

HEYTESBURY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 12 July 2019



Dear Parents,

What a busy week it has been!

On Monday, we had a visit from the author, C S Clifford. He spent time with the whole school answering the children's questions about being an author then shared a simplified explanation of time travel — some very willing participants helped him with that. He then introduced some of his books which are based around time travel.

After that, each class was set a writing challenge. As the children excitedly worked on this, Mr Clifford, visited each classroom and either read to the children (EYFS/Y1) or carried out some writing games. There was much laughter around the school but yet, lots of learning going on too.



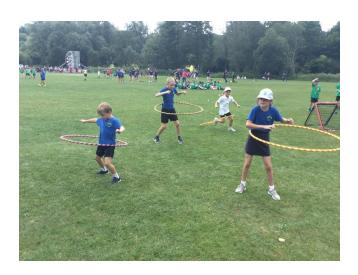
Tuesday was bump up morning – our new reception children came in and each year group 'bumped up'. This helps the children become familiar with their new teacher, should they be having a change, and also helps new friendships begin. A couple of our staff are

swapping round in September too – Mrs Barnes-Taylor will be working in Otters whilst Mrs Kace will be working in Badgers.

Yr 2 and KS2 had a wonderful day at Marlborough College on Wednesday. They opened the 'Swindon & West Wilts Games' by singing 'We are the World' performing to an audience of 1500. After that, it was a quick change into PE kit so that various new sport activities could be tried from hoola hooping to velcro football to climbing to mini trampolines. A fantastic experience for our children.









On Thursday, Badgers worked with 'Wiltshire Music Centre' and 'Prime Theatre' to create some drama work around the Greek myth of 'Echo and Narcissus'. The group have taken away our children's ideas to write and create a play about 'Narcissus' – this will then tour the country performing in schools. What an honour to be part of this project.









On Tuesday, the year 6 SAT results came through and there was much smiling and celebrating from children and staff alike as the results were absolutely outstanding. All our year 6 children attained the expected standard in reading, writing, maths and SPAG (spelling, punctuation & grammar). In addition, they achieved 100% greater depth in maths and SPAG, 75% greater depth in reading and 50% greater depth in writing. (greater depth means well above expected standards). Needless to say, we are thrilled – well done to the children for all their hard work.

Next Tuesday and Wednesday evening is our school production Roald Dahl's 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. Thank you for sending in your ticket requests. Due to fire regulations, we are only allowed an audience of 60 each evening, so we apologise in advance if we are not able to give you the number of tickets requested.

Enjoy the sunny weekend ahead.

Mrs Godfrey and Team

This term's Christian value: Responsibility

The time is always right to do what is right.

Martin Luther King Jr.

HOT SCHOOL LUNCHES FOR THE FIRST WEEK OF TERM

To ensure your child has a hot dinner please order hot food for the first week back after the summer break by 12 noon Wednesday 18th July at the very latest.

Parking

Please do not drive in to or park in Greenlands when dropping off or picking up. Thank you.

September Uniform & Bags

We'll be back to winter uniform in September – no summer dresses please. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE do not allow your child to bring a rucksack or large bag to school as children in Foxes & Badgers often do. There is no room for them on the coat pegs. Children need a book bag only plus a draw string PE bag. Lunchboxes do not need to be brought in a bag – just carry them, then they go straight into a box as the children come into school.

Pencil cases are not needed either - these are supplied in Badgers Class.

THIS WEEKS ACHIEVEMENTS

EMERALD

Olivia

RUBY India

DIAMOND

Bronze Star KAI

DIAMOND = SOLVING PROBLEMS SAPPHIRE = KEEPING FOCUS MONSTER DISTRACTION EMERALD = RESILIENCE/PERSEVERANCE RUBY = SUPPORTING OTHERS

Maths Passports

Asia: India - Alexia

SCHOOL DIARY — TERM 6

July 16th – Whole school performance 6.00pm July 17th - Whole school performance 6.00pm July 18th – Sports Day – please provide a packed lunch for your child July 22nd – Reserve Sports Day

July 23rd – Y5 & Y6 Acorn Education Trust

Sports Day

July 24th – Leavers' Service

July 24th – End of Term 6

September 3rd – Term 1

SPORTS DAY – Thursday 18th July

Starting at 9.30am until 12.30pm. Parents are very welcome to come along and cheer on the teams and stay for picnic lunch. (No hot dinners that day)

There will be three teams – your child will be notified today which team they are in (Armstrong, Peak or Aldrin) and which colour T-shirt (white, blue, or red) they will need. As our vision vessel is a rocket, the teams are named after astronauts. If you do not have the correct colour t-shirt, please do not worry – we will pin on a coloured band.

Year 6 attended the Dioscean Leavers Service at Salisbury Cathedral last week. During the service, Emily read the prayer to the whole Cathedral, whilst Grace carried our school banner.





Learning Corner

Badgers:

As you can see above, we had a great time with the author, the drama group and going to Marlborough College. Play rehearsals continue with some maths work on problem solving 'thrown in'.

Foxes:

On Wednesday Foxes really enjoyed their day at Marlborough college where they had a go at BMX biking, wall climbing and football darts. We even found 'Fox's Bridge'!

We have been creating word banks about the summer and then using these to write a summer acrostic poem.

On Monday we loved having Steve the author come to visit. Foxes used their imaginations to create a new world through a worm hole. Ask them about their world.

Otters:

In Otter's class this week we have been reading and singing "Oranges and Lemons". We learnt the playground game that Mrs Fulop used to play when she was a girl and talked about the history of the song. We will be writing our own questions and answers for the bells to ring next week. In maths we were recapping on doubling extending our knowledge of doubles and then later in the week we made weekly calendrers or a birthday bar chart.

We also spent time in our new classes this week. Ask your child about bump up day.