

'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



30 April 2021

Dear Parents,

Thanks to the many parents who have signed up to Parents' Evening next week – next time it will be an electronic booking system (fingers crossed). If you have not yet made an appointment, please email or phone Mrs Burnard fb@heytesbury.wilts.sch.uk (she is not full time) and she will book you in.

Parent Evening appointments are all on TEAMS – there are no telephone meetings, Although we did this last time, we found it blocked up the phone ie no-one else could telephone out or in (we only have 1 line) and that as only 1 teacher could telephone at a time, parents evening had to be drawn out over several days which impacted on other school activities eg clubs, meetings etc. If there is a genuine reason why you can not use TEAMS, please email the class teacher and we will try to arrange something. However, it is unlikely that your discussion can be next week.

Next term, in our PSHE lessons, all classes will be learning about the theme of 'Changing Me'. For both Foxes and Badgers, this is the first step into our Sex Education programme. A separate letter will be sent to the parents of Foxes and Badgers – this details what will be taught in term 6.

You should have received, via email, this term's Parent Planner' and 'Knowledge Planner' both of which give information about what your child will be learning this term. It would be so beneficial for your child if you could talk with them each week about they have been learning.

Next week, we will be having a 'full lockdown' practice. This is part of our approach to safeguarding ie if there were a vicious dog on the playground, the children, and staff, need to know what to do to keep safe. Class teachers will talk to their children about the practice before it takes place.

We do hope everyone is well. Have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend.

Mrs Godfrey & Team

This term's Core Christian Value: Friendship
Encourage one another and build each other up.
1 Thessalonians 5 11

This week in Worship, we have reflected upon how friends can encourage us to persevere when things get tough as well as give us the confidence to try new things.

“Working together so all may flourish”

Bluebell and Oscar took part in a community litter pick at the weekend.



PGL

Thank you to Badgers Parents for liaising with us on this. We have 28 children going, if we get the 'go ahead'. We can not now accept any additional children. Mrs Burnard will email each parent in the next couple of weeks in regards to who needs to pay what money. We can not currently accept payments just in case the Government's roadmap does not progress, however, the total cost of the trip is £230.

We will also send out a kit list as soon as we know if it is 'all stations go'.

NO NUTS or SEEDS

A reminder that we are a nut free school as we have two children with severe nut allergies. One of the children has also a seed allergy, so please, no seeded bread. Thank you.

This week's achievements

Silver star



Matilda
Leon

EMERALD

Lily H
Flora

DIAMOND

Isaac

RUBY

Freddie

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



OLIVIA
SIENNA

NEW ONLINE PAYMENT SYSTEM

Over the next few weeks we will be replacing Wisepay with Plus Pay provided by Parent Mail. Details of your log in will be sent out by email separately. We hope this new system will be a lot more user friendly and straight forward.

LUNCH

We are continuing to offer a sandwich packed lunch for the foreseeable future so if your child is not keen on the hot menu on a particular day you will be able to order a sandwich lunch as an alternative consisting of a sandwich or wrap, fruit, yogurt and cookie. Please order on Wisepay and then email Mrs Burnard with choice of filling (ham, cheese, tuna, egg).

Going forwards, when we are fully operational with Plus Pay it will be possible to order the fillings on the system.

Heytesbury Village Duck Race

The annual village Duck Race is back! It will be on Saturday, 26th June. The school usually has a refreshment stall at this event – tea, coffee, crisps, hot dogs – which raises a considerable amount of money for the school. However, as this is PGL weekend, several staff will be in The Isle of Wight. Would you be able to help? If so, please let Mrs Burnard know asap. Thanks.

LEARNING CORNER

BADGERS:

In English, we did some planning for diary writing linked to a character in our class reading book, 'Orphans of the Tide'. We gathered effective vocabulary and considered how the character would feel at different points and how we could 'show' this rather than 'tell'.

In geography, we have been learning about the re-generation of an area of London in preparation for the 2012 Olympic Games. Did you know that the regeneration and sustainability plan continues until 2030? Ask your child what the words re-generation and sustainability mean.

FOXES:

In Geography this week, Foxes have been learning about the Polar region. We used a globe and atlas to identify Antarctica and the Arctic and compared the two. Foxes know that they are in the Polar climate zones and this week expanded their vocabulary and talked about the polar region as part of the tundra biome.

During RE, we have been learning about what Jews do to stay committed to God. The children watched a clip about a Jewish family and their tradition and beliefs and compared them to what Christian people do.

In PE this week, Foxes have been learning how to control a tennis ball with a tennis racquet. This was much harder than they had realised!

OTTERS

In Otters this week we are reading the book "Penguins". We have also shared our own knowledge about penguins. The year 1 children began to write questions for their own penguin books; they also designed the front cover of their books. In Phonics, the EYFS children were assessed on their knowledge of the sounds taught to date. Then we began to learn to read and spell words containing consonant blends e.g. torch the blend is rch. In Maths the EYFS children learned to find 1 more or 1 less than any number to 20 using objects or a number line. The year 1 children derived number bonds and related subtraction facts for 20. Some children identified the link with bonds to 10. In PSHE we discussed the qualities of a good friend and how we could be good friends. In RE we learned that Jewish people celebrate Shabbat weekly with a family meal, visiting the synagogue and no work.