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# Heytesbury C of E Primary School News

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Head Teacher: Miss Elson

Dear Parents,

Welcome back. I hope that you have had a super half term break. I have been very impressed with how the children have come back to school after the break. Walking around I have seen some really positive learning behaviours.

This week we have started our new maths and reading groups. These will support children in smaller year groups to make friends and work with children outside of their class. It will also support the transition of year one pupils into year two. Most importantly it will allow for an improved level of teaching with increased opportunities for TA support and differentiation ensuring that all children are supported and taught at an age appropriate level.

Due to the current increased numbers of Covid cases across Wiltshire we are not able to invite parents into school for our whole class worships or for parents evening. Due to this the teachers will be making phone calls home for each of the pupils in their classes over the next two weeks.

As you are aware we have got a lot of work to do in order to ensure that the school is meeting the standards set out in the new Ofsted framework. We are currently working through the targets laid out for us from the schools most recent Ofsted report.

One of these areas to develop is as follows:

"Some pupils in key stage 2 are not reading regularly or choosing books wisely. Leaders must monitor reading for every pupil more carefully and hold to account teachers who are not complying with school policy"

To address this we have:

- Put in place the 50 recommended reads for each year group, these can be found in your child's home school book or homework diary.
- Set clear expectations for reading across the school
- Sorted the group so the children can have whole class guided reading with books appropriate to their level
- Set clear expectations for the planning and teaching of reading across the school

Safeguarding will always remain our number one priority in school. The Department for Education sets out the legal requirements that schools must follow to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people under the age of 18 within a document called Keeping Children Safe In Education (KCSIE). It is updated annually and the new version comes in to effect every September. KCSIE 21 is now in force and has had a number of changes and additions. These are predominantly in the areas of:

- Peer on Peer Abuse
- Safer Recruitment
- Premises
- Managing allegations and low level concerns
- Online Safety
- Greater emphasis on Child Sexual Exploitation and Child Criminal Exploitation

ALL of our staff receive annual safeguarding training and regular updates on safeguarding throughout the academic year. Our staff have all received training on the changes within KCSIE 21 and have read the appropriate sections of the updated document. Our curriculum has also had some tweaks to reflect the changes within KCSIE21.

If you have any questions or concerns about safeguarding, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for all your help and support.

Miss Elson



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#### House Points



Mars: 75 Points

Jupiter: 68 Points

Mercury: 46 Points

This week's winners are Mars.

Congratulations to: Ella, Rudi, Nancie and Matilda who have reached 50 house points earning them their bronze house point award.

#### Values Champions:

A huge well done to these children who have been picked out for showing our Christian

Values this week.

##### **Otters:**

Catherine Page for perseverance in writing.

Lillie Cane for courage fitting back into school after the holidays.

##### **Foxes:**

Leon for always being ready to learn

Isabella for using fantastic vocabulary in her writing.

##### **Badgers:**

Kyle for excellent and sustained effort in his learning.

Harry for super effort in his learning, making sure he manages his distractions



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### **Birthdays:**



**Katie and Dylan**

### **Lunches:**

Please remember to order your child's lunch options by 12pm on Wednesday 10th November for w/c 15<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Christmas Shoe Boxes:**

It is that time of year again. The Christmas Box Appeal flyers are available from the school reception if you would like to make one at home. We will also be collecting items to make some class Christmas shoe boxes so that everyone can get involved. We will make as many as we can with the things that are donated.

Donations need to be brought into school by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November and the shoe boxes will be collected from the school on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

### **Design a Christmas Fayre Poster Competition**

HEFA are inviting all the children to design a poster to advertise the Christmas Fayre. They will need to include the following information:

Name: Heytesbury School and Church Christmas Fayre

Date: December 4th 2021

Time: 10-2

Where: Heytesbury Primary School

The poster needs to be produced on A4 paper and entries given in no later than the morning of Friday November 12th. There will be prizes for best EYFS/KS1 and KS2 poster. We look forward to seeing your entries.





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### IQ CARDS – CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER 2021

This term we are delighted to be participating in the Christmas fundraiser with IQ Cards. The funds that we raise through your purchases will be used to benefit the school.

Your child has brought home with them the amazing design they have created. IQ Cards can print this design onto high quality Stationery including Greeting Cards, Postcards, Gift Wrap & Sticky Gift Labels. Also, some fun and affordable gifts: Chocolate Bars, Mouse Mats, Fridge Magnets & Keyrings (See the Leaflet that has also been sent home for visuals / product info.)

Your child's name and design will be printed onto all the products for that personal touch!

On the reverse of their design please can you fill in the order form - check your child's name is spelt correctly and is exactly how you would like it printed onto the products & clearly fill in the quantity of each product that you would like to order.

Your Payment must be made to the school / nursery with the order as per the instructions on the sheet.

All order forms with payment must be returned by Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November

The quality and price of these products is fantastic and they are perfect to give to friends and family, please support the school by ordering.

Any queries please contact Camila Brewer: [camillabrewer12@gmail.com](mailto:camillabrewer12@gmail.com)

### **Dates for your diary (including provisional dates):**

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November- Remembrance service (at the Heytesbury War Memorial)

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November- Foxes Class Bake Sale

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November- Pupil Flu Immunizations

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Bikeability (for year 6) – more details coming soon.

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December- Carols at St Johns

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December- Christingle Service

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December- School Christmas Lunch



Warminster Lions Santa Fun Run: **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November, Warminster Town Park 10 – Noon, £2 per person or £5 per family. Medals and Prizes for all, Pay at the start**

Posters around town and more details on Facebook.

The Warminster Foodbank would like to thank Heytesbury School for their donations of 64.5Kgs of food.