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HEYTESBURY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 29 November 2019



Dear Parents,

Another week has whizzed by, and believe it or not, we have begun our Christmas preparations. Just a reminder about our Christingle Service on Thursday, 12th December at 6.00pm. Otters children should arrive at 5.35 and the rest of the school at 5.45. Parents & family can enter the church from 5.50.

Thank you for all the jars you donated today for the tombola stall at the Christmas Fayre.

Christmas lunch will be on Wednesday 18th December. As usual, it will be a roast dinner with the traditional trimmings. The <u>deadline</u> for ordering is <u>12 noon on 11th December</u> on Wisepay.

The <u>deadline</u> for ordering hot meals for the **first week back after Christmas**, week commencing January 6th, **is 18th December**.

We had a visit from the CEO of Acorn Education Trust, Mrs Sara Edwards, this week. She was impressed with how well the children were working and behaving.

Our 'Stay and Play' session for pre-school children was well attended yesterday. It is always good to welcome new faces to our school. (Mrs Godfrey also loves the opportunity to play with the 'Kit Camp' castle!)

Mrs Fulop ran further phonic workshops for parents of EYFS this week – thank you to her and to the parents who attended. On Monday, parents of Y1/2 are welcome to observe a phonics session 0.05 - 9.35.

Have a restful weekend.

Mrs Godfrey & Team

This week in worship: Joshua 9 v1

As you know, we worked together as a school community to develop our school vision and this is represented as our rocket vision vessel. It was very clear that we all want our school journey to be an upward one, striving for the best that we can be. This is summarised in our strapline — 'working together so that all may flourish'.

This week in worship, the children have begun to learn about the Biblical teaching that underpins our vision;4
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you go.' Joshua 9 V1

Ask your child who Joshua was and why God gave him this message.

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SCHOOL DIARY

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

November 29^{th} – Hockey tournament

Warminster School.

November 30th – Church Christmas coffee morning with gifts, crafts, home-made produce.

December 6th Hedgehogs to celebration worship

December 6th: Disco

December 12th 6pm Christingle

December 14th School Christmas Bazaar December 9th – y5/6 netball tournament

December 18^{th} – Christmas lunch, order

before December 11th



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THIS WEEKS ACHIEVEMENTS

EMERALD

<u>Harry</u> Tallulah

RUBY

DIAMOND

Lilly

Bronze Star SILVER Star Gold Star

Arthur Olivia Charlie K

Lilly Hattie
Seth Ben
Charlie B Amelia

Katie B William

DIAMOND = SOLVING PROBLEMS

SAPPHIRE = KEEPING FOCUS MONSTER DISTRACTION

EMERALD = RESILIENCE/PERSEVERANCE RUBY = SUPPORTING OTHERS

Bronze star: 50 house points Silver star: 100 house points Gold Star: 200 house points Platinum Star = 400 House Points Diamond Star = 600 House points

Maths Passports

Europe : France Bella O

Learning Corner

Badgers:

Miss Graham's maths group have begun to learn about subtracting amounts using the formal column method (including decimals). Please give you your children a few calculations to allow them to practise their new skills. You could look at a weekly shopping bill and ask them to subtract the amount (including pennies) from a higher total eg £80.00 – £67.45. We have also been adding amounts using the column method so perhaps they could be encouraged to work out your monthly bills. It is always useful for children to see how they will be using their skills in real life and why they are important to learn.

Mrs Godfrey's group have been revising how to divide by 10, 100 & 1000 as well as how to divide by 1 and 2 digit numbers.

Foxes:

This week in Foxes, we have finished writing our stories and have spent time with green pens editing our writing. The children have been working really hard on completing assessments for maths, reading and spelling, punctuation and grammar.

In RE, we have been learning about the story of Jesus' baptism and this week we learnt about what happens at a Christian baptism.

Otters:

It was lovely to see so many parents in our phonic lessons over the last week. The EYFS children have been learning to read and write j in words. We also attempted to write captions and labels containing the letters and sounds we have worked on to date. The Year 1 children completed their fact files on Diwali. In phonics, they learnt to read some of the split digraphs eg the "ie" sound in like. In Maths, we have all worked on our addition with the EYFS children counting all the objects in 2 groups. The Year 1 children are learning different strategies, such as counting on or using a number line, to add 1 and 2 digit numbers within 20. In RE this week we reminded ourselves that all adults were babies once. This is in preparation for linking our knowledge of Jesus as an adult to the Nativity.