

HEYTESBURY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
9th November 2018



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to term 2.

I'm sure you would agree that our Remembrance Service this morning was very touching. Badgers did themselves proud marching into church accompanied by Corporal Dunt from The Royal Welsh Regiment and Sergeant Baker from The Mercian Regiment. The sharing of the 'the stories' of the Heytesbury soldiers who lost their lives in WW1 was very touching – bringing alive those who were lost. Despite the rain, the laying of the wreath at the war memorial by the youngest and the oldest children in the school was a poignant moment – perhaps the downpour was a gentle reminder of what the soldiers in the WW1

trenches had to live through on a regular basis. It was wonderful that so many of you, as well as members of the local community, were able to join us for this tribute to the fallen.

Before our service, we planted two beech trees on the school field; each school in Acorn Trust has planted trees in memory of soldiers who have given their lives for others.



In the summer we applied to the 'Soldiers' Covenant Fund' to obtain some perspex figures to represent those who 'are there but not there'. We were fortunate enough to be awarded five silhouettes - we hope you spotted these tributes in the High Street.



On Tuesday, Flying Saucers Pottery came to visit. Every child and adult in school, as well as the children and adults in Hedgehogs, made a hand print onto a tile. These will be fired then made into one large picture to represent our whole school community.

For the last 2 days of term 1 we had an art focus. On day one, each class made a pennant towards a class bunting – this involved designing, choosing appropriate materials, cutting and sticking, and for Badgers Class, sewing. Thank you to Mrs Bennett for machine sewing the pennants together. On day two, each class learned about a different artist: Otters – Claude Monet; Foxes – Andy Warhol; Badgers – Pablo Picasso. Do have a look at the work produced

which is currently on display in the main corridor.



Next Friday, 16th November, we will be participating in fundraising for 'Children in Need'. Please can your child wear something spotty to school and bring a contribution for a 'Bring and Buy Sale'. Suggestions for contributions:

- Unwanted children's books, toys, dvds (in good condition please)
- Homemade cakes or biscuits
- Homemade crafts eg cards, bead necklaces

There are some other ideas on this website: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/bp-children-in-need-bring-and-buy-sales>. All items will be sold for 'pocket money' prices and will begin at 3.00pm.

**** There will be no Celebration Worship next week, 16th November ****

It has come to our attention that 'Alexa' - the internet linked personal assistant that some of you may have at home - can, on occasions, misunderstand what the children have asked it to do or misunderstand which song they have asked it to play and consequently are having access to some quite inappropriate material. Within our school approach to safeguarding, we feel it is important that we make you aware of this and ask that you either supervise your children whilst they have access to 'Alexa' or that you talk to your child about what to do if some inappropriate songs are played. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend (though the weather forecast is not that great!)

Kind regards,

Mrs Godfrey & Team

This term's Christian value: Compassion

"Instead of putting others in their place, put yourself in their place." Amish Proverb



Great news! We are now **running our own breakfast club** 8.00am – 8.45am (rather than PH Sport running it). Mrs Lock will ensure the children have some cereal and/or a piece of toast, and will then carry out some activities with the children until its time for class eg board games, use of the PE equipment, drawing, painting etc. This week, the children learned how to sew and made poppies; they are now having a go at knitting. If you would like to use the breakfast club, until Wisepay is set up, please email Mrs Godfrey by Friday lunchtime the week before you need it so she can ensure Mrs Lock is there. The cost will be £3 per morning and we will send you an invoice for payment (until Wisepay is ready).



Even better news...from January, we will be running **after school childcare provision, 3.15 – 5.15**. The children will have something to eat eg a toasted sandwich, fresh sandwiches, a sausage roll, fruit and then take part in some activities eg craft, using the gym or PE equipment, cooking, painting, drawing etc. This will cost £8 for the two hours. This will be set up on Wisepay in December, though we would need to know pupil numbers as soon as possible so we can begin to advertise for a club leader. Please email the office to say which days you would regularly like to use the club or if you would use the club on 'odd days'. Thank you.

