

Newsletter

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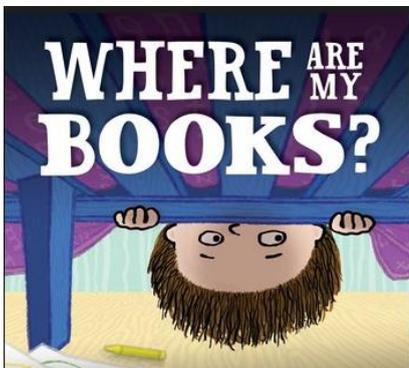
Congratulations to the following children who have impressed me with their wonderful work and attitudes since the start of term:

- Marley in Y2 for great explanations in maths
- Florence in YR for brilliant maths
- Alice in Y4 for writing great dialogue and showing a good attitude in reading comprehension
- Noah in 2M for amazing writing about Mrs Armitage
- Alfie H and Koby in 3H for amusing and sophisticated instructions on how to wash a woolly mammoth
- Lydia M in Y3 for practicing and moving up in her reading
- Arnie in Y5 for stretching himself with his grammar work.

Well done to them all!

Applications for Reception Places: Deadline 15th January

Just a reminder that the deadline for applications for children starting school must be made by 15th January. Please note that children in our nursery do NOT get an automatic place in Reception and an application must be made to Bristol city council - you can apply online at www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions. An information leaflet will be emailed with this newsletter.



Book Amnesty

We sent quite a few books home over the summer holidays that haven't come back into school. Please could you all have a hunt around at home and return any school reading books? You can give them in at the office or give them to your child's new teacher and we will get them back to the right place. Thank you for your help.

Cancelling lunches if your child is absent

If your child is absent from school, any lunches booked will not automatically be cancelled - please make sure you cancel any bookings on Parent Pay when you know your child is going to be off school.

Census Day 4th October

On 4th October, we submit the numbers of children in that day and receiving universal free school meals (Yr-2). This determines how much funding we get for the rest of the year - the more meals ordered, the better. Therefore, the menu on that day has been changed to the most popular dishes:

Main Meal: Roast Turkey
Halal Option: Roast Turkey
Vegetarian Option: Macaroni Cheese

Salad Bar and Jacket Potatoes will remain an option.

We will order a meal for all KS1 children who are in school to have a try, so if they are not sure they will like it, they can bring a packed lunch as well. We will not force anyone to eat anything they don't want to, of course.

Please make sure you do everything possible to ensure children are in school on this day. Thank you for your support.

Sports Update



South Bristol Girls' Tag Rugby Champions

Our incredible Year 5 girls took part in the South Bristol Tag Rugby League recently.

They remained undefeated throughout the competition and gained the gold medals after a tough final vs St Peters. Huge congratulations to the eleven girls who took part and performed at a really high level in soggy conditions!



Cross Country - Team Gold

On Wednesday 19th September, children from Y3-6 took part in the South Bristol Cross Country event at Ashton Park School.

Along with Team Gold for our Year 5&6s, there were some amazing individual performances. Reece (Y6) finished as the second fastest boy overall with an unbelievable run and Millie (Y6) finished 4th in her race.

Every one of our children showed huge resilience in the gusty and wet conditions and for them all to finish with such great results is testament to their ability and determination.

National Fitness Day

The whole school was bursting with energy on 26th September - Thanks to Mr Butler and Mr Longden for organising so many activities and spurring everyone on. We had:

- Extra mile run at 8.30am
- Whole school exercise at 10am
- Mass skipping/hula/limbo session at break
- House relays
- Kids' Bleep Test



Thank you for your support on the day - we raised £102.50 to go towards purchasing our own defibrillator.

Creating Internet Legends

Welcome to the first in a fortnightly series of news and articles to help you and your children stay safe online and to really get the most out of the technology available to them (and you) out there. Items will vary from think pieces about the role of information technology in our lives to helpful tips to ensure that we all have a positive experience when we're online.



This week, I've found an interesting article about how you can successfully establish a few basic ground rules about the use of technology in order to maintain tech harmony at home. It's quite a long read but full of useful tips. Alternatively, why not just click on the relevant link at the top of the article to find which bits apply to your own particular online situation?

<http://bit.ly/kidstechlimits>

Mr Braithwaite
Computing and E-safety Lead



Writers' Tea Party

Well done to all our star writers this week:

Y1H	Emma	For a great sentence about 'The Snail and the Whale' with perfect punctuation and excellent spelling
Y2S	Mia	For a 'Mrs Armitage' character description with adjectives, expanded noun phrases and complex sentences
Y2M	Sofia	For a 'Mrs Armitage' description with extended sentences; adjectives and prepositional phrases
Y3H	Ava	For an amusing set of instructions on how to make a woolly mammoth beautiful, including lists with commas; adjectives and adverbs and extended sentences
Y3C	Romeo	For a very well-structured set of instructions on how to wash a woolly mammoth
Y4T	Daisy	For a brilliant story ending including extended sentences; adverbs and different openers
Y4P	Elsie	For describing a setting with beautiful emotive language and complex sentences
Y5B	Mya	For an information report on the Ancient Greeks with lots of detail and complex descriptions
Y5G	Maisie	For a well-constructed persuasive letter with sophisticated style and extended sentences
Y6T	Ellis	For a diary entry with great sentences and sophisticated vocabulary
Y6C	Caitlin	For a story extract with great vocabulary and different sentence openers

Explosive Literacy in Y3

Well done to 3H who had an exciting time preparing their writing this week. In their drafts last week they were referring to the colour blue as a scent so over the weekend, Miss Harvey managed to convince Lush to give her some bath bombs for the children to explore. It certainly livened up the writing preparation and the children loved it!



