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**HEYTESBURY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**NEWSLETTER**  
**6 March 2020**



Dear Parents,

It's been an interesting week in regards to Coronavirus reports on the news. As a school, we receive daily updates from Acorn Education Trust as well as regular updates from the DFE and from Wiltshire Council. We will add any necessary information to our website in the news section (bottom left corner). In the meantime, we have talked to the children about handwashing and have also managed to pin down some anti-bacterial wipes; our caretaker, Mrs Bligdon, is thoroughly cleaning all surfaces and door handles each evening. Please can you ensure your child carries plenty of tissues in case they have a cold, so he/she can 'Catch it; Bin it; Kill it' as in the governments health advice posters. Thank you.

Next week, Y3 – Y6 will have a visit from Wiltshire Air Ambulance for some Emergency Awareness training. This will include:-

- Making a 999 call
- CPR
- Choking
- Recovery position
- Control of bleeding

We had hoped to run a house challenge linked to Mrs Kace's husband's current work in South Sudan. This would have included collecting certain items to send out to the children there, as they have very few day to day essentials such as clean clothing, pens, pencils. However, the army have had to introduce restrictions on postal packages, so this house challenge will not go ahead at this time. Instead, the School Council are developing a fund raising activity so that we can support the Wiltshire Air Ambulance as well as the Wiltshire and Dorset Air Ambulance Service.

It is Foxes' cake sale next Friday – don't forget your pennies after school. Any donations of cakes from Foxes Class should be left at the office on Friday morning. Please remember we are a "Nut free school", thank you.

Mrs Godfrey and Team

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# Please Wash Your Hands After Using The Toilet

Washing your hands properly should take about as long as singing "Happy Birthday" twice (around 20 seconds).

Remember to always dry hands thoroughly

Public Health Team 2019

**Wiltshire Council**



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Heytesbury dance troop preformed to ELO's 'All Over the World' at the 'Bath Dance Festival' this year. The children put on an amazing performance at Bath Forum. A special thanks for Mrs O'Neill for all her hard work and support on the day, to Caroline the 'Dance Lady' for a super routine, and to Mrs Hartshorn for supplying us with the equipment to stencil the children's t-shirts.



"Working together so all may flourish"

### SCHOOL DIARY

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March:** KS2 Emergency Awareness Training; Wiltshire Air Ambulance

**Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> March:** Foxes' cake sale

**Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> March:** Rev Trudy prayer group.

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March:** Y3 – Y6 athletics

**Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> March:** whole school skipping morning

**Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> March:** Book Fair begins

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March:** Parents Evening

**Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> March:** Final day of Book Fair

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**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March:** 'Stations of the Cross' with 'Open the Book'

**Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April:** Parents' 'Book Look' 3.15 – 3.45

**Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April:** last day of term 4

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April:** Teacher Training Day – school closed

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April:** start of Term 5

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April:** tickets for KS1 Bath Dance Festival go on sale

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April:** KS1 dance Club begins

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April:** Badgers' Cake Sale

### **THIS WEEKS ACHIEVEMENTS**

EMERALD

FLORA

ROSANNA

RUBY

BLUEBELL

CIARAN

DIAMOND

BELLA D

Bronze Star

ALEXIA

JEMIMA W

MATILDA

OSCAR R

CALLIE

DIAMOND = SOLVING PROBLEMS

SAPPHIRE = KEEPING FOCUS MONSTER DISTRACTION

EMERALD = RESILIENCE/PERSEVERANCE

RUBY = SUPPORTING OTHERS

### Maths Passports

Europe : Spain – Kyle

Europe : United Kingdom – Evalyn

Africa : South Africa - Pippa

## Learning Corner

### **Badgers:**

Miss Graham's math group - This term, we are learning all about decimals. Last week, we were beginning to learn about decimal equivalents to fractions and this week we have been taking lots of termly assessments. Back onto decimals next week though so, get ready to use your perseverance and resilience skills. We can do it!

In Jig-Saw (PSHE) we have considered roles within friendship groups – is there a leader? Is there a follower? Talk to your child about how they see themselves.

In English, we have continued to work on persuasive writing. Next week, we will begin to write our 'pitch letters' for the engineer competition. The children need to be able to write at least 3 reasons why their design should be made and each reason needs to be in detail. This will be a challenge, so once again, please help your child prepare for this writing. Thank you.

### **Foxes:**

Mrs Stevens has been off ill for some of this week. In her absence, Foxes have continued with their assessments in reading, writing and maths. In PE, they have taken part in circuits to improve their strength and overall fitness.

### **Otters:**

Miss Graham – In Otters, this term we have been learning about the characters in traditional tales. So far, we have learned about the 'baddies' in the stories of Jack and the Beanstalk and The Three Little Pigs. We have been using role play to develop our understanding of why the baddies did what they did. EYFS children have been retelling the stories by using masks and finger puppets. They have acted out their plays to the rest of the class and they have been extremely good and funny!

In maths, we have been finishing our learning about longer periods of time – months and seasons - and we are beginning to learn about money. The children have been role playing shops, recognising and ordering coins (in terms of their values) and using money to count in 1ps, 2ps, 5ps and 10ps. Please give your children opportunities to pay for items with money when they are shopping with you. So many children only get to see their parents using phones and cards now whilst shopping.

In PE, we are learning how catch, throw and roll accurately. In computing, we are learning about technology in the home and in school and the year 1s are learning how to use Scratch Junior.