School Photos

We have arranged for David McGirr photography to come to school on Tuesday 13th November to take individual and sibling photographs. If you would like your pre-school child to be in the photo, please come to the school hall at 9.00am.

CHRISTMAS BOX APPEAL

There is still time to fill up a shoe box – empty boxes are in reception.

Deadline to return filled boxes to school is

16th November.

REMINDER ABOUT SCHOOL LUNCHES

Cut-off point for school lunches is 12 noon on Wednesday for the following week's order; please ensure you order in plenty of time. Please order through Wisepay if possible.

THIS WEEKS ACHIEVEMENTS

DIAMOND

Jemima

SAPPHIRE

EMERALD

Sam L
Amund
Lilly
Katee
Tallulah

RUBY

DIAMOND = SOLVING PROBLEMS

SAPPHIRE = KEEPING FOCUS MONSTER DISTRACTION

EMERALD = RESILIENCE/PERSEVERANCE

RUBY = SUPPORTING OTHERS

Maths Passports

South America – Brazil: Emily G

Africa - Kenya: Verity K

Australasia – New Zealand: Evie B

Africa – Madagascar: Tom McE

Africa – South Africa Ashton C, Charlie K

Asia – China: Sam M

Australasia - New Zealand: Myah

Australasia – Papua New Guinea: Evie C

SCHOOL DIARY — TERM 2

November

- Tuesday 13th School Photos
- Friday 16th Children in Need Day
- Tuesday 20th Pre-school music group 2.00 – 3.00
- Wednesday 21st Open New for September 19 intake
- Friday 30th Y3 & 4 Hockey Festival 10am-12noon
- Mon 26th Whole school assessment week
- Tues 27th Mufti Day – bottles
- Thurs 29th Christmas tree light switch on - @The 'The Angel Inn' 6.00pm for 6.15pm

December

- Saturday 1st Christmas Fair 10-2pm
- Monday 10th Acorn Trust Netball Tournament
- Tuesday 18th Christingle 6pm
- Wednesday 19th Christmas Lunch – please order on Wisepay
- Wednesday 19th Class parties
- Friday 21st Badgers class cake sale after school
- Friday 21st Carols round the tree 2.00 pm
- Friday 21st **Term ends 2.30pm**

Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 1st December 10-2pm. All money made will go to the school to help buy books and equipment needed for the children. Helpers on the day will be needed to man the stalls. Donations of prizes for the raffle and tombola gifts for children and adults will be gratefully received. Thank you.



Bluebell
Sam M
Katee B

Learning Corner

Badgers:

We have begun to read the book 'One Boy's War' – we are learning information about WW1 from the pictures as well as from the actual story. In art, we created 'silhouette paintings'. They are on display in the church at present – do have a look at them there, or come and see them in school in a week or so.

In maths, Year 6 have been showing (very impressively!) how well they have remembered the work on ratio and proportion from last term. They have just begun a new topic - algebra - and have used formulae to work out the area of 2D shapes. Y5 continue to work on decimals and fractions, and this week, have been writing decimal equivalents of 10ths 100th and 1000ths.

Foxes:

This week, Foxes have been learning about WW1 and the significance of Remembrance Day. The children have learned about why we wear poppies and have made poppies in different ways including sewing, collage and paint. In English we have been writing acrostic poems and have produced an acrostic poem for the word REMEMBER. In Maths year 2 have been looking at using a number line to add while year 3 have learnt how to use expanded column addition.

Otters:

We began the new term with two days learning about the history behind bonfire night. We made Guy Fawkes and escorted him to the lock-up in the village. We also made guard costumes which may be worn at the Heytesbury Bonfire. At the end of the week our focus changed to "Remembrance" . We started to read the book "Where the Poppies Now Grow" and discuss new vocabulary.