



Congratulations to the following children who have impressed me with their wonderful work and attitudes since the last newsletter:

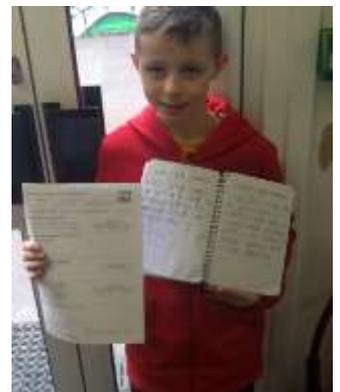
- Kieran in YR for writing independently and showing a good attitude to learning
- Vlada in Y4 for excellent progress in maths
- Rocco in Y2 for great vocabulary and beautiful writing
- Lucas in Y2 for concentrating well and producing some very good writing
- Lucia in YR for creative and focussed learning making her own fish tank
- Emily, Olivia C, Imogen and Harrison in Y6 for brilliant writing about xenotransplantation
- Ruby, Thomas, Kyrah, Freyah, Matthew C, Mason and George in Y4 for excellent learning logs about noise pollution
- Zack H and Toby in Y4 for excellent persuasive letter-writing about homelessness
- Arnie in Y4 for beautiful descriptive writing
- Yasmin, Isabella F, Alfie H and Kade, Willow, Jensen, Lana, Theo, Hannah and Katie in Y2 for stunning fractions homework
- Lexie Q in Y3 for practising her reading at home and moving up a fantastic 7 levels in just a few months.
- Lily and Arnie in Y4 for practising their story-writing at home

Well done to them all!



Super Star Reader

Well done to Henry in Y5 for setting out on a mission to improve his reading. Together with his teacher and his Mum, he came up with a plan, and over the last few months has read every day and completed a fantastic journal. As a result he has moved up an impressive 8 levels and is now a free reader. Well done, Henry!



Term Dates 2018 / 2019

The Term and INSET dates for next academic year have now been set and are published on the school website. They are as follows:

| | Starts | Ends | |
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| Term 1 | Mon 3 rd Sept 2018 (INSET) Term starts for children Tues 4 th Sept 2018 | Fri 26 th Oct 2018 | 8 weeks |
| Term 2 | Mon 5 th Nov 2018 (INSET) Term starts for children Tues 6 th Nov 2018 | Fri 21 st Dec 2018 | 7 weeks |
| Term 3 | Mon 7 th Jan 2019 | Fri 15 th Feb 2019 | 6 weeks |
| Term 4 | Mon 25 th Feb 2019 | Fri 5 th April 2019 | 6 weeks |
| Term 5 | Tues 23 rd April 2019 | Fri 24 th May 2019 (INSET) Term ends for children Thurs 23 rd May 2019 | 5 weeks |
| Term 6 | Mon 3 rd June 2019 | Tues 23 rd July 2019 (2 x INSETS) Term ends for children Fri 19 th July 2019) | 7 weeks 2 days |

Staffing News

As you know, Mr Laken resigned earlier this year to take on a Headship after Easter. For personal reasons, he changed his plans and left earlier than anticipated. Mr McCutcheon left at the end of last term to take up a new post in Devon. Following a process of leadership re-structure and internal interviews, I am delighted to announce the following new appointments:

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| Hannah Grant Deputy Head Teacher | Mark Inskip Assistant Head / SENDCo |

Grant is out of class Tues-Fri.

Mr Inskip will be your contact for any issues relating to Children with Special Needs or attendance. He is out of class Mon morning, Tues and Wednesday.

For all other issues, please see Ms Fredrickson (Head Teacher) or Miss Grant (Deputy). Miss

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| Mr Gabb will be teaching Y5G Tues-Fri for the rest of the year | Miss Bowman has started as Class teacher in Reception (now YRB). |

Look at Our Fabulous Homework

The learning logs and half term homework continue to impress - thank you so much for all your support with these. Here are a few examples:



Fractions Exploring in Y2

Catalonia Research in Y3 and Noise Pollution posters in Y4



Star Writers' Tea Party



Well done to all the star writers who were invited to the tea party at the end of last term:

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| YRM | Archie | Brilliant sounding out and great vocabulary - writing in whole sentences |
| YRBH | Laila | Independent writing - great sounding out |
| Y1B | Harry R | Excellent sentences with joined handwriting and brilliant spelling |
| Y1I | Joseph | Picnic tea - gruesome ideas and amazing spelling |
| Y2T | Colby | Mr Grinling story - fantastic sentences with powerful vocabulary |
| Y2BH | Evie | Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch story - excellent handwriting, great adjectives and spelling |
| Y3H | Fletcher | Space story with excellent descriptions |
| Y3M | Freya | Little Red Riding Hood parody - complex sentences and excellent vocabulary |
| Y4T | Grace | Well-structured book review |
| Y4P | Ruby | Persuasive letter to Argos - formal vocabulary and sophisticated style |
| Y5C | Ruby | Persuasive letter to parents for donations - formal style and persuasive tone |
| Y5G | Oliver R | Persuasive letter - very sophisticated style and amazing formal vocabulary |
| Y6GB | Ellie | Xenotransplantation explanation - excellent structure, formal vocabulary and sophisticated style |
| Y6M | Jake | sophisticated style |



Maths Champions

Well done to all the maths champions who were selected for last term's competition and congratulations to 6M who were overall winners



Change of School Dinner Price

Now that Chartwells has taken on the catering contract, the price of school dinners is now £2.05.

