

'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 C E Primary School Newsletter



16th July 2021

Dear Parents,

You may remember, that a very long time ago, I told you about a fence that would be installed during the summer holidays. I also informed you that I hoped to get a play trail installed too – this was a much tougher challenge that I had imagined! I did not know it took soooo long to get quotes from companies. In addition, companies are now having trouble getting materials! However – we now have a result!

Year 4 had the responsibility of looking at the three quotes and choosing the one we would order. It was very close between two particular companies but we have gone for the one below. I am hoping the play trail will be installed in the autumn term – it will run alongside the playground, within the new fence. Unfortunately, I will not be here in the autumn to see the result, but maybe I will be allowed back for a visit.



Year 6 Leavers Service

This will take place on Thursday, in church and commence at 9.30. As you know, Acorn Trust has instructed schools to continue with Covid measures until the end of term, so we would ask that masks are worn in church and that you maintain social distancing from other families. Badgers and Foxes Class will attend. If a Y6 child has a sibling in Otters Class, they are also welcome to attend – please can you collect the younger sibling from school at 9.20 and look after her/him in the church, then return to school – this is to stop the crossing of bubbles for staff.

“Working together so all may flourish”

In September, we are hoping that 'things go back to normal, for example, coming to school in school uniform, all children starting and ending the school day at the same time etc. You will receive a letter with more details.

Enjoy the sun – don't forget the sun cream. 😊

Mrs Godfrey & Team

The last day of term is Thursday 22nd July.
The children return on Thursday 2nd September

MESSAGE TO RECEPTION PARENTS FROM SCHOOL NURSE

As you will be aware your reception aged child/ren has been offered a vision screen in school in the last term. We apologise that we have had a technical delay in getting the results letters out to you in the timely way we would normally have done. We are in the process of prioritising and sending out the response letters. If your child requires a further screen you will be receiving a letter in the next couple of weeks explaining how to access the further screen from a local optician. If your child does not require a further screen, you will receive a letter to confirm this in due course. If you have any concerns about your child's vision in the meantime please don't hesitate to make a free appointment with your local high street optician.

If you would like to discuss further or have any queries please don't hesitate to contact the school nursing service via our Single Point of Access on 0300 247 0090 option 2.

Best wishes
School Nursing service

GOODBYE

Today we said goodbye to William, who is off to Warminster School. Many thanks to the Gerring family for their generous donation of a bench which will be enjoyed by both staff and children in the outside play area.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS SERVICE

This will be held in the St. Peter's and St. Paul's Church in Heytesbury High Street on Thursday 22nd July at 9.30am.

ARRIVAL AND END OF DAY PROCEDURE FOR TERM 1

From 2nd September children should arrive at school from 8.45am and be in class starting their learning by 9.00am.

Badgers and Foxes will arrive and leave through the main entrance via Isobel's Garden. Otters children should be brought round to the back of Otters class by the blue gate.

School will finish at 3.15pm for all pupils.

This week's achievements

Maths Passports:

Australasia : New Zealand – Millie
Australasia : Papua New Guinea – Maya
Asia : China – Henry P-W
Africa : Madagascar – Sebastian
Africa : South Africa - Isabella

SAPPHIRE
Henry

RUBY
Millie
Elsie

DIAMOND
RUDI

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

PGL Fleece

If you have not yet returned the school fleece following PGL, please can you do so as soon as possible. Thanks.



HARRIET
TEDDY

SWIMMING AND TRANSPORT

As you know we have tried to keep the cost of the swimming transport to a minimum by arranging a bus to the pool one way only and have asked parents to collect their children from Kingdown Sports Centre after swimming.

We have heard from two of our parents that they would struggle to do the pick up from Kingdown due to work and other commitments. We are asking if any local parents would be willing to offer to collect these children from swimming with their own and bring them back to the school/village.

It would be a pity if we have to arrange a return coach as it would significantly increase the cost to all parents. Please let Mrs Burnard know if you are able to help. Many thanks.

LEARNING CORNER

BADGERS:

The children have been writing about their own invented creatures based on the research they carried out about Ancient Greek beast. I am glad they are made up, as some are quite scary!

We have continued working on geometry in maths.

FOXES:

In maths year 3 have been learning about parallel and perpendicular lines. The children searched outside for objects and sketches these into their books to show the different lines. Year 2 have been revising 3D shapes, finding fractions of shapes and using bar models to find fractions in word problems and RUCSAC.

In English the children have been retelling in writing the story of a jungle boy and a chameleon on a hunt.

OTTERS:

This week, in Otters class, we used the book "Ruby's Worry" to inspire us to say and write sentences using adventurous vocabulary. In maths, we learned about capacity using the words full, empty and half-full. In art, we continued our travels around the world and made snakes from South America, and then native American art using symbolic animals. We discussed all the things we have learned as we grow up and that every time we learn something new we change a little bit.

On Wednesday we will be having an end of term celebration in Otters class. Children may wear their own clothes to school. Please ensure your child is dressed for the weather as it may be very hot on Wednesday.

See below for a list of holiday activities taking place at Trowbridge Library

Summer Holidays 2021

Saturday 24th July: Super Totes

Celebrate the Tokyo Olympics with our sports-themed tote bag decorating workshop. Suitable for ages 5+, under 8s must be accompanied by an adult. The workshop costs £2 per person (which includes a bag), pay on the day. *Sessions at 10.30, 11.30, 1.30 and 2.30. Tickets issued from 10am for morning sessions and from 1pm for the afternoon sessions.*

We have a pre-bookable quiet session at 9.30 – call 01225 751339 or email david.birks@trowbridge.gov.uk to book.

Wednesday 28th July: Sporting Mobiles

Join us for our FREE Olympic-inspired mobiles workshop, suitable for ages 5+, under 8s must be accompanied by an adult. *Sessions at 10.30, 11.10, 11.50, 1.30, 2.10 and 2.50. Tickets issued from 10am for morning sessions and from 1pm for the afternoon sessions. Pre-bookable quiet sessions at 9.30 and 3.45 – call 01225 751339 or email david.birks@trowbridge.gov.uk to book.*

Wednesday 4th August: Old-Fashioned Olympics

Feeling sporty? Come along to Trowbridge Museum's Old-Fashioned Olympics and try your hand at bagatelle, hopscotch, shove ha-penny and more. There's something for everyone today and laurel wreaths all round. Suitable for all ages, under 8s must be accompanied by an adult. *Drop-in from 10.30 – 2.30.*

Friday 6th August: Ancient Greece Family History Day

Discover the world of Ancient Greece, the home of the first Olympic games, in our fun and FREE family history day. Crafts, challenges and dressing up. Suitable for ages 8+. *Drop-in from 10.30 – 3.30.*

Tuesday 10th August: Staycation Scrapbooks

Come and make a scrapbook to record all your summer staycation memories in. This simple but clever craft is suitable for ages 5+ and is completely FREE. *Sessions at 10.30, 11.30, 1.30 and 2.30. Places can be reserved in advance by calling 01225 751339 [or via Ticketsource](#) – any unreserved places will be made available on the day.*

Friday 13th August: Tie Dye Tee Shirts

Join us for some chilled out tie-dyeing. Bring a t-shirt of your own then knot it, twist it, tie it and dye it and take home something unique (and a bit damp!). FREE. Suitable for ages 5+, under 8s must be accompanied by an adult. *Sessions at 10.30 and 1.30. Places can be reserved in advance by calling 01225 751339 [or via Ticketsource](#) – any unreserved places will be available on the day. Please bring your own t-shirt as they are not provided.*