Update from Friends of Headley Park

Christmas Eve Bags

These are £4 each and you can order up to 8 per child on Parent Pay. These will be ready for collection on Wednesday 12th December. This will be straight from school in the small hall where mince pies and hot drinks will be available to purchase.



The bags will include:

- 1 x Hot Chocolate Cone
- 1 Bag of Reindeer Food
- 1 candy cane
- 1 Christmas book



Facebook Page

Join the Friends of HP and keep up to date with all the news by joining our new Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/677240149311652/>. This will be updated with news and events, which will also be communicated via the school email and text service if you're not on Facebook.

Our main aim is to run community and fun events to help raise money for **PROJECT PLAYGROUND** - to refurbish the playground with lots more exciting and safe equipment. Mrs. Hunter has been putting her mind to some designs and will be working with children for their ideas too. Some initial ideas include climbing areas, sand pits, outside reading area, building and construction area and an Astro Football pitch.



Our first set of events will be Christmas focussed and include film nights; selling mince pies and hot chocolates at school events; christmas gift boxes; christmas jumper day and Christmas cards. See our separate newsletter (emailed via school) for further details.

If you would like more information or would like to get involved in helping, please us know on Facebook or by contacting one of us. Thank you for your support.

Tasha Buckland-Smith and Hannah Knight.

Free School Meals / Pupil Premium - Have you applied?

To ensure that we are given funding to support your child it is important that you register for free school meals in order to qualify for Pupil Premium.

Although from Reception to Year 2 all school meals are free, to receive Pupil Premium you need to officially apply and the payment will then stay with your child throughout their time at Headley Park. Please use the link on our website to apply or contact the office who can do a quick check for you.

If your financial circumstances change, even for a short time, you may become eligible for free school meals and pupil premium - so it is always worth checking!

Key Dates Terms 1&2 18/19

TERM 1:

Thurs 4 th Oct:	Y5/6 Football tournament (no tag rugby club)
Mon 8 th Oct:	Y3 Trip to Avebury
Tues 9 th Oct:	Y6 Boys' football v Ilminster (home)
Wed 10 th Oct:	Y5 Greek Workshop
Thurs 11 th Oct:	Y5 Harvest Assemblies
Thurs 11 th Oct:	Y6 Run, bike, shoot @ SPPS
Fri 12 th Oct:	Maths Champions
Thurs 18 th Oct:	Big Draw
Thurs 18 th Oct:	Y5 swimming gala
Wed 17 th Oct:	School Photos (individual)
Wed 17 th Oct:	2pm 4T and 4P open classrooms
Thurs 18 th Oct:	Y5 Swimming gala
Fri 19 th Oct:	2pm 3H, 3C, 5G, 5B open classrooms
Tues 23 rd Oct:	2pm N1 open classroom
Wed 24 th Oct:	2pm 1H, 1B open classrooms
Thurs 25 th Oct:	2pm 2M, 2S open classrooms
Fri 26 th Oct:	2pm N2, RB, RBM, 6C, 6T open classrooms
Fri 26 th Oct:	Star Readers' Trip

TERM 2:

Mon 5 th Nov:	INSET Day - school closed to children
Thurs 15 th Nov:	Purple Learners' Trip - Tropicana Ice Skating
Fri 16 th Nov:	Writers' Tea Party
Wed 21 st Nov:	Open afternoon for prospective YR (2019)
Fri 30 th Nov:	Maths Champions
Thurs 6 th Dec:	Bristol Old Vic Nativity performed to YR-3 (in school)
Fri 7 th Dec:	Friends of HPPS - Christmas gift box sale (order on ParentPay)
Wed 12 th Dec:	Rocksteady performances to parents
Wed 12 th Dec:	Friends of HPPS Christmas goodies sale (order on ParentPay)
Fri 14 th Dec:	Y1/2 Christmas Performance to parents
Fri 14 th Dec:	Star Readers' treat
Fri 14 th Dec:	Nursery and Y6 open classrooms 2pm
Mon 17 th Dec:	Y3 Open classrooms 2pm
Tues 18 th Dec:	2pm Open Classrooms N1; 4T; 4P; RB; RBM
Wed 19 th Dec:	Y1 open classrooms 2pm
Thurs 20 th Dec:	Y2 open classrooms 2pm
Thurs 20 th Dec:	Christmas Jumper Day
(Thurs 20 th Dec:	Christmas lunch)?? Date tbc
Fri 21 st Dec:	Governors' Assemblies
Fri 21 st Dec:	END OF TERM 2

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