Book Week

We have a range of activities planned for next week to celebrate book week and encourage the children to enjoy and share their reading. On Thursday 1st March, World Book Day, they are invited to dress as their favourite book character (preferably bringing a copy of the book that features that character with them on the day). The Y6 learning to lead English team will be looking for the most creative and effective costume and have prizes for the winners (new books of the winners' choice). Please don't feel you have to spend a lot of money on buying full costumes - there are a lot of cheap and simple ideas that work just as well and there are plenty of ideas and suggestions online.

At 5pm on Thurs 1st, we are holding 'books at bedtime' again - children are invited to come back to school in their dressing gowns and slippers (they can bring a teddy if they wish!) and we will provide hot chocolate and read them stories. Please note children must be accompanied by an adult for this.

On Friday 2nd, we will be holding a 'mastermind competition' based on a given book - you should have received the information on this via seesaw for your child's class. If not, please ask the class teacher.

Fundraising for Jenson

As many of you know, Jenson in Y1 uses a wheelchair and his family are fundraising to adapt their home to help him get around more independently. If you would like to support this campaign, please visit their just giving web page at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/jensonswish
As a school, we will be supporting the campaign on Disabled Access Day - we will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 9th March. Children can wear what they like, in exchange for a £1 donation to the campaign.

Mobile Phones in School

Just a reminder that children are NOT allowed mobile phones in school. If they need them for their journey home, they must hand them in to the office and collect at the end of the day. Any phones seen in school will be confiscated and kept in the office for parents to collect. Thank you for your support.

E-Safety

It has come to our attention that a number of children are accessing social media sites and computer games that are not legal or appropriate for their age. We talk to them regularly about this in school and had lots of discussion about it during e-safety week. Please remember to be vigilant and check your child's settings and usage regularly. The NSPCC website has a detailed guide for parents which you may find useful (www.nspcc.org.uk)

Lunchtime Vacancy

We still have vacancies for lunchtime supervisors - if you or anyone you know might be interested, please ask office staff for an application form.

Governor Vacancies

We are looking for people with specialist skills and contacts in media and publicity or with a background in computing and technology to join our governing body. If you may be interested, or know of anyone who might be, please contact Ms Fredrickson.



Sports Update

5/6 Athletics- West of England Champions

Following their two heats in December, 20 of our Year 5/6 children took part in the West of England Athletics Finals at UWE.

The standard was exceptionally high, with the best 12 teams across the West taking part. Incredibly, Headley Park were announced as winner for the second year running.

To win this competition is incredibly difficult and is testament to how much hard work these children have put in since September. They have given up break/lunchtimes coupled with hours of after school sessions, just to improve on small details of their performance - as a school we are hugely proud not just of their achievement, but also their teamwork and level of commitment.

Y5/6 Boys' Football - South Bristol Champions

Following three weeks of football at Merchants Academy (24 games), our two teams amazingly managed to finish in 1st and 2nd place, remaining unbeaten. This meant they qualified for the South Bristol Finals at SBSC.

Both teams once again performed to a really high level. One of our teams narrowly missed out on the semi-finals, with the other eventually winning the final after a penalty shootout against Waycroft. As a result, the side will now compete in a citywide tournament at Ashton Gate Stadium in May.



A huge well done to both teams on their efforts, as well as the parents and family who came to support over the period - they had to wrap up warm at times!



Silver Award for Headley Park Primary

Modeshift STARS is the national school awards scheme that has been established to recognise schools that have demonstrated excellence in supporting cycling, walking and other forms of sustainable travel. We are only the 2nd school in Bristol to have achieved the silver award. Congratulations to Mr. Mountjoy for all his hard work on this and to all the children, staff and parents who have supported this campaign. Next stop - gold!

Dogs on site

Please note dogs are NOT allowed on the school site, including the field and playground. Please do not bring them with you when dropping off or collecting children.

Key Dates Term 4

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| 6 th Feb - 2 nd March: | Book Week |
| Thurs 1 st March: | Dress as a Book Character |
| Thurs 1 st March: | Books at bedtime 5-6pm |
| Thurs 1 st March: | Y2 Trip to SS Great Britain |
| Fri 2 nd March: | Mastermind Reading competition |
| Fri 9 th March: | Non-Uniform Day for Jenson's Campaign (Disabled Access Day) |
| 12 th - 16 th March: | Y2/Y6 Parents' Evenings |
| Tues 20 th March: | Y4 Fruit music workshop |
| Thurs 22 nd March: | Y1/Y3/Y4/Y5 Annual Reports due out to Parents |
| Thurs 22 nd March: | House Captains' Easter Bake Off (in aid of sports relief) |
| Fri 23 rd March: | End of Term 4 |