All staff will be attending a training day on Wednesday with Acorn Education Trust.

School restarts on Monday, 4th November. Our annual Remembrance Service will be on Friday 8th November. You are very welcome to join us at 10.45 by the memorial near the church (weather permitting – we may be in the church). Unfortunately, I am unable to attend this year due to an Acorn Education Trust meeting that I cannot miss – I will be thinking about the service whilst at the meeting.

Have a wonderful half term break.

Kind regards

Mrs Godfrey and Team



HEFA



HEFA met on Tuesday to begin plans for the Christmas Fayre. If you or a friend would like a table to sell a particular craft or hobby, please get in touch with one of the HEFA Committee (Simone Bennett, Katie Elliott, Sarah Hartshorn, Helen Rickards) or let the school office know. (Tables cost £10)

HEFA will meet again on Tuesday 12th November, The Red Lion, Heytesbury, 7.30 to finalise the Christmas fayre arrangements. Please do come along as 'many hands make light work'.

Hedgehogs Cake Sale

This will be on Friday 8th November after school – bring along your pennies and enjoy a sweet treat.

Its Mufti Day on Tuesday!

If your child would like to come to school in their own clothes on Tuesday, please donate 'a bottle' for the Christmas Fayre eg lemonade, wine, sauce, shampoo etc. Thank you.

House Challenge

It's our first house challenge on Tuesday, and with the current house points running very close, this challenge could be the make or break of who wins the house cup! All entries in the competition earn 5 points with a small prize for 'the best' entry in EYFS/Y1 and in KS2.



Badgers show off their sculptures to Mr Wilson, Heytesbury's local sculptor.



Bluebell
Sam M
Katie B

SCHOOL DIARY

October 22nd Mufti Day – please donate a bottle of something eg shampoo, wine, sauce

October 22nd – end of term 1 for children

October 23rd: Teacher training Day – school closed

November 4th: Otters to take Guy Fawkes to the 'lock-up'

November 8th: Remembrance Service by church 10.45

November 8th Hedgehogs cake sale

November 11th: Anti-Bullying Week

November 13th: NSPCC 'Speak out & stay safe' workshops with children

November 13th: online safety workshop for parents: 3.30 (childcare available)

November 15th Children in Need Day

November 22nd Open Day for 2020 intake

November 28th Stay & Play Session

November 29th: HEFA 'PJ or onsie day' – please donate a filled jar

December 6th Hedgehogs to celebration worship

December 6th: Disco

December 7th Church Christmas Bazaar

December 14th School Christmas Bazaar

December 9th – y5/6 netball tournament

THIS WEEKS ACHIEVEMENTS

EMERALD

RUBY

Seth

Freddie

DIAMOND

Pippa

Charlie

DIAMOND = SOLVING PROBLEMS

SAPPHIRE = KEEPING FOCUS MONSTER DISTRACTION

EMERALD = RESILIENCE/PERSEVERANCE

RUBY = SUPPORTING OTHERS

Maths Passports

Australasia: Australia - Charlie K, Ciaran

Asia: India - Millie

Globetrotter - Archie

Vacancy for Academy Council Parent Governors

Would you like to take an active role in supporting the Heytesbury Primary School and its students?

The Academy Council operates as a sub-committee of The Acorn Education Trust Board of Trustees.

As a member of the Academy Council this role is to both support and challenge the school. You will need to ask questions to help investigate how the school is progressing. Simply by asking key questions and listening to the responses, you can help.

Much like a Governing Body, the Academy Council's role is to:

- Ensure children learn in a safe environment and to the maximum of their ability
- Ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Hold the Head to account for the educational performance of the Academy and its students
- Promote the safety and wellbeing of students including behaviour, discipline and attendance.

You will be provided with training and support and would be expected to attend 4 evening meetings during the academic school year.

If you are a parent, grandparent or carer of a pupil(s) at Heytesbury Primary School and have the skills, time, commitment and discretion please contact Zoe Stockley, Governance Adviser, for more information.

Acorn Education Trust, c/o Kingdown School, Woodcock Road, Warminster, BA12 9DR.

Telephone: 01985 224266. Email zas@acorneducationtrust.com.

Learning Corner

Badgers:

PE Kits – a number of children do not have their PE kit in school when needed. We do outside games every Thursday and swimming on a Monday, though PE kits should be in every day.

Mr Wilson, Heytesbury's local sculptor, came to visit us yesterday. He was very impressed with the children's sculptures and said that he had been involved with several schools' sculpture projects but ours were by far the best he had seen!

In English, we wrote and edited our stories about a sculpture which had come to life.

Foxes:

This week in Foxes, we have been writing diary entries about a day during the Great Fire of London. The children have also created our own class diary about the Great Fire of London – ask the children what we did to make our paper look really old.

In maths, we have been recapping greater than, less than and equal to and have been problem solving to find different possibilities to complete a number sentence.

Otters:

This week we went out to the playground to create 'big art' with the items we had collected during our autumn walk.



A great time was had by all at our 'Stay and Play' session today.

Heytesbury School – Wednesday, 13th November, 3.25pm



O₂ 😊 NSPCC
Let's keep kids safe online

Our Online Safety Workshops for Parents

We want to help every family in the UK talk about and understand their children's online world and help keep them safe.

Online Safety Workshops for Parents

Our free workshops will give parents the skills and knowledge to understand the internet and technology as children do – from online games and cyber bullying, to setting up privacy settings and controls.

Will you join us and help keep all children safe online?

O2 and the NSPCC have joined forces in a mission to help all children and their families in the UK stay safe online.

Delivered by trained NSPCC staff and volunteers, the free workshops enable parents to come together to learn how to keep their children safe online.

Can you help us set up a parents' workshop?

We'd love your help in setting up a workshop at your local school to bring together a group of around twenty local parents. If you are interested please email schools@nspcc.org.uk with your name, contact details, position at the school, school name and LEA or board area.

To find out more about the O2 and NSPCC online safety partnership, please visit nspcc.org.uk/o2



O2 and NSPCC Online Safety Helpline

If you have a question about parental controls or concerns about a social networks, our Online Safety Helpline advisors are here to help.

Call **0808 800 5002** for free, available Mon–Fri 9am–7pm, Weekends 10am–6pm and Bank holidays 10am–4pm.